

September 16, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, September 16, 2024, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Isai Gutierrez, Jim Fleming, and Christy Miller. Trustees Mike Hilgenberg and Dave Tiffan were absent.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

#### **Public Comment**

- There were no visitors present.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- C. Miller made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the September 3, 2024 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes and the August 2024 Leak Adjustment Report. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Bernius made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$21,605.44. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall thanked MasterBrand Cabinets for providing two oak pantries to store supplies in at the Municipal Building.
- President Randall noted the dilemma of not having a business selling cheese during the cheese festival. The Arthur Association of Commerce purchased cheese to sell to the public during the festival this year.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- C. Miller noted the positive comments she heard about the Village clean-up day. She thanked Grant Corum, the Public Works Department, and the Young Marines for the hard work they did to make this a successful event.

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

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department.

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

- Grant Corum provided reports from the Public Works department. He noted that Earl Walker completed the 2024 chip and oil work.
- Grant reported that clean-up day was busy, with seven 20-yard dumpsters packed full.
- Grant received a resignation letter from Derek Rhodes who has accepted a position in the water department in Nashville, Tennessee.

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

- Village Comptroller Erica Carter provided the Treasurer's Report. She provided details on accounts, income, and expenses.

#### **Village Attorney Report**

- Village Attorney Kenny Crossman noted that the Ordinances posted online need to be checked and updated if they are not current.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- Erica Carter contacted the Village's website provider to discuss getting email accounts through them. However, what they offered did not include many needed features, and the price was comparable to the current charge for email. Grant Corum noted the Public Work employees need Village email for communication and apps, including the GIS app. The Police Department also requested an additional email account. J. Fleming made a motion to provide email accounts for Village employees or Departments. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

**New Business**

1. Police Sergeant Elliott Tinnon provided details about one squad car that has a no-longer functioning camera system. He met with a technology representative to discuss options and costs. The cost of the requested system includes installation. The initial payment would be \$955.00, with the balance being paid over a four-year period. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the purchase of a Motorola M500 In-Car Video Camera System for the Arthur Police Department in the amount of \$10,795.00. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. M. Bernius made a motion to postpone action on purchasing a Quicket Municipal Enforcement Package for the Arthur Police Department in the amount of \$3,600.00 annually. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. Sergeant Elliott Tinnon provided details about the eCitation program that Douglas County is changing to. Citations will no longer need to be mailed in, and communication will be improved. The Circuit Clerk’s office is paying for this software, and the Village cost will be for equipment. J. Fleming made a motion to approve the purchase of four (4) Zebra ZQ 521 Thermal Printers for the Arthur Police Department in the amount of \$3,985.00. I. Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
4. C. Miller made a motion to approve pay request #5 from Burdick Plumbing & Heating for the Clarifier Rehab Project in the amount of \$15,264.94. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. Grant Corum provided details about a Public Works truck that will be replaced and transferred to the Police Department. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the purchase of a new 2023 Ford F150 Crew Cab pickup truck on Illinois State Bid from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$46,970.00. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. Grant Corum provided details about replacing a 2006 Ford pickup truck. C. Miller made a motion to approve the purchase of a new 2023 Ford F150 Regular Cab pickup truck on Illinois State Bid from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$40,768.00. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. J. Fleming made a motion to authorize the advertisement of the Public Works Department’s open full-time position. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
8. Erica Carter reported that the annual Trunk-or-Treat at the park will be held on Saturday, October 26 from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm. I. Gutierrez made a motion to set Halloween 2024 trick-or-treating hours on October 26 from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
9. Discussion took place on allowing retiring Chief of Police, Mike Goodman, to retain his mobile phone and number. Erica Carter noted that he would be responsible for costs and maintenance of that line. C. Miller made a motion to allow retiring Chief of Police, Mike Goodman, to retain his mobile phone and number. I. Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

**General Discussion**

- C. Miller noted that homecoming for ALAH high school will be September 27-28.

**Adjourn**

- C. Miller made a motion to adjourn. I. Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:48 pm.

APPROVED

Village President

ATTEST

Village Clerk

DATE 10-7-24