

April 16, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, April 16, 2018, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Mike Hilgenberg, Tyrel Ledbetter, Jenni Marner, and Dave Tiffan. Trustees Matt Bernius and Paul Pearce were absent.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Randall asked Jud Wienke to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

Visitors present were Christy Miller, Jud Wienke, Sue Falk, Ginger Denton, and LaVern Herschberger.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- D. Tiffan made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the Board of Trustee Work Session Minutes of April 2, 2018, the Regular Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2018, the Tourism and Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2018, the Police Committee Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2018, the Human Resources and Finance Committee Joint Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2018, the Water & Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2018, and the Street & Alley Committee Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2018. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$125,871.87. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall noted the 29<sup>th</sup> annual Quilt Show will begin Thursday, April 19, 2018, and expressed thanks to Wilma Herschberger, her family, the volunteers, and the Association of Commerce for making this event happen.
- The Board is invited to attend the AAEDC annual investor event held at Yoder's Kitchen on April 24, 2018 at 6:00pm.
- The Douglas County CEO program is having an open house on April 25, 2018 from 5:00-7:00pm.
- A special Village Board meeting will be held Monday, April 23, 2018 at 7:00pm to discuss the new budget and other items.
- President Randall thanked the Board for their work and support over the past year. Also recognized were Village Clerk Rhonda Rhodes and Village Trustee Jenni Marner for their perfect attendance over the last year.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- T. Ledbetter reported that he would be resigning his position as Village Trustee due to moving out of town. He expressed thanks to the voters and the Village Board as he has enjoyed this position. President Randall expressed appreciation for Trustee Ledbetter's input, especially in the area of law enforcement.
- D. Tiffan thanked Trustee Ledbetter for his service on the Village Board and Police Committee.

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

- Police Chief Goodman provided a monthly report. The local DARE posters will be displayed around town soon, and DARE graduation is coming May 9, 2018 at 6:00pm in the Arthur Grade School gym. Around 45 fifth graders will be graduating.

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

- Grant Corum provided a monthly activity log for the Public Works Department. The new vacuum truck was delivered and all Public Work's employees trained.



## **Village Attorney's Report**

none

## **Village Comptroller's Report**

- Village Comptroller Erica Carter provided a treasurer's report. She provided a listing of all Village CD's. The tentative 2018-2019 budget will be sent out for review before the April 23 Board meeting. Expected income is at 97% with three months remaining. Overall the Village has expended only 66% of their anticipated budget.

## **Tourism Director's Report**

- Christy Miller reported that in March there were tourists from eleven states and five countries, with a total count of 556. She continues to work on marketing and social media accounts and strategies. Christy met with investors from the Spotlight Tour. Also in the works is a partnership to market Moultrie County using funds given from Sullivan.

## **Unfinished Business**

none

## **New Business**

- K. Crossman reported that Larry Yoder made an offer of \$60,000.00 for lots 41 and 42 in Meadowview Subdivision. K. Crossman drafted an agreement, which will take 2/3 vote to approve. T. Ledbetter made a motion to approve the contract proposal for the purchase of Lots 41 & 42 in Meadowview Subdivision for a purchase price of \$60,000.00. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees and President Randall voted YEA.
- K. Crossman explained an agreement with Village Square Real Estate and Legacy Land Company to sell lots in the Meadowview Subdivision at a rate of 4% of the sales price. The Board can also continue to sell the lots. J. Marner made a motion to authorize the mayor to enter into a listing agreement with Village Square Real Estate and Legacy Land Company pursuant to the Resolution 2018-5, which was passed at the last Board meeting. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. Representatives from each company drew numbers to see which lots they would list. Legacy Land drew lots 15, 17, 20, and 21. Village Square Real Estate drew lots 14, 16, 18, and 19.
- K. Crossman prepared an ordinance providing Grant Corum and Police Chief Goodman approval to dispose of surplus property from their departments. This includes a 1988 International Jet Vacuum truck and an Aquatech SJ600E sewer jet trailer unit, which will be sold by competitive sealed bid. May 4, 2018 will be the deadline for the bids. Police Department excess property includes old radio units and remote speaker mikes. T. Ledbetter made a motion to approve Ordinance 04-16A-18: An ordinance declaring certain items of personal property surplus and authorizing Village staff to dispose of said personal property as deemed necessary. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- J. Marner reported on a Tourism and Community Relations Committee meeting held April 10, 2018 to review Hotel/Motel Tax grant applications. After reviewing the applications, the committee recommended fully funding the Arthur Area Tourism Council request for \$8,500.00 and give \$1,838.07 to the Arthur Association of Commerce. J. Marner made a motion to apply the Hotel/Motel Tax Grants as recommended. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Randall provided an example of an enhanced Village logo designed by Alvie Jess. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the enhancements to the Village logo. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Randall gave details regarding a Memorial or Honorary Street Sign Program. The street signs would be temporary and the cost covered by the requestor. The signs would be displayed for up to two years, then given to the requestor. J. Marner suggested a short article in the Arthur Graphic for those being honored. T. Ledbetter made a motion to approve Resolution #2018-6 Establishing a Memorial or Honorary Street Sign Program, with the addition of the word "grandchild" to Section 2 item 1, and the word "until" changed to "unless" in Section 2 item 5. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.



- T. Ledbetter made a motion to approve a request to use Village-owned property behind Penn Station for buggy parking for large wedding event on April 28, 2018. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- D. Tiffan reported on a Police Committee Meeting held to discuss an Arthur Police Department K-9 Unit. Officer Wienke presented information at this meeting. Discussion took place on current drug laws concerning cannabis and how they might change in the years ahead. T. Ledbetter provided an article about training canines and current trends in not training for the cannabis odor. Different scenarios were discussed. Chief Goodman noted that training the dog for detecting cannabis later would be easier than taking that training away from the canine. Discussion took place on continuing costs of having a K-9 Unit, which would just be veterinary costs. J. Marner noted the need for more time to review the proposal. J. Marner made a motion to postpone for one week the creation and support of an Arthur Police Department K-9 Unit contingent upon a successful public funding effort to raise a minimum of \$20,000.00. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the payment for rebuilt 2005 Vactor 2110-J6 vacuum truck from water and sewer funds. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

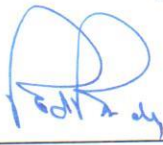
#### **General Discussion**

- M. Hilgenberg asked about vendors at the Downtown Arthur Market.
- Sue Falk thanked the Board for the opportunity to sell lots in the Meadowview Subdivision.

#### **Adjourn**

T. Ledbetter made a motion to adjourn. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

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