

December 16, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, December 16, 2019, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Christy Miller, Jenni Marner, and Paul Pearce. Trustee Matt Bernius was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall asked Trustee Pearce to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

- Visitors present were Kenney Davenport and Roger R. Nuxoll. Kenney Davenport from Eastern Illini Cooperative presented a check for \$577.00, which is the Village of Arthur's share of the profits from 1992-1993. Mr. Davenport commended Arthur and its downtown area.

Consent Agenda

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the December 2, 2019 Board of Trustees Work Session minutes; the December 2, 2019 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting minutes; the December 10, 2019 HR Committee Meeting minutes; and the December 10, 2019 HR Committee Executive Session minutes. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

- P. Pearce made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$204,065.96, pending validation of check 49474 to insure it is not a duplicate. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall had no report.

Trustees' Reports

- J. Marner and C. Miller thanked Public Works for the recent snow removal. C. Miller reported that Simply Arthur will host an After Hours event at ALAH High School for a tour of the facility. The tour will take place December 17, 2019 at 4:30pm.

Chief of Police Report

- Police Chief Goodman reported that the DARE program at Arthur Grade School and Atwood Hammond Grade School will begin in February.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Grant Corum was absent but provided a report from the Public Works department.

Comptroller's Report

- Erica Carter provided the Treasurer's Report for November. She reported on income highlights, expense notations, a checkbook summary, and balance sheets.

Village Attorney's Report

- Kenny Crossman no report.
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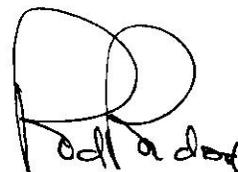
2. J. Ray thanked Police Chief Goodman for his continuing work to build a successful Police force. J. Ray made a motion to hire Matthew Soria as a full-time Police Officer for the Village, with pay beginning at \$16.00 per hour. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. J. Ray reported that a discussion took place at an HR meeting regarding the revision of the Village of Arthur Personnel Policy to allow for the compensation of Medicare related-expenses for employees who are Medicare eligible. The Board discussed Medicare coverage. P. Pearce made a motion to postpone action on the revision until the March 1, 2020 Board meeting. J. Ray seconded. Trustees Ray, Miller, Marner, and Pearce voted YEA. Trustee Hilgenberg voted No. Motion carried.
4. J. Ray made a motion to grant Storm Smith extended medical leave per the Village Personnel Policy. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. Kenny Crossman provided the Board with maps and details regarding land to be annexed by the Village. President Randall reported that Mike Niehaus is working through a federal program to develop the land, which is between Rhema Drive and Dogwood Drive. J. Ray made a motion to approve Ordinance 12-16A-2019: An Ordinance to Annex Land to the Village of Arthur, Moultrie & Douglas Counties, State of Illinois. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. Kenny Crossman reported on changes needed to the Village Code so it aligns with the State of Illinois' regulations on cannabis. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve Ordinance 12-16B-2019: An Ordinance Amending to Village Code of Arthur Illinois (2015) to address changes in the regulation of Cannabis. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve forming a Complete Count Committee for the Decennial 2020 Census. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
8. P. Pearce made a motion to approve Blondie's Bar request to extend operating hours until 2:00 AM for a private party on New Year's Eve. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
9. P. Pearce made a motion to enter Executive Session for compensation considerations for a Village employee. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to reopen the meeting. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. Trustees present were Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Christy Miller, Jenni Marner, and Paul Pearce.

Justin Ray made a motion to increase Mike Elsberry's hourly rate from \$22.92 to \$25.00 per hour effective Jan. 1, 2020. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

General Discussion

- Paul Pearce informed the Board that he is resigning as Village Trustee. Paul stated that he is no longer qualified to serve due to his change of address. He thanked the Board for all of their hard work and wished them the very best. President Randall thanked Paul for providing the people of Arthur with positive and effective leadership. President Randall said Paul inspired trust in our local government and always praised the efforts of others. He appreciated Paul's forward thinking on Village issues, and Paul will be missed as a member of the Board and as a citizen of Arthur. President Randall presented a plaque to Trustee Pearce and wished him the

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Pearce". The signature is stylized with large, overlapping loops for the letters "P" and "P".

ATTEST Rhonda Rhodes
Village Clerk

DATE 1/6/20