

February 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, February 20, 2023, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Mike Hilgenberg, Jim Fleming, and Christy Miller. Trustees Todd Dukeman and Dave Tiffan were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Public Comment

- Jeremy Hale was the only visitor present.

Approval of Minutes

- C. Miller made a motion to approve the February 6, 2023 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 \$12,553.32. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall reported that an agreement was signed with Homefield Energy for municipal aggregation. The rate is 11.3 cents per kilowatt hour. This rate will be available in July, and residents may decide whether to join this program or not. President Randall noted that if a resident leaves Ameren, they may not join again for one year.

Trustees' Reports

- C. Miller reported that WCIA will be in Arthur on July 21, 2023 reporting for their "Our Town" news segments.

Chief of Police Report

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. Chief Goodman noted that advertising is underway for the Police Officer position.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Grant Corum was absent but provided reports from the Public Works Department. President Randall reported that The Great Pumpkin Patch will no longer be doing the landscape work around the Welcome Center and other areas in the community. Public Works take care of cleanup around the Municipal/Community Building. Bids will be received for the other landscaping work.

Comptroller's Report

- Erica Carter provided the Treasurer's report. She went through the details of the checkbook, TIF lot sales, CD's, income, and expenses. Overall, the Village has received 105% of anticipated revenue for this fiscal year. The Village has spent 48% of their anticipated budget across all funds this year. Discussion took place on the options for a town clean-up day.

Village Attorney Report

- Kenny Crossman reported that there will be a Zoning Board meeting the second week of March.

Unfinished Business

- none

New Business

1. Chief Goodman reported on the problems with the current records management system purchased in 1998. This system is not keeping up with the new types of reporting needed today. Chief Goodman presented a new system that would streamline administration reports

and data filing. It would also allow the officers to complete logs from their vehicle. Six devices would be needed at a cost of \$180.00 each per year, which includes maintenance, support, and improvements. There is also a one-time enrollment fee for \$2,500.00 which includes initial set up. Allowing multiple departments to share summary information would cost \$300.00. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the purchase of a VP Cloud based Records Management System for the Police Department from Brownlee Data Systems, in the amount of \$3,880.00. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

2. Chief Goodman provided information regarding the purchase of a drug terminator. Chief Goodman noted the Drug Enforcement Administration is no longer working with the drug takeback program. This new unit would allow for safe disposal of confiscated drugs and prescription drugs that residents need to dispose of. President Randall noted this would benefit the public. J. Fleming made a motion to purchase a Drug Terminator portable incinerator for the Police Department from Elastec, in the amount of \$6,010.00. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
3. Kenny Crossman reported on an intergovernmental agreement with Douglas County. This agreement will provide funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 for the water tower project. President Randall reported that the Village has received a check in the amount of \$200,000.00 from Moultrie County to go toward the sludge press water and sewer project, and this agreement will release \$282,300.00 from Douglas County for the Village's elevated water tower project. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the Douglas County Board Ordinance Authorizing the use of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 for a Joint Project with the Village of Arthur Concerning the repair and maintenance of an elevated water storage tower by the Douglas County Board and approving the Village President to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Douglas County to effectuate such ordinance. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
4. M. Bernius made a motion to approve authorizing short-term disability benefits to Christy Frederick if necessary. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.


General Discussion

- Kenny Crossman reported that Simply Arthur will present a request for continued support at the March Board meeting.
- President Randall reported that he communicated with Mike Niehaus regarding the Board's recent decision regarding Rhema Drive improvements. They will proceed with chip and oil.

Adjourn

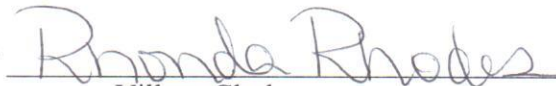
- C. Miller made a motion to adjourn. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:36 pm.

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Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

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