

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
April 11, 2022

A regular meeting of the Chairman and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arnold, Nebraska, was held in the meeting room at the Arnold Community Center on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 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, Reed's 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, Zach Hagler, and Brent Kulp. Absent: Aaron Olson. A quorum 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.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on March 14, 2022, were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on March 14, 2022, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in March:

03/14 Total Amount of Claims Approved & Paid

\$ 87,928.20

03/24 Arnold Volunteer Fire Department

250.00 Donation (Use of
Floodlights)

03/31 Payroll

10,185.01

Aflac

517.85 Payroll Deductions

IRS

3,364.99 Payroll Taxes/Federal WH

Nebraska Department of Revenue

475.22 State Withholding

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$102,721.27

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

\$159,213.25 in the General Fund
\$ 38,911.32 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate
\$188,049.44 in the Street Fund
\$ 22,329.98 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund
\$769,345.32 in the Electric Fund
\$ 71,444.63 in the Water Fund
\$ 50,264.52 in the American Rescue Plan Act Fund
\$ 90,850.79 in the Sewer Fund
\$ 1,828.22 in the Solid Waste Fund
\$ 51,572.73 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account
\$208,758.00 in the Economic Development Fund
\$ 2,743.68 in the Community Development Agency Fund
\$ 12,245.85 in the Trust & Agency Funds

as of March 31, 2022. After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by Kulp that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Lab		
	\$ 121.18	Testing (WW)
Arnold Insurance Agency	18,432.00	Insurance - Quarterly Premium
Arnold Pool Company	4,709.26	Pool Expense
Bailar Power Systems	72.00	Contract Labor
Mary Becker	423.74	Salary
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska		
	8,385.16	Health Insurance
Borders Law Office	150.00	Attorney Fee
Callaway District Hospital	30.00	Random Drug Testing
City of North Platte	918.29	Tipping Fees
Paula DeLaune	507.92	CC: Salary
Doug DeLaune	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Dutton-Lainson Company	1,375.32	electric supplies
Eakes Office Solutions	276.99	office supplies
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Harvey Foran	1,116.79	Salary
Harvey Foran	105.30	Mileage (NeRWA Annual Conf)
Kenneth Goodenow Jr	230.50	Salary
Great Plains Communications		
	531.13	Telephone/Internet
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement

Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency	691.52	Tipping Fees
Menards	46.99	CC: Clear Acrylic Sheet
Menards	70.47	Electric Supplies
Menards	161.14	Office Expense
Mid-American Research Chemical	462.60	Room Deodorizer (Aerosol)
Mills Hardware	661.63	Electric Expense
Mills Hardware	121.80	Office Expense
Mills Hardware	83.71	Park Expense
Mills Hardware	109.41	Sewer Supplies
Mills Hardware	582.76	Street Expense
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska	22,856.31	Electricity
Municipal Supply, Inc.	2,164.64	water supplies
NE Public Health Environmental Lab	294.00	Testing (Water)
NMVCA	40.00	Registration Fee (Rusty Mosquito Control Workshop)
Nansel's Best Service	582.63	Diesel/Gas/Hydraulic Oil
Nebraska Department of Labor	107.32	1 st Quarter Unemployment
Nebraska Department of Revenue	4,447.19	Sales/Use Tax
Nebraska Municipal Power Pool	700.88	Membership Dues
Nebraska Rural Water Association	395.00	Registration Fee (Harv - NeRWA Annual Conf)
One Call Concepts, Inc.	13.45	One Call Fees
Pacific Funds	660.75	Pension
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	89.87	Office Expense
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	311.38	Lodging (Harv-NeRWA Annual Conf)
Postmaster	280.00	Stamps
Red Arrow Truck Wash	81.00	Truck Wash (Trash Truck)
Red Fern Electric	866.04	Contract Labor/Materials (Office)
Reeds Food Center	138.50	Supplies
T.C. Engineering Inc.	300.00	Engineering Fees
The Arnold Sentinel	783.71	Printing & Publishing Fees
Titan Machinery	161.00	Headlamp (Loader)
Village of Arnold	6,478.51	Utilities
WESCO Receivables Corp	6,185.70	Electric Supplies
Rusty Wyckoff	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
American Agricultural Laboratory	64.00	Testing (WW)

Country Partners Cooperative	3,919.55	Diesel/Propane/Scale Fees
Country Partners Cooperative	1,176.62	Power Plant: Propane
Custer Public Power District	45.10	Electricity
Dana F. Cole & Company	1,700.00	Auditor Fees (Final Billing)
Petty Cash Fund	131.10	Postage
US Department of Energy	11,668.01	Electricity
USA Blue Book	82.84	sewer supplies
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Total Amount of Claims	\$107,302.71	

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

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

Cheryl Carson, Economic Development Director, presented AEDC's update:

AEDC is going to advertise for Arnold Businesses on KNOP TV. The 2022 commercials are for promoting tourism to Arnold. (Categories – Spa Day and Wellness Opportunities, Retail Shopping, Dining, Events and Outdoor Opportunities.)

I attended the Arnold Foundation's Community Vision Meeting on March 16th

I attended Bridging Nebraska's Digital Divide on March 21st. This was a state-wide event to collectively seek solutions for improved broadband service.

I will attend the Chamber Meeting on April 25th to help the Custer County Economic Development's Director facilitate a round table discussion with Arnold businesses. Discussion will focus on promotion of businesses with open job opportunities, attracting/recruiting and retaining workforce as well as skill training needed.

Website / Facebook /Advertising:

I continually update the Website and Facebook. I create advertising campaigns, videos on Facebook and Visit Nebraska for events and businesses. I advertise events thru TV commercials, Newsmakers program, print ads, social media, and the newspaper. I take advantage of free webinars. I attend Arnold Chamber, Custer County Tourism Visitors (CCTV), Custer County Economic Development (CCED) and other meetings when needed.

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

AEDC	\$1,984.88	Salary (C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	151.84	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
Cheryl Carson	49.47	Mileage to North Platte (Broadband Workshop)
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Kristi Dvorak	260.00	Website Updates
Kristi Dvorak	150.00	Quarterly Website Hosting Fees
Great Plains Communications	126.27	Telephone/Internet
KNOP	13.62	Production Costs (TV Commercials)
Runza Meeting)	193.10	Cookies (Community Vision
Village of Arnold	133.30	Utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$3,112.48	

Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Irv Jennings, representing Arnold Rotary, attended the meeting to discuss the proposed project of an intermittent fence around the Recycling Trailer/Dumpsters on West Washington Avenue. Irv Jennings stated that he has concerns about the strength of an intermittent fence and would rather go with a continuous fence. The fence would be one foot from the ground to allow for snow to blow underneath it. Brent Kulp stated that he accompanied Tory Edwards on the trash truck and that a fence would not cause problems. Irv Jennings said that Arnold Rotary is looking for approval from the Board to proceed with this project and that he will bring specifics to the Board as the project progresses. After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by DeLosh that Arnold Rotary is authorized to proceed on said project. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Rich Eymann, Electrical Distribution O & M Specialist with NMPP Energy, and Matt Reed, Distributed Resources & Generation Specialist with NMPP Energy, attended the meeting to give an update on the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project. AMI is an integrated metering infrastructure of smart meters, communication networks, and data management systems that enable two-way communication between local electric utilities and customers. Utilities can implement a cost-effective AMI System through the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool's AMI service. One of the benefits is the elimination of manual meter readings and data entry. Rich Eymann stated that by mid-summer that a final cost for the AMI project will be available to the participating communities. Currently the estimate for the AMI project for Arnold is \$178,435.37

(includes meter installation). There will be an annual fee based on the number of meters. Contracts for the AMI Service will be ready for the Board's consideration by late third quarter or early fourth quarter. Implementation of the AMI project would begin in the first or second quarter of 2023.

Rich Eymann stated that Doug DeLaune, Village Superintendent, contacted him about the power outage on Sunday, April 10th. Rich Eymann talked with Custer Public Power District and there were transmission issues. Discussion was held on installing automated generators that would provide power to the entire town. No action was taken.

Consideration of converting the tennis courts to pickleball courts was the next item on the agenda. Jimi Cole and Pam Long attended the meeting regarding the matter. Pickleball is a paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels and is the fastest growing sport in the United States. Jimi Cole stated that they originally hoped to get permission to convert the tennis courts at Old Mill Park to pickleball courts but the concrete needs a lot of work. Jimi Cole stated that the concrete at the basketball court located at 100 Block of West Jefferson is in better shape. Jimi Cole presented quotes on materials to convert the basketball court to a pickleball court. Jimi Cole stated that she and Pam Long will donate their time to paint the court. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Kulp to authorize up to \$2,000 from the Edna B. Peterson fund to convert the basketball court to a pickleball court. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Heather Hagler, representing the Devil's Den Motorcycle Organization, attended the meeting to request permission to hold the Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally on Friday, July 8th, and Saturday, July 9th, at the Arnold Recreation Area. The Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally would be held on the north side of the Arnold Recreation Area (West of the Picnic Shelter). They would like to block off the road at the Arnold Recreation Area beginning on Thursday, July 7th. After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by DeLosh that permission be granted to hold the Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally on July 8th and July 9th at the Arnold Recreation Area for a fee of \$150.00 and that permission be granted to block off the road July 7th – July 10th. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Kulp to approve the Arnold Golf Association's Application for a Special Designated Liquor License for the Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally at the Arnold Recreation Area for Friday, July 8th, from 4:00 P.M. to 1:00

A.M. and for Saturday, July 9th, from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 A.M. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the following options from EMC Insurance for the 2019 Bobcat T770 Skid Steer:

Net Settlement \$60,500.00 – EMC takes possession of Skid Steer

Net Settlement \$30,500.00 – Village retains Skid Steer

After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by DeLosh to accept the net settlement of \$60,500.00 from EMC Insurance for the Bobcat Skid Steer. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Consideration of the quotes for a Skid Steer was the next item on the agenda. The following quotes were submitted:

Titan Machinery T770 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader	\$72,478.40
North Platte Kubota SVL97-2HFC Compact Track Loader	\$73,115.05

Neil Coleman attended the meeting regarding the matter. Neil Coleman stated that the Bobcat Compact Track Loader has a 2 year/ 2000 hour warranty. An extended warranty for 60 months/ 2000 hours is \$2,200.00. Neil Coleman stated that Titan Machinery would buy the tracks from the T770 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader since the Village already has specialized tracks. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler to accept the quote from Titan Machinery for a T770 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader (\$72,478.40) with the extended warranty (\$2,200.00 less \$1,000.00 for the tracks) and to authorize Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to issue a check for \$73,678.40. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the Village received a letter from the Department of Economic Development. The letter was the notice of release of funds in the amount of \$37,500.00. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) award funds may now be obligated (contracted) as of March 24, 2022. The grant will be used for an updated comprehensive plan, zoning ordinances, and a comprehensive housing study. Cheryl Carson, Economic Development Director stated that the next step is to put a Steering Committee together to begin the process and to send Request for Proposals for a Planning Consultant. The following have agreed to be on the Steering Committee:

Glen Bowers, Chairman of the Village Board
Doug DeLaune, Zoning Administrator
Mike Harvey, Planning Commission Member
Gary Larreau, Planning Commission Member
Cheryl Carson, Economic Development Director

The individuals are currently working with the Comprehensive Plan, have knowledge of building codes, zoning, and working with Ordinances. The steering committee will be responsible for working directly with Central Nebraska Economic Development District (CNEDD), Village Board, Planning Commission and the Planning Consultant to help update the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinances, as well as conducting a comprehensive Housing Study. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Kulp to appoint the following individuals to the Steering Committee: Glen Bowers, Cheryl Carson, Doug DeLaune, Mike Harvey and Gary Larreau. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried. Consideration of the Request for Proposals for professional services to update the following Village plans: Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinances, as well as conducting a comprehensive Housing Study will be on the May 9th agenda.

Consideration of the proposal from Jack Mullins, DBA Tri-State Paving for Street Improvements for the following streets:

Hillcrest Street (Between Lincoln & Madison)

Regrind street in front of Arnold Motel & Trailer Court; add fly ash, relevel and compact, double armor coat with granite rock \$10,980.00

Cedar Street (Between Jefferson & Tyler)

Regrind shoulders 12 feet wide on each side; add fly ash and compact; double armor coat with granite rock \$34,636.00

After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by DeLosh to accept the proposal from Tri-State Paving for Street Improvements on Hillcrest Street (between Lincoln & Madison) and Cedar Street (between Jefferson & Tyler) and that Chairman Glen Bowers is authorized to sign the necessary documents. . Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by DeLosh to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE VILLAGE'S OFFICE DESKS

The Village of Arnold will accept sealed bids up to and

including May 9, 2022 for the Village's Office Desks. The sealed bids will be opened at the regular board meeting on May 9, 2022. A check or money order for the bid must be enclosed. Checks and/or money orders will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders. (Desks will be available upon the delivery of the new furniture.) Notice of this sale will be published in the Arnold Sentinel and a copy of this Resolution will be posted in three prominent places within the Village. The Village reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. For More Information, contact Patty Lamberty, Village Clerk, at (308) 848-2228. A copy of this Resolution will be posted in three prominent places within the Village.

The Chairman put the Resolution to a vote. Those voting FOR PASSAGE: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Those voting AGAINST PASSAGE: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by Hagler to accept the Audit for Fiscal Year Ending September 2021 as prepared. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Tom Werblow, Village Engineer, attended the meeting to give the Board an update on the Major Modification Permit Application for the Construction & Demolition (C & D) Landfill. Tom Werblow informed the Board that the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE) has completed a review of the permit application for the major modification and is requesting additional information. Tom Werblow also discussed the requirements under the **NEW** Industrial Storm Water General Permit for C & D Landfills. There are additional implementation measures for this permit. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler to authorize Tom Werblow, Village Engineer, to continue working on the Major Modification Permit Application for the Construction & Demolition Landfill and to submit the Notice of Intent (NOI) for the Industrial Storm Water General Permit coverage. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by DeLosh to issue a check for \$27,623.97 to T.C. Engineering for Invoice #22032 for engineering fees to date for the Major Modification Permit Application for the C & D Landfill. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Nay: none. Absent: Olson. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board:

■ Community Clean Up Day has been set for April 25th. Rain Date is May 2nd.

- Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) is proposing a 18.1% increase in the firm demand rate and a 15.1% increase in the firm energy rate. The new rates would be in effect from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027. The annual impact to Arnold with the new rates would be approximately \$23,700.00.
- Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) Board of Directors approved a six percent increase in MEAN's energy rate and a two percent increase in the wind energy rate for energy sales from MEAN's wind-generation resources. There will be a two percent reduction in the overall fixed cost recovery charge allocation to participants. The annual impact to Arnold will be approximately \$3,900.00.

Doug DeLaune, Village Superintendent, informed the Board

- Jessica Lamphear will contract with the Village for janitorial duties at the Community Center and the Parks @ \$20.00 per hour
- Tri State Paving will crack seal at 38 cents per foot which is the same as last year

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Glen Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.