

January 18, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, January 18, 2021, for Public Viewing in the Village Board Room. President Randall, Village Trustees, Grant Corum, and Kenny Crossman all attended the meeting remotely using the Zoom website. 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, Dave Tiffan, and Jenni Marner.

#### **Public Comment**

No visitors were present.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

- J. Ray made a motion to approve the December 21, 2020 Board of Trustee Regular Meeting minutes. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$106,315.33. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall spoke about concerns for our nation, yet he's hopeful that we can come together to solve these problems and difficulties. President Randall spoke of his appreciation for the Arthur community during these times.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- M. Bernius also stated his appreciation for the community of Arthur. This is his nineteenth year serving on the Board, and he is proud to be a part of a community that has its differences but still works together.

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

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports.
- Chief Goodman provided details about the recent Law Enforcement Bill. He explained what qualified immunity is. This bill would not change qualified immunity. The bill would change the process of police complaints. Sworn affidavits would not be needed for police complaints, and record keeping would change. This bill requires more training and education for officers.

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

- Grant Corum provided reports from the Public Works Department. Grant recently met with Farnsworth to discuss Capital Improvement projects for 2021-2022.

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

- Attorney Kenny Crossman had no report.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- None

#### **New Business**

1. Kenny Crossman provided details about Resolution: 01-18-2021: A Resolution for the Abatement of the 2020 Alternate Revenue Bond. He noted an alternate financing source was required in 2012 when the bond was refinanced. J. Ray made a motion to approve Resolution: 01-18-2021: A Resolution for the Abatement of the 2020 Alternate Revenue Bond. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. Discussion took place on Cybernautic Web Design's proposal for developing a new website for the Village of Arthur. President Randall noted there are problems with our current website. Pictures and information cannot be uploaded to the site, and it is not user-friendly. Cybernautic has designed websites for Simply Arthur and the Tuscola community. C. Miller shared that this company has been great to work with, and the site they designed for Simply Arthur is easy to use and add information to. With the CURE program, our community qualified for a \$92,000.00 grant. Trustees will continue to look at information and ways to move forward with a new website.

3. President Randall led a discussion on items regarding COVID-19 issues within the Village of Arthur, its residents, businesses, Village services and employees. Cases of COVID-19 continue to affect our residents. Our region has moved back to Tier 1.

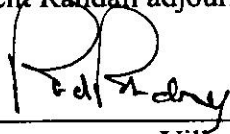
**General Discussion**

- President Randall received a call from Chris Robinson, who was reaching out with a plan about building two six-unit studio apartment complexes on the Walnut Street property. He will be sending information about this plan for the Trustees to look over. Chris mentioned this type of housing is good for Veterans. M. Bernius mentioned he would like to see some of Chris' other projects in person.

**Adjourn**

- M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

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Village President

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Village Clerk

DATE

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