

September 16, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, September 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 Matt Bernius, Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Christy Miller, and Jenni Marner. Trustee Paul Pearce was absent.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Randall asked Mike Hilgenberg to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

- George Fritz informed the Board of the street closings that will be requested for the CIBR-BBQ event that will be held on October 11 – 12, 2019. The Board will take action at the next meeting.
- Marty Schroeder explained that Wine on Vine recently closed. He thanked the Board and residents of Arthur for the support over the years.
- Stephanie Wierman gave an update for the AAAoC. The Cheese Festival was successful and well attended. She thanked Grant Corum, the Public Works Department, and the Police Department for all the work in making it a successful event. Upcoming community events include homecoming on September 27 – 28 and the BBQ competition in October. Also being planned are Christmas events and next year's calendar.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

- C. Miller made a motion to approve the Board of Trustee Meeting minutes of September 3, 2019. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$42,927.37. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall thanked Christy Miller for her work organizing the recent community tailgating event, which was well attended.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- M. Bernius reported that he toured an affordable senior living unit in Jacksonville. Trustee Bernius also met with Clarence Borntreger, Jeff Borntreger, and Jim Miller regarding an easement for sewer line extension on East Mill Street. Trustee Bernius also spoke with a representative from Penn Station regarding purchase of the balance of the railroad property.
- M. Hilgenberg thanked Simply Arthur and Christy Miller for the football tailgating event.
- C. Miller thanked Grant Corum and the Public Works Department for their help with the tailgating event. She also thanked M. Bernius and the Chamber of Commerce for their help, especially with cleanup. Another event is being planned for October.

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

- Police Chief Goodman had no report.

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

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

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

- Erica Carter was absent but provided a balance sheet and profit and loss report.

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

- Kenny Crossman reported that ordinance violation letters are going out. He will also be meeting with Clarence and Jeff Borntreger to map out the easement on East Mill Street.

## Unfinished Business

none

## New Business

1. President Randall reported on switching to a basic license for G-Suite, which would save money and still have the archival function. M. Bernius made a motion to approve switching to Onix Networking Corporation G-Suite Basic 12-month license term for fourteen users at an annual cost of \$1,008.00. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. Kenny Crossman provided information regarding the Illinois Municipal League's recommendation to pass a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax by September. Kenny explained the passing of this ordinance does not mean Cannabis is allowed in town. Kenny recommended an Open Hearing to see what the residents of Arthur want to do. A public meeting was scheduled for October 21, 2019 at 6:00pm. If the Village decides to prohibit Cannabis then no tax would be collected. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 09-16A-2019: An Ordinance amending the Village Code of Arthur, Illinois (2015) by the addition of Article III to Chapter 26: Imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailer's Occupation Tax. J. Ray seconded. Trustees Bernius, Hilgenberg, Ray, and Miller voted YEA. Trustee Marner voted NO. Motion passed.
3. President Randall reported that he met with Jeff Birch, Jim Crane, and several County Board members. Information was given to him about County Line Road south of Arthur. Moultrie County and Douglas County each take ten-year terms maintaining the road. The counties have been discussing improvements to the road, including widening it. The counties have funds for the project and will also apply for grants. They would like to get started with the preliminary planning and engineering. An agreement is needed to proceed with the planning. President Randall will recommend that J. Marner participate in the planning as a Village Board representative. M. Bernius made a motion to accept an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County Board of Douglas County, the County Board of Moultrie County, and the Village of Arthur to perform preliminary engineering services to determine an appropriate design and improvement of FAS666. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

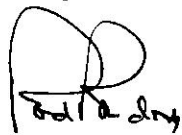
## General Discussion

C. Miller mentioned that Simply Arthur is hosting a program at Otto's Canvass September 17 from 5:00 – 6:30pm.

## Adjourn

M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:38pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE 10/7/19