

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
MAY 11, 2020

A regular meeting of the Chairman and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arnold, Nebraska was held in the Multipurpose Room at the Arnold Community Center on Monday, May 11, 2020 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication and by posting notices at the following places: Facebook, Pinnacle Bank, Post Office, Reeds Food Center, and the Village Office. Said notice contained the statement that the agenda kept continuously current was available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk during normal business hours. Notice of this meeting and an agenda was given to the Board Members and all members present acknowledged receipt of said notice. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Chairman Glen Bowers called the meeting to order and Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, recorded the proceedings. On roll call the following were present: Glen Bowers, Donnell DeLosh, Scott McDowell, Aaron Olson, Tim Turley. Absent: none. A full council being present the following proceedings were had and done.

Chairman Glen Bowers publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is available for public inspection and is posted on the west wall of the meeting room in the Arnold Community Center. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, also brought an extra copy of the Open Meetings Act for public inspection.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on April 13, 2020 were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Turley and seconded by McDowell that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on April 13, 2020 be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Turley. Nay: none. Abstain: Olson. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in April:

04/13	Total Amount of Claims Approved & Paid	
		\$102,792.47
04/16	Nebraska Department of Revenue	
		4,120.74 Sales/Use Tax
04/30	Payroll	7,614.27
	Aflac	269.75 Payroll Deductions
	IRS	2,771.29 Payroll Taxes/Federal WH
	Nebraska Department of Revenue	
		405.72 State Withholding (April)

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS-APRIL \$117,974.24

The Treasurer's Report revealed there is \$89,503.56 in the General Fund; \$41,449.72 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate; \$196,548.13 in the Street Fund; \$14,577.34 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund; \$729,172.23 in the Electric Fund; \$130,744.08 in the Water Fund; \$79,765.08 in the Sewer Fund; (\$61,612.17) in the Solid Waste Fund; \$50,522.57 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account; \$131,402.11 in the Economic Development Fund; \$1,317.36 in the Community Development Agency Fund; \$10,885.00 in the Trust & Agency Funds as of April 30, 2020. After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by DeLosh that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Laboratory	158.41	Testing (WW)
Aupperle Plumbing & Heating	479.00	Pump Septic Tank
BARCO Municipal Products	314.45	Gutter Brooms
Mary Becker	168.33	Salary
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska	5,857.19	Health Insurance
BlueTarp Financial	239.97	Air Hose Reel/Discharge Hoses
City of North Platte	297.96	Tipping Fees
Country Partners Cooperative	622.99	Power Plant: Propane
Country Partners Cooperative	1,719.27	Diesel/Gas/Chemicals Scale Fees
DHHS	879.50	Plan Review Fee (Water Improvements 2020)
Dutton-Lainson Company	2,468.55	electric supplies
Eakes Office Solutions	21.36	office supplies
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Fastenal	88.21	Ear Muffs
Harvey Foran	988.08	Salary
Kenneth Goodenow Jr	1,050.77	Salary
Great Plains Communications	142.14	CC: Telephone/Internet
Great Plains Communications	433.66	Telephone/Internet
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Paula De Laune	461.75	CC: Salary

Ralph De Laune	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	1,135.50	Tipping Fees
Mid-American Research Chemical		
	343.08	Mosquito Briquet Dunks
Mills Hardware	78.75	water supplies
Mills Hardware	68.07	electric supplies
Mills Hardware	175.96	Street Expense
Mills Hardware	137.43	supplies
Mills Lawn	2,276.10	Lawn Service (Application #1)
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska		
	18,480.64	Electricity
Nansel's Best Service	391.49	Gas/Diesel/Filters/Hose...
Olsson	2,280.00	Engineering Fees
One Call Concepts, Inc.	4.84	One Call Fees
Pacific Funds	489.75	pension
Pinnacle Bank(VISA-Rusty)	90.00	Commercial Pesticide
		Applicator License Fee
Postmaster	210.00	Stamps
ShelCo Construction	7,500.00	Crack Sealing
T.C. Engineering Inc.	20,073.00	Engineering Fees (Flood)
The Arnold Sentinel	399.37	Publishing Fees
Village of Arnold	5,549.86	utilities
Village of Stapleton	495.00	Trucking Fees
Weathercraft Companies	26,756.37	Roof Replacement/New Gutter
		System (Street Shop)
Alexandra Weinman	35.00	Contract Labor (Janitorial)
Rusty Wyckoff	3.47	Salary
Custer Public Power District		
	36.83	Electricity
Menards	323.97	Paint Sprayer
Sargent Drilling Company	750.00	Efficiency Tests (Wells)
US Department of Energy	8,987.13	Electricity
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Total Amount of Claims	\$113,613.20	

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by McDowell that the claims be approved and paid as presented except for the claims payable to Country Partners Cooperative. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by McDowell and seconded by Olson to pay the claims payable to Country Partners Cooperative. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Abstain: DeLosh. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that Cheryl Carson, Economic Development Director, emailed the following update:

Directors Update:

*The paperwork for businesses who accepted the offer of COVID 19 payment deferment of LB840 loans has been completed.

***4 County Gift Card Program –**

Promotion of program in our Community of Arnold, messaging businesses in Arnold to let them know to participate. First contact focus was to be made on harder hit businesses that may have been shut down partially or completely like food establishments, salons, gun smith, boutiques, theater, etc. (Per the request of the program administrators)

Provided logos to the program administrators for the participating business for use on the order site. Notified and kept in contact with the Arnold Sentinel to give them a heads up of the program before it launched, as well as making sure they talked with Andrew Ambriz to get the direct story of the program.

Social media posts to promote the community. Every door direct flyer to make sure everyone in our postal area had knowledge of program to buy gift cards in support of local business.

The Great Park Pursuit, Arnold Lake Campground and Recreation Area –

The post marker for the Great Park Pursuit was delivered 1st of April. The Great Park Pursuit website is live and updated with the 2020 stops. Although the original start date is May 1st, the COVID 19 Pandemic is causing a postponement this year and a new start date has yet to be established. Any impressions made of GPP posts and submitted at this time will not be counted. Similarly, anything submitted via the mobile app is invalid. Information will be updated on the app, website (negpp.org), and the GPP Facebook page as it is available. New start date will be announced as soon as state leaders and public health officials have given the ok to start state wide travel. For the time being, participants are encouraged to take part in the Great Park Pursuit Backyard Challenge. Information on that can be found here <https://negpp.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Backyard-Challenge-Activity-Sheet.pdf>.

*BrewBakers is listed on the Nebraska Passport Stops for 2020. Stop into BrewBakers to get your passport book for the 2020 season, or go to Nebraska Passport to order one, and get started. Congratulations BrewBakers!

*TRAN - Tractor Ride Across Nebraska was scheduled to stop and stay overnight in Arnold on June 9th. This event has been canceled for the 2020 year, but they plan to stay next year during the 2021 ride.

*Delivered Four Welcome bags. Observing safe guidelines to deliver the bags.

*The mural on the north side of the AEDC building needs retouching. It has begun to peel, chip and deteriorate due to age and weather exposure. Repairs now would be much less expensive than letting it go longer, which could result in needing it to be completely replaced. I will get an estimate of the cost to retouch the mural.

After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by McDowell that the following claims be approved and paid as presented from the Economic Development Fund:

AEDC	\$1,460.71	Salary(C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	111.75	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
AEDC	96.07	Every Door Direct Mail (4 County Cash Back)
AEDC	16.25	Stamps
Borders Law Office	302.00	Attorney Fee
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Eakes Office Solutions	223.98	Office Supplies
Great Plains Communications	131.19	Telephone/Internet
MJK CPA PC	185.00	Bookkeeping Services
Mills Hardware	1.99	Office Supplies
The Arnold Sentinel	289.28	Printing Fees (Flyer - 4 County Cash Back)
Village of Arnold	101.75	Utilities
Alexandra Weinman	15.33	Contract Labor - Janitorial
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$2,985.30	

Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Reconsideration of the 1988 Dodge Dakota Pickup was the next item on the agenda. At the April 13th Board Meeting the Board had decided not to repair the pickup due to the torque converter that was leaking. Sandhills Motors estimated the cost to repair the Torque Converter at \$800.00. Discussion was held on either fixing the 1988 Dodge Dakota pickup or buying a different pickup. Doug De Laune, Village Superintendent, informed the Board, that Sandhills Motors has a 2012

½ Ton Pickup for \$15,000.00. It is a 4 Wheel Drive and has 58,000 miles. After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by McDowell to have the 1988 Dodge Dakota pickup repaired. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Consideration of buying a pickup will be discussed at a Budget Workshop.

Consideration of reopening the Community Center was the next item on the agenda. Patricia Lamberty informed the Board that she has had several calls from people that want to walk at the

Community Center. Discussion was held on COVID 19 and the Directed Health Measure. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Turley reopen the Community Center. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. The Board directed Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to post a sign on the door letting people know that the Community Center is not cleaned daily, to enter at your own risk and to follow COVID 19 guidelines.

After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by DeLosh to allow camping at the Arnold Recreation Area and to open the Bathrooms/Showers. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Signs will be posted on the Bathrooms/Showers stating that they are not cleaned daily and to use at your own risk.

After discussion, moved by Turley and seconded by McDowell to open up the Playground Equipment. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, will contact the Arnold Public School about making signs stating that the Playground Equipment is not sanitized and to follow COVID 19 guidelines.

Consideration of opening the Swimming Pool was the next item on the agenda. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that according to the Legislative Bulletin:

Many municipalities already have decided NOT to open their pools this summer; others are waiting for further guidance or a Directed Health Measure (DHM) from Governor Ricketts. The Governor stated several times during the League's "Governor/State Briefings" on Wednesday afternoons that he does not recommend opening swimming pools before July 15. Although it is not a DHM, the Governor said he will issue further guidance by the middle of May.

Discussion was held on the Swimming Pool. Scott McDowell asked when Arnold Pool Company was going to sandblast and paint the pool. Doug De Laune, Village Superintendent, stated that the swimming pool will be sandblasted and painted by the end of the month. It takes ten days for the paint to cure. The earliest opening date for the swimming pool would be approximately June 15, 2020. Shavonne Schacher, Pool Manager, explained to the Board that the Department of Environment and Energy is granting an extension for lifeguard certification through August 30, 2020. For CPR requirements, the Department will accept online courses for an extension through December 31, 2020. Historically, the Department has required CPR training to be in-person. Shavonne Schacher stated that this is only for renewals, for a new

lifeguard to become certified they would need to complete both an in-person lifeguard and CPR certification. After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by DeLosh to open the Swimming Pool provided the Governor or a DHM mandates that it be closed. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that FEMA has determined that the following projects are ineligible for Public Assistance Funding:

100 to 200 Block of East 2nd Ave
100 Block of West Adam Ave
100 Block of North Haskell Street

FEMA does not provide Public Assistance funding for repair unless the damage results from the declared disaster event (4420DR-NE). On July 30, 2019 FEMA had conducted a second site inspection. The types of road damages observed during the site inspection were documented and photographed. FEMA determined that the road exposure and surface small pockets of rock displacement observed on the roads is commonly caused by traffic load and use, and normal deterioration of the road surface that occurs over a period of time. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the status of the 100 to 500 Block of Cedar Street is pending ineligibility review.

Consideration of Street Improvements was the next item on the agenda. The Board discussed that there are several streets that need the sub base fixed and then resurfaced. The Board directed Doug De Laune, Village Superintendent, to repair the streets as needed.

Doug De Laune, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that Sargent Drilling performed the annual well and pump tests on the Village's wells. There are no concerns at this time.

Doug De Laune informed the Board that there have been problems at the Wastewater Plant. The gear box went out and a new one has been ordered. Doug De Laune stated that it appears that there was not any lubricant in the gear box. The lubricant should have been added at the time of installation. Doug De Laune stated that he has contacted the Contractor regarding the matter. The Board discussed that the gear box needs to be checked and a maintenance log kept.

Donnell DeLosh informed the Board that he had a business owner approach him regarding electric rates. The business owner told Donnell DeLosh that several businesses had contacted him to be the spokesperson about the high electric rates. Discussion was held on the Annual Electric, Water & Sewer Rate Survey conducted by Nebraska Municipal Power Pool. Patricia

Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that 144 towns of all sizes responded to the survey. Arnold is above average on electric and is well below average on water and sewer. Discussion was held that there is one more phase of the Voltage Conversion & Rebuild Project to be completed. The project will cost \$250,000+. The Board decided to wait until after the Voltage Conversion & Rebuild – Phase 5 Project is completed before considering lowering the electric rates.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed that Board that the Village received \$25.90 from Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency for 5.18 Tons of Cardboard. This also saved the Village \$165.76 in tipping fees.

Doug De Laune, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that the new campsites at the Arnold Recreation Area are almost completed.

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Glen Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.