#### April 17, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, April 17, 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, 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.

#### **Consent Agenda**

C. Miller made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the April 3, 2023 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes; the April 10, 2023 Tourism Committee Meeting Minutes; the April 10, 2023 Police Committee Meeting Minutes; and the April 10, 2023 HR and Finance Committees Meeting Minutes. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

# Approval of Expenditures

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$59,473.79. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

# Village President Comments and Announcements

President Randall reported that repairs will be made to Rhema Drive beginning in June. The Village's portion of the project will be approximately \$5,600.00.

M. Hilgenberg and D. Tiffan reported about a meeting they attended in Sullivan regarding counties and towns becoming dementia friendly. The guest speaker was Sheila Gruel.

#### Chief of Police Report

Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department.

#### Public Works Supervisor's Report

Grant Corum reported for the Public Works Department. He highlighted recent projects including a water repair at the 500 block South Spruce Street and the rebuilding and repair of a catch basin at the northeast corner of Illinois Street and Hickory Street.

## Comptroller

• Erica Carter provided the Treasurer's report. Erica went over the details of income and expenses. The Village has spent 53% of this year's budget with less than one month remaining in the year.

## Village Attorney Report

Kenny Crossman had no report.

## **Unfinished Business**

• M. Bernius reported on a quote from Loretta Gingerich to clean the Municipal/Community Building. The cost would be \$300.00 for the initial deep cleaning, then \$100.00 per month for twice-a-month cleaning. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the initial and routine cleaning by Loretta Gingerich at this rate. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Kenny Crossman reported that a public hearing is needed to exchange the north side of the old railroad track (50 feet) for an easement to Mill Street for the sanitary sewer system. M. Bernius made a motion to hold a public hearing on May 15, 2023 for the exchange of real property with Clarence Borntreger. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- 2. C. Miller reported that three applications were received for the 2023-2024 Local Tourism Grant. The Tourism Committee met and recommended giving \$7,200.00 to Simply Arthur, \$4,500.00 to the Illinois Amish Heritage Center, and \$2,500.00 to the Arthur Area

Association of Commerce. C. Miller made a motion to accept these recommendations as submitted. T. Dukeman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

3. Chief Goodman reported that body camera use will be required for all officers by January 1, 2025. Chief Goodman reported on the different cameras and quotes he has researched. He also met with the Police Committee regarding the purchase of body cameras, and the quote they are recommending includes ten cameras with all the equipment and software needed. Chief Goodman noted that there are many grant opportunities that could reimburse a portion of the cost. D. Tiffan made a motion to approve a quote by BECK TECH for police body camera equipment in the amount of \$50,000.00 payable over five years. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

4. Grant Corum provided a list of six areas in the Village needing asphalt patch and repair work. J. Fleming made a motion to approve the proposal for various asphalt patches throughout the Village by Ne-Co Asphalt Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. M. Hilgenberg seconded. Trustees Bernius, Hilgenberg, Dukeman, Fleming, and Tiffan

voted YEA. Trustee Miller abstained. Motion passed.

5. M. Bernius made a motion to hire Caleb Corum and Kody Kornewald as part-time seasonal summer help for the Public Works Department at a wage of \$14.00 per hour. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

6. C. Miller made a motion to enter Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. M. Bernius made a motion to return to Open Session. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees

voted YEA.

M. Bernius made a motion to accept the employee payroll raises for FY2023-2024 as submitted. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

7. M. Bernius commended the Board and all departments for staying within the budget this fiscal year. T. Dukeman made a motion to approve the FY2023-2024 budget proposal. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

8. J. Fleming made a motion to enter Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. T. Dukeman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. M. Bernius made a motion to return to Open Session. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

M. Bernius made a motion to extend Sargeant Shaun Meredith's suspension by thirty more days without pay, but with the option to use his vacation time. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

## **General Discussion**

none

Adjourn

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to adjourn. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:17pm.

Village President