

October 7, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, October 7, 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, Jenni Marner, and Paul Pearce.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Randall asked Brian Holt and Troop 74 to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

- Scoutmaster Brian Holt introduced three boy scouts who attended the meeting to earn their Citizenship Merit Badge. The scouts were Matthew Miller, Andrew Holt, and Brian Holt.
- John Stewart reported on the "Trunk or Treat" event that First Baptist Church hosts. It is an extension of the downtown Halloween event and is usually well attended.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- J. Ray made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2019 and the Streets & Alleys/Water & Sewer Joint Committee Meeting minutes of October 3, 2019. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- P. Pearce made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$308,334.62. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall reported that a Public Meeting will be held on October 21, 2019 at 6:00pm.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- J. Marner reported that the Water & Sewer/ Streets & Alleys met.

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

- Police Chief Goodman provided September monthly reports.
- On September 26 a letter of resignation was received from Brandy Smith, who will be joining the Parkland Police Department in Champaign. Chief Goodman read the letter of resignation from Brandy. October 8 will be her last shift. The Police Committee will meet soon, and the process to hire a new officer has been started.

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

- Grant Corum provided a monthly report from the Public Works department.

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

- Kenny Crossman had no report.

#### **Unfinished Business**

none

#### **New Business**

1. J. Ray made a motion to approve the Temporary Sign Application by local IOOF Lodge. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. P. Pearce made a motion to approve the street closing request for the CIBR barbecue event. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. C. Miller provided information about an upcoming community event called "All Thigs Fall." M. Bernius made a motion to approve the Simply Arthur request to use the Gazebo Parking Lot on Friday, October 25, 2019 to host a Community Connect event. M. Hilgenberg seconded. Trustees Bernius, Hilgenberg, Ray, Marner, and Pearce voted YEA. Trustee Miller abstained. Motion passed.

4. President Randall reported that when the Mi-Ox unit is installed, the public will need information on the flushing of the hydrants and systems. Sending out letters is expensive, so an alternative would be to purchase a two-page spread in the Arthur Graphic for \$1,200.00. This would also provide room for other departments to get information and updates out to the public. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve Village participation in a special community-wide edition of the Arthur Graphic-Clarion for the purpose of publishing local government information. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. M. Bernius reported on a plan to improve the Village sidewalks. He provided an estimate from Coles County Regional Planning, who would gather information and map all sidewalks in the Village of Arthur. They would also assign a conditional grade for all sidewalks. Their report would include prioritization maps, sidewalk condition assessments, cost estimates, funding sources, and recommendations. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the bid from Coles County Regional Planning & Development Commission for an Arthur Sidewalk Plan not to exceed \$5,000.00. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. P. Pearce made a motion to approve extending the Annual Lawn Watering program from the September 15 ending date to an October 15 ending date. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. Grant Corum provided information on a bid for tree removal on Village-owned property. One additional tree on Park Street was added to the bid after it was received. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the bid from Leaf It to Us for the removal of trees on Village-owned property not to exceed \$7,000.00. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
8. Action was not needed on Ordinance 10-07A-2019: An Ordinance Declaring Certain Items of Village Owned Personal Property Surplus.
9. M. Bernius made a motion to approve advertising for bids for mowing equipment for Public Works Department. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
10. M. Bernius made a motion to go into Executive Session to set a price for the sale of Village-owned railroad right-of-way property. Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

The Regular Meeting was re-opened. Roll Call was answered by Trustees Bernius, Hilgenberg, Ray, Miller, Marner, and Pearce. No action was taken during Executive Session.

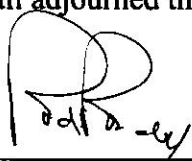
#### General Discussion

- A CIMOA meeting will be held on October 24, 2019 at the Wheel House restaurant in St. Joseph.
- Discussion took place on municipal use of the AUMC parking lot.
- Discussion took place on the Union Street property.

#### Adjourn

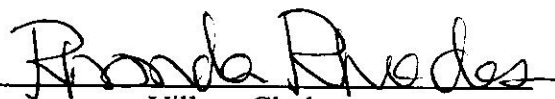
C. Miller made a motion to adjourn. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

10-21-19