

October 20, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, October 20, 2014, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Larry Miller, Dave Tiffan, and James Aikman. Trustee JD Kuhns was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The following meeting minutes were approved as presented

- September 15, 2014, Executive Session
- October 6, 2014, regular meeting
- October 6, 2014, Executive Session – 2 sessions
- October 9, 2014, Police Committee

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius read a statement regarding some of the employees filing a petition to unionize with the IBEW Local 51.

Trustees' Reports

- D. Tiffan stated Sherry Stewart will be here Thursday morning to review insurance.
- T. Clark reminded everyone of the work at the Pumpkin House. He appreciated everyone's work during the BBQ Festival.

Treasurer's Report

- Village Comptroller Erica Carter stated she appreciated attending last week's conference.
- The Community Room and hallway have been painted.
- She commented on the financial documents.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Grant Corum reported to the Board about his activities – festivals, consulting work, an outlet that had caught on fire, the light for the flag outside the Community Building, making maps for festivals, and mapping snow plow routes.
- K. Good reported on a drainage problem for a house in Meadowview.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman stated they are still addressing ordinance violations. He reported on a lot that the Village had mowed; the owner was billed (the property is in foreclosure), and a check has been received.
- He reported on the railroad crossing and the detours.

Village Attorney's Report – None

New Business

- B. Crossman reported on the Zoning Board meeting regarding a variance for a 10' x 5' sign for 520 West Palmer St. The request was approved at that meeting. J. Aikman made a motion to approve the variance request for 520 West Palmer. K Good seconded. The Ordinance number will be 10-20A-14. All Trustees voted YEA.

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Travis Kuhns, Kelly Lockhart, Luke Phelps, Matt Reed, and Noah (from Coles County Regional Planning).

Kelly Lockhart and Noah made a presentation regarding the mapping project. They can put a link from the Village site with password protection. They can also put the zoning map online.

Luke Phelps made a presentation regarding health insurance costs. President Bernius asked the HR Committee to review this information.

Old Business – None

New Business

- G. Corum reviewed information regarding the purchase of a salt spreader. With approval from J. Kuhns and L. Miller, he ordered it last week. It's installed, but he may need to take it somewhere to get the electrical hooked up and may need a bigger battery and / or alternator for the truck. L. Miller made a motion to approve the purchase of the salt spreader. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. It's on the 1-ton Street and Alley truck.
- President Bernius tabled Public Works recommendations.
- L. Miller presented information from the First Baptist Church wanting to do a Trunk or Treat on Hickory Street. L. Miller made a motion to close Hickory Street between Illinois and Park Streets on October 31. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Goodman reviewed the Police Committee meeting and the starting salary tool for part-time officers. It will be applied to all part-time officers, three current officers and one to be hired tonight. T. Clark made a motion to adopt the part-time pay schedule as presented. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Goodman introduced Matt Reed as a potential part-time police officer. He reviewed M. Reed's background and qualifications. L. Miller made a motion to hire Matt Reed as a part-time police officer at a rate of \$13.40; J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- K. Good made a motion to Executive Session. J. Aikman seconded. This Executive Session was regarding personnel 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1). The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or for legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. The Executive Session was also regarding discussion on collective bargaining unit 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2). Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, L. Miller, D. Tiffan, and J. Aikman.
- No action was taken.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$43,806.23. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

K. Good stated she was impressed with the mapping. President Bernius stated it will help on projects.

Adjourn

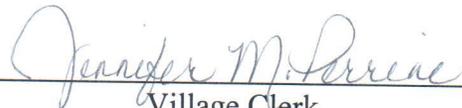
President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 9:05pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

November 3, 2014