

December 6, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, December 6, 2021, in the Arthur Community Building. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Mike Hilgenberg, Todd Dukeman, Jim Fleming, Dave Tiffan, and Christy Miller.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

- President Randall asked M. Bernius to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

- Visitors present were Randa Carson and Andrea Wierman.

#### **Consent Agenda**

- C. Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the November 15, 2021 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes, the November 30, 2021 Water & Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes, and the November 30, 2021 Human Resources & Police Joint Committee Meeting Minutes. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$103,637.84. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall provided phone numbers for citizens to call if their Verizon service is poor. The numbers are \*611 from a phone with Verizon service or 1-800-837-4366.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- J. Fleming thanked the organizers of the Christmas parade, which was very nice and well-attended.

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

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department.

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

- Grant Corum provided a report from the Public Works Department. He noted that Christmas decorations have been put up and Water Well Solutions have cleaned and tested Well 8.

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

- Attorney Kenny Crossman had no report.

#### **Unfinished Business**

none

#### **New Business**

1. Randa Carson presented details for a 5K run to be held during Strawberry Jam to support the Knights Sports Boosters. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the request by the Knights Sports Boosters to hold a 5K run on June 4, 2022 during Strawberry Jam, with the stipulation that Chief Goodman approves the route map. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. J. Fleming made a motion to approve the Recognition of Achievement Sign request honoring the ALAH High School Cross Country Team who earned runner-up in IHSA State competition. T. Dukeman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. T. Dukeman and D. Tiffan were present in the Police Officer interviews and highly recommended three candidates. Chief Goodman gave details about each of the three candidates. D. Tiffan made a motion to hire the following as part-time certified Police Officers for the Village of Arthur at a starting pay of \$28.00 per hour with an increase to \$30.00 per hour after 30 days at the Chief of Police's discretion: Derek L.

Rasmussen, Nicholas T. Martina, and Emily F. Bradley. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

4. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the proposal for tree removal from Leaf It To Us in the amount of \$3,635.00. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. M. Bernius reported that the Water & Sewer committee meet recently to discuss several items on the Capital Improvement Plan. The committee recommends moving ahead on the water tower project. Grant Corum provided informational handouts detailing the steps of the project. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the engineering service proposal from Farnsworth Group for the water tower project in the amount of \$59,900.00. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. Kenny Crossman went over the 2020-2021 Tax Levy and detailed each fund. The total amount of the levy is \$522,467.00 which is an increase of only \$1,502.00. M. Bernius made a motion to approve Ordinance 12-06A2021: An Ordinance Approving of 2020-2021 Tax Levy with an increase under the 5% required for a Truth in Taxation Hearing. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve end-of-year bonuses for all Village employees as of December 6, 2021, with full-time employees receiving \$250.00 and part-time employees receiving \$50.00. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

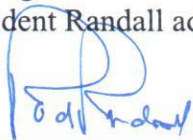
#### General Discussion

- none

#### Adjourn

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to adjourn. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:38pm.

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Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

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