

September 15, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Arthur, Illinois was held on Monday, September 15, 2025, 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, Mike Hilgenberg, Isai Gutierrez, Kurt Hall, Lamar Miller and Christy Bernius. Also present was Police Chief Elliott Tinnon, Grant Corum, Comptroller Erica Carter, Village Attorney Kenneth Crossman, Angie Parsons and Ariana Cherry.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

- President Randall asked Lamar Miller to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

- None.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- M Bernius made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including:
  1. Approval of September 2, 2025 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes.
  2. Approval of September 8, 2025 Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes.
  3. Approval of September 8, 2025 Board of Trustees Executive Session Minutes.
- L Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M Hilgenberg reviewed the monthly expenditures. M Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$66,445.59. I Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Reports**

- Village President – Rod Randall – Thanked public works and their employees who were out in the hot weather for the Town Wide Cleanup day.
- Police – President Rod Randall reported that the new squad car is all striped and in the parking lot.
- Public Works – Grant Corum – Reviewed the Public Works Activity Log. Noted the recent water main break and the two aerators that are broken down as well. The Town Wide Cleanup seemed to have a good turnout. Filled 6 dumpsters full.
- Comptroller – Erica Carter – Reviewed the Treasurer’s Report as of the end of August 2025.
- Simply Arthur – Angie Parsons – Simply Arthur is up to 52 investors currently. Noted that in July and August she had an additional 79 people sign up from out of town for their newsletter. Simply Arthur is working with the AAOC and the Village on a Christmas push currently. She attended the Farm Progress Show and was at the Charleston Lincoln Douglas Debate Museum as well. She also noted a couple of other opportunities she has participated in spreading the word around about the Village of Arthur.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- Discussion and action on a TIF Façade Grant request for the property at 107 South Vine Street, Arthur, IL in the amount of \$2,188.50. Clayton Herschberger presented his request stating the need for the funds to complete the repairs. C Bernius made a motion to approve the TIF Façade Grant request as proposed. K Hall seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **New Business**

- Discussion and action on a Local Tourism Grant Request by Simply Arthur in the amount of \$2,155.00. C Miller made a motion to approve the Local Tourism Grant Request as proposed. L Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Discussion and action on a Temporary Sign Application by the Illinois Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) for an event on October 23-25, 2025. Trustee Lamar Miller presented the need for the application noting that he was the one requesting the temporary sign. M Bernius made a motion to approve the Temporary Sign as proposed. M Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA, L Miller abstaining.
- Discussion and action on a proposal from Prime Solution for the addition of a conveyor for the sludge press at the Waste Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$13,844.40. Grant Corum explained the need for the addition of the conveyor. M Hilgenberg made a motion to approve going forward with the proposal from Prime Solution as proposed. M Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Discussion and action on a proposal from Herschberger Concrete for the 100 block of Surrey Lane concrete replacement in the amount of \$16,460.00. Grant Corum explained the need for the

replacement of the concrete. K Hall made a motion to approve the proposal from Herschberger Concrete as proposed. M Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- Discussion and action on a proposal from J.C. Oye for replacing 110' of clay sewer main on the 800 block of Lincoln Place in the amount of \$9,873.00. Grant Corum explained the need for the replacement of the sewer main. M Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the proposal from J.C. Oye as proposed. L Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Discussion and action on a proposal from Countryside Flooring to provide material to replace the flooring in the Community Room and adjacent kitchen, hallway, bathrooms and front entrance of the municipal office of the Community Building in the amount of \$19,457.87. Rod Randall displayed examples for the Trustees to approve for the flooring replacement. Mike Hilgenberg asked if we had obtained more than one quote for the material. It was noted that there was not more than one quote obtained for the flooring. Discussion regarding the need to replace the flooring. M Bernius noted that the Community Building is in a TIF District and the remodeling would benefit the community. M Bernius made a motion to approve the proposal from Countryside Flooring as proposed. K Hall seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Discussion and action on a proposal from Helmwood Construction, Inc. for the removal of old flooring in the Community Room and adjacent kitchen, hallway, bathrooms and front entrance of the municipal office of the Community Building, and installation of new flooring in the amount of \$18,770.00. Discussion on which needs completed first, painting or the floor replacement. Discussed the need to coordinate between contractors. C Miller made a motion to approve the proposal from Helmwood Construction, Inc. as proposed. L Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Discussion and action on revisions to the Arthur Community Center Fee Schedule. Discussion on options as far as changes to make. M Bernius made the motion to postpone updating the fee schedule until the next meeting. M Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### General Discussion

- There has been a bid on lot 20 in the Meadowview Subdivision on Beech Street of \$23,000. The bidder would like to know if the offer sounds reasonable and if we can bring this up at the next meeting. The general consensus was in the affirmative.
- K Hall asked if the siding on the west side of the Village office was going to be replaced where it was missing. Kurt wondered if we could use vinyl from the back of the building to repair the missing siding. There was a concern about the siding not matching due to sun bleaching over time.
- M Bernius noted that there has been a van parked at the 4-way stop on Sunday afternoons advertising that they are available for taxi service.

#### Adjourn

- L Miller made a motion to adjourn. K Hall seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:58 pm.

APPROVED

Village President

ATTEST

Village Clerk

DATE

10/6/25