ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
May 9, 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, May 9, 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, Brent Kulp, Aaron Olson. 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.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on April 11, 2022, were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Hagler and seconded by DeLosh that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on April 11, 2022, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp. Nay: none. Abstain: Olson. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in April:

04/11	**Total Amount of Claims Approved & Paid**	**$107,302.71**	
04/12	T.C. Engineering	27,623.97	Engineering Fees (C & D Site)
04/19	Titan Machinery	73,678.40	T770 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader
04/29	Payroll	10,185.01	
	Aflac	517.85	Payroll Deductions
	IRS	3,436.15	Payroll Taxes/Federal WH

Nebraska Department of Revenue
481.99 State Withholding

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS $223,226.08

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

$147,369.99 in the General Fund
$ 38,911.32 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate
$179,365.19 in the Street Fund
$ 22,939.96 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund
$775,643.10 in the Electric Fund
$ 71,509.08 in the Water Fund
$ 50,264.52 in the American Rescue Plan Act Fund
$ 91,935.07 in the Sewer Fund
$ (24,216.49) in the Solid Waste Fund
$ 51,574.78 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account
$216,250.90 in the Economic Development Fund
$ 3,058.76 in the Community Development Agency Fund
$ 12,435.00 in the Trust & Agency Funds

as of April 30, 2022. After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by Olson that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Lab	$ 158.41	Testing (WW)
Arnold Public School	200.00	Liquor License (The Exchange)
Mary Becker	370.28	Salary
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska	8,385.16	Health Insurance
Borders Law Office	150.00	Attorney Fee
CNA Surety Direct Bill	300.00	Treasurer Bond
CNA Surety Direct Bill	164.00	Public Employees Blanket Bond
Capital One Trade Credit	239.98	Wet/Dry Turbo Diamond Blade
City of North Platte	1,112.12	Tipping Fees
Country Partners Cooperative	1,344.71	Power Plant: Propane
Country Partners Cooperative	1,990.83	Diesel/Gas/Propane/Scale Fees
Dave Crow	8.00	Double Strength Glass
Doug DeLaune	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Dutton-Lainson Company	1,054.76	Electric Supplies
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement

Harvey Foran	960.54	Salary
Kenneth Goodenow Jr	144.20	Salary
Great Plains Communications	531.13	Telephone/Internet
Inland Truck Parts Company	3,218.29	Parts/Labor (Peterbilt Trash Truck)
Johnny on the Spot	280.00	Old Mill Park: Portable Toilets
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Jessica Lamphear	260.00	Contract Labor (Janitorial)
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency	769.92	Tipping Fees
Menards	27.99	Park Expense
Mills Hardware	103.26	Water Supplies
Mills Hardware	25.44	Electric Supplies
Mills Hardware	508.82	Street Expense
Mills Hardware	174.20	CC Expense
Mills Hardware	117.36	Office Expense
Mills Hardware	112.13	Sewer Expense
Mills Hardware	469.63	Park Expense
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska	20,544.87	Electricity
NE Public Health Environmental Lab	91.50	Testing (Water)
Nansel's Best Service	403.52	Gas
Nebraska Municipal Power Pool	500.00	Utility Training Service
Nebraska Rural Water Association	125.00	Membership Dues
One Call Concepts, Inc.	10.88	One Call Fees
Orkin	85.00	Pest Control (April)
Orkin	979.20	Pest Control Services (Annual - Prepayment)
Pacific Funds	660.75	Pension
Paulsen, Inc.	873.50	Concrete (City Park)
Petty Cash Fund	107.35	Postage
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	59.04	Donuts (Community Clean Up)
Postmaster	580.00	Stamps
Reed's Food Center	101.72	supplies
The Arnold Sentinel	880.61	Printing & Publishing Fees
Travelers - RMD	1,003.00	Workers Comp (Volunteer Firemen & EMTs)
Village of Arnold	5,015.65	Utilities
Village of Stapleton	261.25	Trucking Fees
Viter Services, Inc.	300.00	ARA: Stump Removal
Rusty Wyckoff	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement

Custer Public Power District	44.83	Electricity
HireRight, LLC	35.70	Random Drug Testing
Red Arrow Truck Wash	107.00	Truck Wash (Trash Truck)
US Department of Energy	9,381.13	Electricity
Uline	77.04	CC: Trash Can Liners

Total Amount of Claims $65,609.70

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson 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, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. 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, Olson. Nay: none. Abstain: DeLosh. Absent: none. Motion carried.

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

- I will attend the May 16th special meeting with CAC (Citizen Advisory Committee) to discuss a proposed possible amendment to the Arnold Economic Development Plan. The plan currently states a qualifying business need not be located within the territorial boundaries of the Village *but it should be within the Arnold School District.* The proposed change to the amendment would allow a qualifying business to participate if they are outside of the Arnold School District, as long as the activity or project is of benefit within the territorial boundaries of the Arnold School District. If the CAC recommends an amendment to the Arnold Economic Development Plan then it will go to the Village Board for their consideration. The Village Board will have to have a public hearing on the proposed amendment..

- CCED / AEDC Round Table Discussion @ Arnold Chamber meeting on April 25th . Keith Ellis with Custer County Economic Development, lead evening discussion. Several businesses were represented, providing an opportunity for owners to share what matters to them, challenges they have faced and success stories. Thank you to all who participated!

- NRCA – Nebraska Rod & Custom Association will be in Arnold for only the **morning** of June 5th. Once again, the group of 400 automobiles will be gathered at the Arnold Community Center around 9:15 to take a break before they head out on the road again at 10:30. Arnold Rotary will be in charge of the morning snack of donuts and beverages. Rotary is using this opportunity for a fundraiser for the Arnold Youth Investment Fund and will welcome our guests to Arnold. Gather the family, come down to the Arnold Community Center, grab a donut and enjoy the unique automobiles.

- BRAN June 7th - Volunteers are needed to organize services for BRAN (Bicycle Ride across Nebraska) They will be stopping in Arnold on June 7th. They are expected around noon or soon after. They would like to have a Grab and Go snack area North of

Arnold and then a central area to stop while in Arnold for a possible meal. They will then move on to Callaway for the night. Please contact Cheryl Carson at the AEDC office if you or your group is interested in coordinating a stop in Arnold for the BRAN riders.

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 Olson that the following claims be approved and paid as presented from the Economic Development Fund:

AEDC	$1,866.79	Salary(C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	142.81	Payroll Taxes – Reimbursement
Borders Law Office	50.00	Attorney Fee
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Great Plains Communications	167.27	Telephone/Internet
Gunther Fireworks	500.00	Tourism (Fireworks – Donation)
Integrated Computer Systems	105.00	Computer Expense
Integrated Computer Systems	905.25	Computer Expense (Yearly Maintenance/Support)
Village of Arnold	121.69	Utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	**$3,908.81**	

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

Comments from the floor:

Andrew Tickle, Fire Chief, suggested that people be encouraged to put house numbers on their house. It would help the emergency responders. An ad will be put in the paper to encourage people to put numbers on their houses.

Caleb Poore, Chief Financial Officer of Callaway District Hospital and Medical Clinics, attended the meeting regarding the Arnold Medical Clinic Project. Caleb Poore informed the Board that the Callaway District Hospital Board purchased land from the American Legion and is going to build a new medical clinic in Arnold. They are hoping to expand some services and hours of operation. The Board thanked Caleb Poore for their interest in Arnold. Caleb Poore stated that they are appreciative of the support of Arnold throughout the years and want to reinvest in Arnold.

Consideration of the sealed bids for Desk (1), Desk (2), Desk (3), and Desk (4) was the next item on the agenda. The following bid was submitted:

Desk (2) Harvey Foran $101.00

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson to accept Harvey Foran's bid of $101.00 and said bid included all the desks. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Linda Bokoskie and Nicole Cozad attended the meeting to ask the Board's consideration for stop signs at the intersections of 3rd Ave and Haskell and 5th Ave and Haskell. Discussion was held on the matter. The Board discussed trying other options instead of stops signs. Other options discussed were Children at Play signs, Speed Limit signs, Flashing Lights, Yield signs, Portable Speed Display Signs…. The Board tabled the matter of stop signs. The Board is going to try the Children at Play Sign and the Speed Limit Sign.

Cheryl Carson informed the Board that Arnold will be hosting the NRCA – Nebraska Rod & Custom Association Car Tour on June 5th. The NCRA will arrive in Arnold around 9:15 a.m. and will leave around 10:30 a.m. This will be a fundraiser for the Arnold Rotary. Cheryl Carson requested permission to close the following streets:

E 2nd Avenue from Highway 40 to S Haskell Street (Will just be to edge of corner to leave open a route to get out to Country Partners)

South Haskell Street from south edge of The Exchange's Parking lot, along community center, south to stop sign on E. 2nd Avenue.

E 1st Avenue to South Haskell Street – Along The Exchange's Parking Lot

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson that permission is granted to Cheryl Carson to close the streets. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Cheryl Carson informed the Board that the Steering Committee ((Doug DeLaune, Glen Bowers, Mike Harvey, Gary Larreau, and Cheryl Carson) met, reviewed and approved the components in the Request for Proposal for professional services. After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by Olson to authorize Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to send the Request for Proposal to various firms for professional services to update the following Village plans: Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinances, as well as conducting a comprehensive Housing Study. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none.

Motion carried. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the Request for Proposal will also be published in a daily newspaper. The Steering Committee will evaluate the proposals and will make a recommendation to the Village Board at the July 11th Meeting.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler to issue a check for $850.00 to Integrated Computer Systems for a Yearly Maintenance/Support Agreement for the Computers and Printers. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried

After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by Kulp that Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, is authorized to issue a check to Eakes Office Solutions for $7,798.75 upon the delivery of the office furniture. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler to donate $200.00 to the Nebraska Rural Water Association for the use of their sewer camera. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 2006 Peterbilt Trash Truck. On April 24, 2022, the Peterbilt Trash Truck caught on fire. Doug DeLaune, Village Superintendent, stated that at this time that Nebraska Peterbilt – North Platte does not know if the truck can be repaired or if Employers Mutual Company will deem it a total loss. This will be on the agenda for the special meeting.

2022-2023 BUDGET WORKSHOP

The Board discussed budgeting for the following Capital Outlay/Capital Improvement Expenditures:

4 Door 3/4 Ton Pickup
New Energy Efficient Windows for the Village Office
Street Improvements
Water Improvements

Rusty Wyckoff, Water Commissioner, attended the meeting to discuss the Water Improvement Project. The Water Improvement Project would be installation of new 6" Water Main on Carroll Street from Lincoln Avenue to Highway 92. Rusty Wyckoff stated that the materials could be ordered this fiscal year (2021-2022) and then contract the project for fiscal year 2022-2023. Consideration of the Water Improvement Project will be on the agenda for the special meeting.

Other items pertaining to the budget included discussion on the following rate increases:

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 rate increase effective April 1, 2022. The total increase to Arnold is $3,902.00 or 4%.

Overall cost of monthly transmission service for MEAN's participants is estimated to increase between 3.5% - 3.8% starting October 1, 2022.

The Board discussed that electric rates to the customers will have to be increased. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, suggested a Cost of Service Study. No action was taken at this time.

Discussion was held on 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. 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. Consideration of participating in the AMI Project will continue to be discussed at future meetings.

The Board discussed removing the Exterior Cooler and Engine #1, Engine #2, Engine #3 and Engine #4 from the Power Plant. The matter will be on the agenda for the special meeting.

The Board discussed a Sewer Truck for jetting, vacuuming and excavating. There is a 2001 Camel Truck from Macqueen Equipment for $62,780.00 that is available now. The matter will be on the agenda for the special meeting.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the Village received $14,821.76 from Employers Mutual Company for the Safety Group Dividends.

Patricia Lamberty informed the Board that Shavonne Schacher, Pool Manager, wanted to update the Board on the change in part time lifeguards. The part time lifeguards for the 2022 pool season will be Raylee Downing, Jamie Tickle and Shayla Tickle.

Doug DeLaune, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that Jack Mullins, DBA Tri State Paving, will be here in June to do street work. Doug DeLaune stated that the Arnold Public

School wants to redo the parking on Madison Street. Doug DeLaune requested a quote from Jack Mullins to do the center of the street.

Consideration of pursuing legal action on delinquent utility accounts was the next item on the agenda. Moved by Hagler and seconded by DeLosh that the Board go into closed session for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of individuals. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Chairperson Glen Bowers restated that the purpose of the closed session is for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of individuals. The Board went into closed session at 8:55 P.M. Moved by Olson and seconded by Hagler that the Board come out of closed session. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Board came out of closed session at 9:00 P.M. Moved by Kulp and seconded by Olson that Patricia Lamberty is authorized to file claims for the delinquent utility accounts in Small Claims Court. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Kulp, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Glen Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.