March 8, 2016

A public hearing meeting regarding the potential sale of the water and wastewater utilities of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, in the Village Community Room. Roll call was not taken; however, Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, P. Pearce, D. Tiffan, and J. Aikman.

Kenny Crossman opened the meeting with the guidelines for the meeting.

Village President Matt Bernius reviewed the process to date regarding the question of selling the water and wastewater facilities.

Tim Nugent, Mayor of Manteno, reviewed how his town made the decision to sell their systems.

President Bernius reviewed answers to questions and concerns from the last meetings.

Questions from the public were answered by President Bernius, Consultant Gerry Hartman, and Craig Blanchette and Bob Ervin from Aqua Illinois.

Question topics included:

- The ISO rating for the community for fire fighters and how that affects residents' property taxes
- What would happen if Aqua would decide to sell it to another company
- Water quality
- What options were researched regarding system improvements
- Hartman Consultants compensation
- Aqua's service and water quality
- Infrastructure improvements needed
- Leasing versus selling the systems
- Are grants or low-interest loans available or have they been researched
- Aqua charges and fees for customers and new service customers
- What resources (staff, engineers, etc.) does the Village have if the system is not sold

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 9:01pm.

Village President

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Village Clerk

DATE March 21, 2016