A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, October 5, 2020, 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, Justin Ray, Christy Miller, Dave Tiffan, and Jenni Marner. M. Hilgenberg was absent.

## Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall asked Trustee Bernius to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

Kevin Buckley was the only visitor present.

### **Approval of Minutes**

 C. Miller made a motion to approve the September 21, 2020 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

### **Approval of Expenditures**

M. Bernius made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$76,959.67. D.
Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

### Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall gave recognition to Illinois' longest-serving governor, Jim Thompson, who passed away on August 18, 2020.
- It is time to renew the Village's risk management insurance. There will be no increase in cost for renewing with Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association.

# Trustees' Reports

• No reports were given.

### Auditors' Report

 Kevin Buckley provided copies of the Annual Financial Statements for the Village of Arthur. Mr. Buckley reviewed the fund balances, revenues received, expenditures, and water and sewer accounts. Audit findings were reviewed. President Randall asked about the current IEPA loan and what the Board needs to do. Discussion took place on the loan and accrual.

#### Comptroller's Report

• Comptroller Erica Carter reported that packets need to be picked up for anyone wanting to run in the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election. Four Trustee seats will be open, along with the Mayor and Village Clerk positions.

## **Chief of Police Report**

 Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. The 2013 vehicle is now out of service, and bids will be taken soon. The new K-9 Unit is up and running.

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

• Grant Corum was absent but provided reports from the Public Works Department.

# Village Attorney's Report

Attorney Kenny Crossman had no report.

### **Unfinished Business**

none

### **New Business**

- 1. J. Marner made a motion to postpone action on accepting the auditor's report to give Board members a chance to study the report. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- 2. C. Miller provided information about an event to be held on October 16, 2020. Arthur Community Bank has requested parking spaces be reserved on the south side of Illinois Street next to their building. They are planning to hand out bagged lunches for customer appreciation. C. Miller made a motion to approve the request from the Arthur Community Bank to reserve certain parking spaces for an event to be held on October 16, 2020. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- 3. President Randall provided information regarding the compensation for Village elected officials. He explained that changes to compensation have not been made in many years, and if a change is to be made it must be made 180 days prior to an election. President Randall provided comparison numbers from Arcola and Sullivan. He suggested basing compensation on meeting attendance instead of a flat rate. Discussion took place on compensation numbers. D. Tiffan made a motion to change the payment schedule for Village elected employees to be paid quarterly and based on attendance. The Village President will receive \$175.00 per regular meeting and \$50.00 per special and committee meetings. Trustees and the Village Clerk will receive \$100.00 per Village Meeting and \$50.00 per special and committee meetings (Ordinance 10-05A-2020). M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- 4. President Randall noted that little guidance has been given from the health department regarding trick-or-treating. President Randall provided a document with suggested guidelines and hours (5:00-8:00pm). C. Miller made a motion to approve Halloween 2020 trick-or-treating hours and COVID-19 safety precautions. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **General Discussion**

- J. Marner asked about the recent sidewalk survey and how it was coming along. She noted that IDOT has transportation enhancement grants for rural areas. This sidewalk survey would be very helpful for this type of grant.
- Erica Carter reported that the downtown small business grant that we applied for requested additional information, and it is moving forward.

## Adjourn

• C. Miller made a motion to adjourn. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:56pm.

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Village President

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