January 24, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, January 24, 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, Dave Tiffan, and Christy Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance

• President Randall asked C. Miller to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

• There were no visitors present.

Approval of Minutes

 M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the January 3, 2022 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$85,198.37.
 M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

President Randall received an update from the Douglas County Health Department.
January 24, 2022 marks the two-year anniversary of the first COVID-19 case
recorded in Illinois. Over these two years the Douglas County has seen 55 COVID
deaths. January 24 marks the first day of appointment-based COVID testing at the
Douglas County Health Department.

Trustees' Reports

• No reports were given.

Chief of Police Report

 Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. Chief Goodman also provided a comparison report for the years 1998-2021 and an annual report from 2021.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

• Grant Corum provided a monthly report from the Public Works Department. Grant noted that a bid opening will be held Friday, January 28 for the sludge press.

Comptroller's Report

Erica Carter was absent due to illness.

Village Attorney's Report

 Attorney Kenny Crossman announced on behalf of Simply Arthur that Ed Coller has accepted the role of Executive Director. He will begin February 1, 2022.

Unfinished Business

none

New Business

- Kenny Crossman reviewed the need for an Alternate Revenue Source and the protection it provides. He noted the Village has never had to utilize this source. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve abating the 2021 G.O. Refunding Bond (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2012, of the Village of Arthur, Douglas and Moultrie Counties, Illinois DATED: November 1, 2012 in the amount of \$40,440.00 for the 2021 Levy year. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- 2. Kenny Crossman reported that he has been approached by several people about purchasing the Village-owned railroad right-of-way property. Kenny provided maps of the lots, which are located on the north side of Progress Street in Moultrie County.

Discussion took place on the history of the lots and prices. M. Bernius made a motion to approve Ordinance 01-24A-2022: The sale of Village-owned right-of-way property in the amount of \$1.25 per square foot, with the Village attorney working with potential buyers and Grant Corum approving any construction. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

General Discussion

- President Randall reported that Merle Plank plans to start construction at the Walnut Street Property this summer.
- President Randall led a discussion regarding the north wall of Jeremy Hale's building on Main Street. Discussion took place about a mural being painted there and a possible theme for the mural.
- Discussion took place about the landscaping around the Welcome Center and ideas for improvement before the sesquicentennial in 2023.
- President Randall led a discussion about the possibility of a poured floor in the Community Building to replace the carpet. The cost will be investigated further.
- Discussion took place on the railroad property across from the Progress Street Public Works facility, which the Village maintains. Discussion also took place on the future of the Union Street property.

Adjourn

M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
 President Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm.

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Village President

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DATE 2-7-22