

March 2, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Arthur, Illinois was held on Monday, March 2, 2026, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Oath of Office

- Village Clerk Amy Strong administered the Oath of Office for Trustee Jim Fleming.

Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Jim Fleming, Isai Guterriez, Kurt Hall, Lamar Miller and Christy Bernius. Also present were Village Attorney Kenneth Crossman, Ariana Cherry, Karen Good, Marsha Bowyer and John Stewart.

Pledge of Allegiance

- President Randall asked Jim Fleming to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

- John Stewart thanked the Village for their support in the past for the Rotary Fireworks program. He stated that this year should be bigger than usual with the America 250 celebration this year. There will be a new soundtrack to go along with this year's fireworks. Larry Schlabach has found some American made fireworks for the show including 3 – 12" shells. Captain Rat & the Blind Rivets will be performing again this year and hopefully the skydivers will be available this year again as well. They are working with the school, and with the construction progress, Rotary will not be able to use the school parking like they have in the past. Parking may be an issue and suggestions are welcome. Discussion regarding options that may be available.

Approval of Minutes

- C Bernius made a motion to approve the February 16, 2026, Village Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes. I Guterriez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

- K Hall reviewed the monthly expenditures. Kurt noted the larger invoices for the Community Building expenses. K Hall made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$61,418.95. J Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Reports

- Village President – Rod Randall – Rod gave an update on grants being applied for and in process. He mentioned that Grant and Erica were working today on a Federal grant for a Meadowview infrastructure grant. It is due this week and could fund 75% of the project. The Safe Sidewalk Grant is still pending. There is also another grant out to do some development and signage in the lot next to the barber shop. Rod also received the paperwork this week to sign off on a state grant for \$25,000 for the sludge press.
- Trustee – J Fleming noted how nice the Community Room looks after attending a meeting there recently.
- Trustee – I Guterriez welcomed back Jim Fleming.
- Trustee - K Hall – Kurt noted that he would like to discuss a couple of intersections with Grant and Matt.
- Police – Chief Elliott Tinnon – Reviewed his monthly report. Noted that Leo is midway through training and carrying a mid B average and doing very well. Elliott has almost finished applying for the grant that will cover the first year of the Flock camera grant.
- Public Works – Rod Randall reviewed the report from Public Works briefly. Noted that Grant was meeting the Engineer with Farnsworth.

Unfinished Business

- None.

New Business

- Discussion and action on the purchase of four (4) refurbished mobile radar units for the Arthur Police Department from Municipal Electronics for a total amount of \$4,400.00. Chief Tinnon explained the need for the radar units. I Guterriez asked if the handheld radars will no longer be needed. Chief Tinnon noted that they will still be needed. I Guterriez made a motion to approve the purchase as presented. L Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Discussion and action on entering into a 10-year agreement with Axon for six (6) new Taser 10's for the Arthur Police Department at \$7,868.88 per year after an initial \$10,000 payment the first year. Chief Tinnon explained the \$10,000 is covered under the equipment budgeted for this fiscal year. By going with this package, when the newer model comes out, the department will receive the new model and training for that model. This will continue to be in the department's budget for the next 9 years. Matt Bernius noted that Police Department funding comes from the General Fund and it does not have its own fund. C Bernius made a motion to approve the purchase as presented. I Guterriez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- Discussion and action on entering into a 7-year agreement with Motorola for six (6) new N70 radios for the Arthur Police Department at \$7,819.23 per year after an initial \$10,000 payment the first year. Chief Tinnon explained that the initial payment is also covered for this the same as it is for the Tasers. These will not be replaced by updated models like the Tasers, but he is told that they are expected to last 10 years. There is an additional warranty, but it would cost more. Chief Tinnon will be getting that cost and will have it at the next meeting. He also explained how well the unit worked that they have been testing for the last 2 weeks as well. These radio's also have GPS and can send a location to dispatch if needed. M Bernius made a motion to approve the purchase as presented. K Hall noted the need to check into the warranty. Chief Tinnon stated that he would have that information for the next meeting. L Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

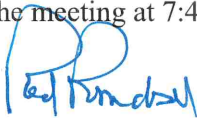
General Discussion

- None

Adjourn

- M Bernius made a motion to adjourn. I Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

APPROVED _____



Village President

ATTEST _____



Village Clerk

DATE Mar 16, 2026