

September 21, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, September 21, 2020, in the Arthur Community Building. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Christy Miller, Dave Tiffan, and Jenni Marner. Trustee Matt Bernius was absent.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

- President Randall asked Police Chief Mike Goodman to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

- Visitors present were Meggann Bell, Jeff Boyer, Marsha Boyer, Shaun Meredith, Mike Niehaus, and Roger Nuxoll

#### **Consent Agenda**

- J. Ray made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the September 8, 2020 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes; the September 10, 2020 Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes; and the September 10, 2020 Board of Trustees Executive Session Minutes. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$25,618.06. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Village President Comments and Announcements**

- President Randall reported that Kenny Crossman looked into the requirements for wearing masks during public meetings. Social distancing must be maintained at meetings, but wearing masks will continue to be a personal preference.
- The Village of Arthur lost its first resident to COVID-19. George Lawyer will be missed, and condolences go out to his family.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- J. Marner reported that the Arthur Foundation continues to meet quarterly. A donation was made by the Foundation to support the new Arthur sign going up on Route 36. Trustee Marner noted that the Foundation continues to look for ways to meet needs in the community. President Randall echoed that the Timm Trust is another organization that seeks ways to support needs in the community.
- C. Miller reported that the Park Board is meeting to discuss how to plan for Halloween this year.

#### **Chief of Police Report**

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. Chief Goodman worked with Shaun Meredith to provide a K9 Deployment report, which was discussed. Also, the new speed sign is up and running on Prairie Street. The current K9 Unit vehicle is scheduled to be stripped of its K9 equipment. The new K9 unit is scheduled to be up-fitted soon. Sergeant Meredith is working to get the Preliminary Breath Test certified and ready for use.

#### **Public Works Supervisor's Report**

- Grant Corum provided reports from the Public Works Department. Grant detailed the work done on the water lines under the Welcome Center parking lot.

#### **Comptroller's Report**

- Erica Carter was absent but provided the Treasurer's Report.

#### **Village Attorney's Report**

- Attorney Kenny Crossman had no report.

## **Unfinished Business**

- none

## **New Business**

1. Mike Niehaus presented information to the Board regarding the Rhema Drive Extension housing project. The project he submitted last year, which consisted of 24 homes, did not score high enough for tax credits. A new plan will be submitted which adds eight homes and would be available for families as well as seniors. The new plan extends Rhema Drive farther to the east. He reported the property will be maintained by a management company, and Meggann Bell was in attendance from that company. Mr. Niehaus reported that a letter of support is needed from President Randall. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to provide the letter of support and approve the revisions to Rhema Drive Extension housing project. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. Roger Nuxoll reported on the sanitary sewer lining project, which is completely finished. Discussion took place on the extra lining that was needed. The manhole lining is still in progress. J. Marner made a motion to approve Change Order #8 for the sanitary sewer lining project in the amount of \$40,576.93. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. C. Miller made a motion to approve Loan Disbursement #12 from the IEPA for the sanitary sewer lining project in the amount of \$107,155.56. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
4. Grant Corum reported on his meetings with Coach House Garages and provided a building contract and quote detailing all the materials and labor. Grant noted that everything in the contract is local product. J. Ray made a motion to approve a building contract with Coach House Garages for the new WWTP building in the amount of \$119,470.19. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. Kenny Crossman provided information and documents regarding boundary modifications to the Douglas County Enterprise Zone. Discussion took place on the modifications. C. Miller made a motion to approve Ordinance 09-21A-2020: An Ordinance Authorizing the Addition of Champaign County as a Designating Unit of Government and Related Boundary Modifications to the Area Known as the Douglas County Enterprise Zone. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. C. Miller made a motion to approve the amended Douglas County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. Chief Goodman provided details about the 2013 Ford Police Interceptor. Discussion took place about the sale and trade-in value of the vehicle. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve Ordinance 09-21B-2020: An Ordinance Declaring a 2013 Ford Police Interceptor with VIN # 1FM5K8AR4DGC01596 as Excess Property and authorizing the Chief of Police to dispose of said property with or without public notice. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
8. President Randall submitted a Memorial Street Sign request to honor Hewitt G. Hafer. The sign would be located on the corner of South Pine and Routh 133. J. Ray made a motion to approve the Memorial Sign Application for Hewitt G. Hafer. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

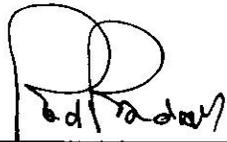
## **General Discussion**

- President Randall reported that the final date for the Census was moved to September 30, 2020. As of September 15 only 63% of Americans have registered for the Census. As a State, Illinois has 75% registered. This is an important event and needs to be promoted.
- C. Miller reported the Park Board decided to do Trunk-or-Treat from 5:00-7:00pm on October 31 at Eberhardt Park. This will be for walkers only. Downtown Trick-or-Treating will not take place.
- J. Marner thanked the Police Department for helping with the Bike Rodeo and the safety lessons they taught the kids.

## **Adjourn**

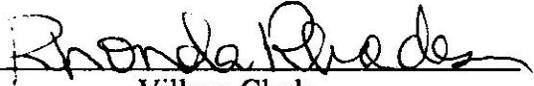
- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to adjourn. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:53pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

10/5/20