



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARGENTA, ILLINOIS**  
**#23-09-18 R09**  
**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 @ 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 Barker, Kaufman, Berry, Ryan, and Metsker were present. Trustee Mitchell was absent. Clerk Sherry Koszesza, Public Works Director Derick Fisher were also present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2023, #23-08-21 R08
2. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of August 21, 2023, #23-08-21 E04
3. Approval of Disbursements #23-09-18 D09
4. Approval of Bank Reconciliations #23-09-18 BR09
  - Trustee Kaufman moved and Trustee Metsker seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker =	Yes	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. Public Works Director Derick Fisher informed the Board that there was a water main break on North Street last week. It has been repaired. The hydrant auto-flusher is installed and working great. We have a second one on order. Derick was talking with someone at the IRWA conference, and we should talk to Ameren when we start talking about lighting for the new water plant. The mower is out for repairs. Derick would like to start thinking about trading our mower for a John Deere, or we can keep this one and have two mowers. He talked to Knisely Concrete about the sidewalk on Walnut Street. It will be replaced. There are a couple of other spots that will be replaced also. It will be done before winter.
2. Mayor's Report. The Village received the refund from CUSI. We have received insurance money for the trees and the generator that were damaged in the storm in June. We are still waiting to hear from IL Funds. GFL change their garbage pickup days from Tuesday to Monday beginning on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>. Clean up day is Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. Trick or Treat Oct 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Still no money to help demolish the building on North Street. 300 N North is now an issue with overgrown trees. It has been turned over to Attorney Ed Flynn. The Village burn pile is being abused by people that don't live in town and people dumping decking

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material. The board suggested getting some trail cams or Video Surveillance signs. Derick asked if we were doing the leaf cleanup again. The Board would like to.

3. Attorney's Report. There was no report.

**Old Business:**

➤ Discuss/Vote to extend waste hauling contract with GFL Environmental. Trustee Barker asked if we had gotten any other companies to give us any pricing. We did not seek other pricing. We are just extending this contract.

➤ Trustee Berry moved and Trustee Metsker seconded to approve to extend waste hauling contract with GFL Environmental.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

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

Motion carried.

**New Business:** There was none.

**Closed Session:**

**Open Session:**

**Adjournment**

➤ Trustee Ryan moved, and Trustee Kaufman seconded, to adjourn at 6:48 p.m.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

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

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

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Minutes taken by Clerk Sherry Koszesza