

August 7, 2023

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

Pledge of Allegiance

- President Randall asked D. Tiffan to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

- Visitors present were Jeremy Hale and Steve Howell.

Consent Agenda

- C. Miller made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the June 19, 2023 Economic and Tourism Committee Meeting Minutes and the July 24, 2023 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$54,537.85. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall had no report.

Trustees' Reports

- M. Bernius noted concerns about the newly paved parking lot on Walnut Street. Several trailers, cars, and boats have been using the lot for long-term parking. Kenny Crossman stated that an ordinance would be necessary to change the rules of parking there. This issue will be investigated further.
- M. Hilgenberg thanked Grant Corum and Public Works for the work they have done on several intersections in town.

Chief of Police Report

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. The Chief will be attending Police Academy graduation on August 25 for officer Deborah Mullins. Colt Heston will start at the academy on August 30.
- Chief Goodman put an advertisement in the Arthur Graphic for a crossing guard for this school year. He also wrote a letter to the editor regarding school safety and speed zones.
- Chief Goodman hopes to get all the body cams ready to use by September 13. He also updated the Board on issues with several Police vehicles.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Grant Corum provided reports from the Public Works Department. Grant provided details about the work at the intersection of Ash Street and Lincoln Street, where an unmapped, brick manhole was discovered. The intersection should reopen later this week.

Village Attorney Report

- Kenny Crossman reported that the Zoning Board is meeting next Thursday, August 17 to discuss variance requests.

Unfinished Business

- Discussion took place on a new telephone policy for Village employees and their families. Three options were discussed. No action was taken due to lack of a motion.

New Business

1. M. Bernius made a motion to approve a Temporary Sign Application for the MCC Relief Sale. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
2. Pictures and quotes were provided for a TIF Façade Grant request for the Steve's Barber Styling building at 236 South Vine Street, Arthur, Illinois. J. Fleming made a motion to

approve \$10,000.00 of the project (the total project cost being \$26,340.00). I. Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

3. C. Miller provided details about a request from Blondie's Bar to host a beer garden during the Cheese Festival. M. Bernius made a motion to allow the use of Village-owned property to serve alcoholic beverages during the Amish Country Cheese Festival on Saturday, September 1 through Monday, September 3 on the street in direct proximity to Blondie's Bar at 113 East Progress Street. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
4. Chief Goodman reported on the need for new office furnishings in the Police Department. He provided pictures and proposals which were discussed. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the purchase of office furnishings for the Police Department in the amount of \$2,425.00. I. Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
5. M. Bernius made a motion to approve a Residential Listing Agreement for Meadowview Subdivision real estate lot sales with Legacy Land Co. to July 19, 2024. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
6. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve a Residential Listing Agreement for Meadowview Subdivision real estate lot sales with Westfork Auction & Real Estate LLC to July 19, 2024. C. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
7. Grant Corum provided a map and details about the possible sale of the west portion of Progress Street water tower lot. He noted that the Village does not use this area. The motion was tabled until an ordinance could be made declaring it as excess property.
8. Pictures and information were presented and discussed for a Sesquicentennial coin design. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the Sesquicentennial coin design. J. Fleming seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

General Discussion

- Tyler Kauffman asked for permission to sell donuts on the lot next to Binion's Barbershop on Saturday, August 12.
- Grant Corum received plans from AT&T about a possible tower on Mill Street.

Adjourn

- C. Miller made a motion to adjourn. I. Gutierrez seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:42pm.

APPROVED _____



Village President

ATTEST _____



Village Clerk

DATE _____

8-21-23