

January 3, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, January 3, 2022, 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, and Christy Miller. Trustee Dave Tiffan joined the meeting in progress.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

#### **Public Comment**

- Visitors present were Heidi and Nick Grooms.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

- M. Bernius made a motion to approve the December 6, 2021 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$36,666.60. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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

- President Randall received a COVID-19 update for Douglas County. Between December 27 and January 2 there were 218 new cases. 75% of these new cases are in unvaccinated people.
- President Randall also reported that the Village's new website is up, which has the same address as before. There are still improvements being made to the site.
- President Randall noted that the Arthur Homes Project has closed on the property. The Village Board will be notified before the bidding process starts for the work to be done.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- J. Fleming thanked JJ Carter and the Park Board for the nice Christmas light display in the park this year.

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

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. A year-end report will be provided at the next meeting. Discussion took place on the old Police car that is for sale. Pictures will be taken for online advertising.

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

- Grant Corum was absent but provided a building permit report.

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

- Attorney Kenny Crossman had no report.

#### **Unfinished Business**

none

#### **New Business**

1. Heidi and Nick Grooms were present to provide details and answer questions regarding plans for the property at 528 N. Vine Street. They provided blue prints and pictures for the planned building, which will be the new location for Graham Veterinary Clinic. Heidi gave a description of the colors and style of the building, and Nick noted that construction should begin in May. M. Bernius gave a history of the property being purchased. M. Bernius made a motion to enter into a contract with Graham Veterinary Clinic for the sale of Village-owned property at 528 N. Vine Street, Arthur, IL in the amount of \$28,000, with the provision that a building permit is filed and construction begins within a year. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

2. President Randall reported that he has heard from citizens who would like to see the speed limit on Vine Street around the grade school and bank reduced. The speed limit is currently 25 mph. Discussion took place about changing it to 20 mph. Discussion took place on where to place the signs. T. Dukeman made a motion to approve the speed limit reduction Ordinance: 01-03A-2022 for North and South Vine Street from Logan Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

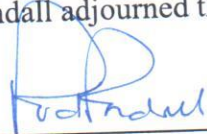
**General Discussion**

- C. Miller noted concern about school children crossing Vine Street in areas where there is no crossing guard.
- M. Bernius recommended the Safe Routes to School program and to watch for that grant to become available.

**Adjourn**


- M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:39pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

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