

March 4, 2021

A meeting of the Arthur Sesquicentennial Committee of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, March 4, 2021, in the Arthur Community Building. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Randall explained this was the initial official meeting of this ad hoc committee, a sub-committee of the Village's Community Relations and Tourism Committee. Those in attendance were Village Trustee Christy Miller, Marty Yeakel, Rob Fustin, Eric and Stephanie Alexander, Barb Eckstein, Sally McCarthy, Josephine Marner, and Chad and Michele Price.

Old Business

- President Randall reviewed a document outlining the purpose of this committee which is to raise the awareness of Arthur's upcoming 150th Anniversary of its founding in 1873 and help initiate and implement programs in celebration of this event.

New Business

- President Randall also enumerated several ideas on how Arthur's sesquicentennial could be celebrated including the need to begin communicating with local government, civic and social organizations, churches, businesses, and schools about ideas on how to coordinate their activities so that they will enhance Arthur's celebration in 2023. Tourism could be enhanced during this celebration, so it seemed beneficial to have Christy Miller, chairperson of the Village's Community Relations and Tourism involved. It was also noted that a logo for the sesquicentennial should be designed as soon as possible and Eric and Stephanie Alexander volunteered to work on that project.

Specific projects discussed were: Doing a rework and update of Arthur's history, doing an historical marker project, opening Arthur's Centennial time capsule and preparing another time capsule to be opened in 2073, ideas about fund-raising for the event, and discussion about dates for the celebration

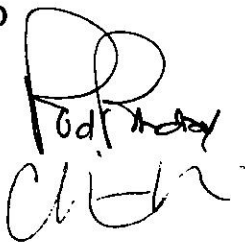
General Discussion

There was discussion that this observance should not only be about Arthur's past, but be a looking forward to the community's future. It will take several volunteers to make this celebration a success. It was also mentioned that the Douglas County Museum should be contacted about Arthur's upcoming sesquicentennial so they could showcase this community in 2023. The next meeting of the Sesquicentennial Committee will be on Thursday, March 25 at 6:30pm in the Community Building.

Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:39pm.

APPROVED

Handwritten signatures of Rod Randall and Christy Miller. The signature of Rod Randall is written over the signature of Christy Miller.