

June 5, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, June 5, 2017, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Jenni Marner, and Paul Pearce. Trustee Tyrel Ledbetter arrived after roll call. Trustees JD Kuhns and Dave Tiffan were absent.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Village Clerk Rhonda Rhodes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

Visitors present were Terry Clark, Sam Herschberger, Alvie Jess, and Bob Doan.

#### **Approval of previous meeting minutes**

The Regular Meeting minutes and Executive Session minutes of May 15, 2017 were approved as presented.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- P. Pearce made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$29,565.85. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Rod Randall reported that the board member pictures from the Tintype will be available soon. President Randall made notice of Appropriation Ordinance from Erica Carter for action during the next meeting. President Randall also asked for agenda items to be submitted by the end of the workday Thursday before the Monday meeting. Also mentioned were the recent meetings President Randall has had with members of the community regarding ideas, thoughts, and visions for the community. One meeting was with the Arthur Area Career Training Center representatives. Bob Doan will be speaking about this later in the meeting. Trustee Tyrel Ledbetter joined the meeting.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- Matt Bernius reported that Lamar Miller is the Community Representative on Streets and Alleys Committee, and this committee will be meeting in the near future.
- Tyrel Ledbetter reported there has been no confirmation for the Community Representative for the Human Resource committee.
- Jenni Marner reported that a meeting of the Community Relations and Tourism committee took place regarding WCIA's Our Town and the Welcome Center. Christy Miller will continue to meet with this committee as her schedule allows.
- Paul Pearce- no report

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

- Chief Goodman reported that the Freedom Festival Fireworks event is being planned. Personnel assistance is being coordinated with Illinois State Police, along with Moultrie County, Douglas County, and Emergency Management. The fireworks permit was approved. Chief Goodman provided a monthly report on service calls and animal control.

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

- Grant Corum reported that summer help and summer projects have started, and the downtown has seen many improvements. G. Corum provided a Public Works activity log. June 19-20 are the dates for grinding yard waste. G. Corum led a discussion regarding off-street parking on village right-of-ways. Guidelines are needed to define what right-of-way parking to allow. The Street and Alley Committee will meet to discuss this more and offer suggestions.

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

- K. Crossman discussed an ordinance he prepared for the Business District regarding signs and merchandise on public property. The Streets and Alley Committee will discuss the ordinance and make suggestions.

### **Community Development Coordinator Report**

- Bob Doan shared some history of the AAEDC and his position there. He gave a summary of income, investors, and projects. Some projects highlighted were the Douglas County CEO program, the Douglas County Enterprise Zone, the TIF district, Arthur Area Career Training Center, a local Hotel, Connecting the Dots Booklet, and the Illinois Amish Heritage Center which will have a steam engine threshing July 21-22.

### **Unfinished Business**

- K. Crossman reported on ordinance 06-05A-2017 declaring Lots #14-21 and 41-43 in Phase 2 of the Meadowview Subdivision as surplus property. Crossman recommended to move forward and advertise the lots. M. Bernius made motion to adopt the ordinance. T. Ledbetter seconded. All trustees voted YEA.
- President Randall reported that after gathering information, it was recommended that we acquire 13 Google Accounts for Village business. Also recommended is paying the \$130 (\$10 per account) per month to archive email. P. Pearce made a motion to acquire Google Accounts for all village employees and trustees. M. Bernius seconded. All trustees votes YEA.
- President Randall received several bids for chairs and tables for Board Room refurnishing. Discussion took place on each bid. It was decided that a local wood product would best represent the Arthur community and to purchase black leather executive chairs. T. Ledbetter made a motion to accept the bid from Amish Country Heirlooms for 5- 36 x 72 tables and 4 corner tables for \$6,088.50 and the bid from Rogards for 12 unassembled, Honn executive chairs at \$299 totaling \$3,588.00. P. Pearce seconded. All trustees voted YEA.
- President Randall recommended postponing discussion and action on TIF applications and decisions until a Works Session meeting can be held and more information gathered. P. Pearce made a motion to table the TIF application from AATC. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

### **New Business**

- Due to the lack of a supermajority, P. Pearce made a motion to postpone the discussion and action on approval of a public hearing for proposal to exchange Village of Arthur owned Real Estate located on the Penn Central Railroad adjacent to Property owned by State Bank of Arthur Trust #454 for property owned by State Bank of Arthur Trust #454 adjacent to Mill Street. M. Bernius seconded. All trustees voted YEA. A meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 11am to take action on the approval of the public hearing.
- Alvie Jess presented information regarding stamped concrete in front of his business at 111 North Vine. The sidewalk would cover 57 feet to the south. P. Pearce commended Jess for his improvement of the downtown Arthur area. M. Bernius made a motion to allow the sidewalk, with the city paying for the concrete and ADA compliant panels. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- K. Crossman reported that the Zoning Board met and recommended approval regarding the variance request for 1021 Amanda Court building height to exceed allowable maximum. Sam Herschberger presented plans for building an accessory building up to 20 feet in height and has a signed document that neighbors did not oppose the variance. T. Ledbetter made a motion to accept ordinance 06-05B-17 authorizing the variance request. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- G. Corum presented information regarding Ameren gas and electric facilities installation costs for Meadowview Subdivision. Gas installation cost totals \$13,943.98 which is refunded at \$4,886.00 per attachment. Electric totals \$23,950.56 which is refunded at \$2,177.33 per attachment. M. Bernius made motion to approve the installation costs. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- K. Crossman explained that the discussion and action on setting uniform mowing costs for yards in violation of Village ordinances needs to be tabled due to a state statute stating costs must be calculated. K. Crossman recommended taking this to a Streets and Alley committee meeting to decide how to calculate costs. M. Bernius made a motion to table the action. J. Marner seconded. All trustees voted YEA.
- Chief Goodman presented information from a Police Committee meeting regarding unresolved ordinance violations. Chief Goodman gave a summary of what happens when a violation is given and goes unpaid. He recommended three cases to go forward with municipal court. K. Crossman gave information on this procedure and cost. T. Ledbetter made a motion to commence prosecution on these three cases. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Chief Goodman presented information regarding StarCom, a digital radio system. Quotes were received from Motorola and Barbeck. Motorola's quote for 3 mobile and 7 portable radios totaled \$28,637.10. Barbeck's quote for installation and programming was \$6,190.00 with a five year warranty. Financing over 5 years would be approximately 3.5%. Chief Goodman is waiting on an Intergovernmental agreement with Douglas County. Chief Goodman suggests paying Barbeck this year and building in payment for equipment over the next 5 years. T. Ledbetter gave recommendations and information on the benefits of this system. P. Pearce made a motion to postpone action until the Thursday, June 8, 2017 Special Meeting. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- P. Pearce made a motion to approve two attendees (Erica Carter and Rhonda Rhodes) to Central Illinois Municipal Clerks Organization on June 22-23 for \$75 each. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- J. Marner presented information from the Community Relations and Tourism meeting regarding WCIA's Our Town program. Discussion took place on what level, if any, the Village Board would support this program through a paid commercial. Discussion took place on Arthur tourism and how the AAEDC, AATC, and the Tourist Center all work together. M. Bernius gave a brief history of the current situation. M. Bernius made a motion to purchase a 30 second commercial with WCIA, negotiating the cost, not to exceed \$1,500 which will be aired during Our Town, and can be used again in the future. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

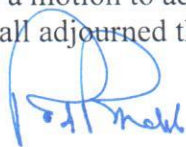
#### General Discussion

- P. Pearce noted that an HR committee meeting, with T. Ledbetter as Chairperson, should be held soon.

#### Adjourn

P. Pearce made a motion to adjourn. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:58pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE June 19, 2017