

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARGENTA, ILLINOIS
#24-03-18 R03
MONDAY MARCH 18, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.
VILLAGE HALL, 330 N WARREN STREET, ARGENTA, ILLINOIS

Call to Order: Mayor Luedke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Mayor Luedke and Trustees Kaufman, Berry, Ryan, and Metsker were present. Trustee Barker and Mitchell were absent. Clerk Sherry Koszesza, Public Works Director Derick Fisher were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2024, #24-02-20 R02
2. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of February 20, 2024, #24-02-20 E01
3. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2024, #24-03-06 SM01
4. Approval of Disbursements #24-03-18 D03
5. Approval of Bank Reconciliations #24-03-18 BR03
 - A motion was made by Trustee Kaufman with a second by Trustee Berry to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker =	Absent	Berry =	Yes
Kaufman =	Yes	Ryan =	Yes
Mitchell =	Absent	Metsker =	Yes

Motion carried.

Public Comment: There was none.

Recognition of Visitors: There were none.

Department Reports:

1. Village Staff Reports. Larry Huffman has been tilling up and seeding some spots from main breaks and meter pit repairs. Public Works Director Derick Fisher updated the Board about the drainage concerns at Prairie and Kenwood. They dug 2 inspection spots. The tile is clear, and water is flowing. They are going to jet North Street from Buckleys to East and East from North to the School. #2 pump is here. It will be installed April 1 and should take about 3 days. Derick is doing a lot of GIS mapping of our systems.
2. Mayor's Report. Mayor Luedke informed the Board that the Village has purchased the property on Rt. 48. Closing will be the 1st week of April. Desks will be delayed because Ron had an accident with a table saw. Trustee Barker is in the hospital in Springfield. Mayor Luedke talked to Matt Foster about getting our MFT program submitted.
3. Attorney's Report. There was none.

Old Business: There was none.

New Business:

- Discuss/Vote to approve Appropriation Ordinance 24-03-18 Ord 02. Mayor Luedke said that Perry Welker and Larry Coloni have not had a raise for over 5 years, and she would like to add a salary increase from \$30 per hour to \$35 per hour. The Board agreed.

- A motion was made by Trustee Ryan with a second by Trustee Kaufman to approve Appropriation Ordinance 24-03-18 Ord 02 with changes for salaries.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker	=	Absent	Berry	=	Yes
Kaufman	=	Yes	Ryan	=	Yes
Mitchell	=	Absent	Metsker	=	Yes

Motion carried.

- Discuss/Vote to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Friends Creek Township for the construction and use of a shared salt storage building. The attorney does not have the agreement ready. Tabled until April meeting.
- Discuss/Vote to purchase new police car from Bob Ridings/Pana – State Bid Dealership. Sgt. Atkins got specs for a new police vehicle. The Board has the information for a Durango and an Explorer. Sgt. Atkins prefers the V6 over the V8 engine. The wait time for a car is 3 to 4 months. The Board would like Mayor Luedke to see if she can order the marked patrol with a V6.

- A motion was made by Trustee Berry with a second by Trustee Ryan to purchase new police car from Bob Ridings/Pana

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker	=	Absent	Berry	=	Yes
Kaufman	=	Yes	Ryan	=	Yes
Mitchell	=	Absent	Metsker	=	Yes

Motion carried.

Trustee Berry asked about transferring additional funds to Illinois Funds. Several Board members would like the transfer done as soon as possible. Sherry will look at the bank account balance and decide how much to transfer.

Closed Session:

Open Session:

Adjournment

- A motion was made by Trustee Ryan with a second by Trustee Kaufman to adjourn at 6:59 p.m.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker	=	Absent	Berry	=	Yes
Kaufman	=	Yes	Ryan	=	Yes
Mitchell	=	Absent	Metsker	=	Yes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Clerk Sherry Koszesza