

April 2, 2018

A Work Session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, April 2, 2018, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Jenni Marner, Dave Tiffan, and Paul Pearce. Trustee Tyrel Ledbetter was absent. Trustee Mike Hilgenberg joined the meeting in progress. Visitors present were Christy Miller, Bob Doan, John Stephens, James Aikman, Dale Bissonett, Mac Condill, George Fritz, and Joseph Yoder.

New Business

- Discussion took place regarding the Village of Arthur's financial investment with the Arthur Area Tourism Council and the Arthur Area Economic Development Corporation. Also discussed were the mutual goals and visions. President Randall provided a copy of the three-year contract signed with AATC and the two-year contract signed with the AAEDC. P. Pearce asked how the Board could measure the economic impact back to the village for the money provided so this money could be tracked. Also discussed was a document regarding shared goals of the Village Board, AATC, and AAEDC. The goals were read and discussed. President Randall noted that these goals provide better communication between the groups and create focused efforts for the year. J. Marner raised a concern about how to evaluate these goals, since they are hard to measure. Mac Condill also noted appreciation for the tools offered by setting these goals, especially to assist Christy Miller and Bob Doan who do a great job representing Arthur. Mike Hilgenberg joined the meeting.
- Discussion took place about developing an Economic Development Assistance Policy/Program. P. Pearce provided a draft of possible guidelines and criteria to use that will ensure grant money and incentives are aligned with Village goals and objectives. President Randall noted this draft is for fiscal year 2019-2020 and this paperwork will show how our taxpayers' money is being used. M. Bernius noted the value in both this and the goals document presented, but tying the two together might be problematic for the organizations. President Randall noted that communications have improved by having Bob Doan and Christy Miller at the Board meetings.
- Discussion took place about developing a plan/policy for the use of Village-owned property on South Vine Street adjacent to the railroad by vendors or for other purposes. President Randall and P. Pearce provided information and a draft permit application. There are currently two requests to use the property.

General Discussion

Appreciation was expressed to all the organizations that work hard to make Arthur a great place.

Adjourn

M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. J. Marner seconded. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 6:58pm.

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Village President

ATTEST _____



Village Clerk

DATE _____

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