

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER

June 10, 2024

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, June 10, 2024, 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, Jason Jenkins, Aaron Olson. Absent: Zach Hagler. 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 May 13, 2024, was not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Olson and seconded by DeLosh that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on May 13, 2024, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in May:

05/13 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID

\$ 87,250.22

05/14 Level LLC 117,092.10 Street Improvements 2023

05/17 Nebraska Department of Revenue

3,887.88 Sales/Use Tax

05/31 Payroll 11,578.57

Aflac 591.36 Payroll Deductions

IRS 3,686.10 Fed WH/Payroll Taxes

Nebraska Department of Revenue

527.62 State Withholding

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$224,613.85

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

\$139,865.52 in the General Fund
\$ 38,364.00 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate
\$129,484.01 in the Street Fund
\$ 33,093.63 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund
\$823,061.68 in the Electric Fund
\$(104,807.07) in the Water Fund
\$ 81.894.51 in the Sewer Fund
\$ (21,730.50) in the Solid Waste Fund
\$ 18,339.64 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account
\$305,279.33 in the Economic Development Fund
\$ 1,860.32 in the Community Development Agency Fund
\$ 10,750.00 in the Trust & Agency Funds

as of May 31, 2024. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

Akrs Equipment	\$	206.78	Parts (JD Mower)
All Star Auto Glass		250.00	Labor (Install Cab Glass)
American Agricultural Lab			
		641.22	Testing (WW)
Aristotle Funds		747.74	Pension
Atlas Automation LLC	15,479.78		Update Well Monitoring System
Mary Becker		321.67	Salary
Borders Law Office		198.88	Attorney Fee
Glen Bowers		507.92	Semi-Annual Salary
City of North Platte		259.58	Tipping Fees
Creative Printers, Inc.		168.00	Display Ads
Croell, Inc.		2,398.30	Cold Mix
Custer Public Power District			
		65.34	Electricity
Ralph DeLaune		50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Ralph DeLaune		908.40	Overtime
Donnell DeLosh		461.75	Semi-Annual Salary
Dutton-Lainson Company		970.30	Electric Supplies
Eakes Office Solutions		6.57	Office Supplies
Tory Edwards		50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Harvey Foran		589.21	Salary
Frey's Heating & Air	6,093.14		CC: Parts/Labor (Heat Pumps)
Kenneth Goodenow Jr.	1,124.19		Salary
Marshia Grant		300.00	CC: Contract Labor
Great Plains Communications			

	611.02	Telephone/Internet
Zach Hagler	461.75	Semi-Annual Salary
Hotsy Equipment Company	1,619.50	Parts/Labor (Pressure Washer)
Integrated Computer Systems		
	850.00	Yearly Maintenance (Computer)
Jason Jenkins	461.75	Semi-Annual Salary
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Patricia Lamberty	516.01	Overtime
Jessica Lamphear	95.00	Contract Labor (Parks)
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	1,353.83	Tipping Fees
Loup Valley Construction	875.00	Crawler Dozer with Operator
Barb McIntosh	904.00	Instructor Fees
(Pool)/Mileage		
Medica Insurance	11,208.18	Health Insurance
Midwest Turf & Irrigation		
	785.43	Parts/Labor (Otterbine Fountain)
Mills Hardware	136.77	Electric Supplies
Mills Hardware	6.99	Sewer Expense
Mills Hardware	782.48	Street Expense (Supplies/Tools)
Mills Hardware	187.51	Office/Pool/Park/CC Expense
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska		
	19,795.96	Electricity
Municipal Light & Water	1,100.00	WW Plant Expense (Labor)
NE Public Health Environmental Lab		
	774.00	Testing (Water)
NE Safety & Fire Equipment Inc.		
	426.37	Fire Extinguisher Service
Nansel's Best Service	1,442.71	Diesel/Gas/Equipment Repairs & Maintenance
Aaron Olson	461.75	Semi-Annual Salary
One Call Concepts, Inc.	9.52	One Call Fees
Orkin	1,174.92	CC: Pest Control (Annual Prepayment)
Postmaster	2,950.00	Stamps
Red Fern Electric	337.50	Contract Labor
Red Willow County	850.00	Tipping Fees - HHW
Reed's Food Center	497.34	CC/Office/Parks/Pool Expense
Sargent Drilling Company	1,050.00	Efficiency Test - Wells
T.C. Engineering Inc.	10,515.50	Engineering Fees
The Arnold Sentinel	852.42	Printing & Publishing Fees
The Arnold Sentinel	521.02	Scrap Tire Cleanup: Flyer Copies/Display Ads
Titan Machinery	350.00	Cab Glass (Loader)

Village of Arnold	4,142.76	Utilities
Village of Stapleton	264.00	Trucking Fees
Norma Walker	300.00	CC: Contract Labor
Winsupply	1,171.77	Pool: Drinking Fountain
Rusty Wyckoff	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Country Partners Cooperative	4,324.61	Chemicals/Diesel/Propane Scale Fees
Eakes Office Solutions	259.26	Copier: Service Agreement
Taylor Hanna-Miles	40.00	Pool Operator Certification (Reimbursement)
Maricela Melendez	175.00	Contract Labor (Office)
Menards	362.98	CC: Sewer Pipe/Fittings...
Mid-American Research Chemical	972.82	Traffic Paint
Petty Cash Fund	119.40	Postage/Money Order Fee
Pool Payroll	2,863.92	
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TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$110,859.52		

After discussion, moved by Jenkins 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, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

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

The National Honor Society (Danah Baldwin, Ella Cool, Realta Leach, Taylor Hanna-Miles, Anna Tullis, Ivy Tullis) and Debby Moninger, Sponsor, attended the meeting regarding the Senior Legacy Mural Project. The NHS gave a presentation on the mural project. The mural project will help with the beautification of Arnold and increase the town's attractiveness for both Arnold residents and visitors. Prep Work for the mural includes power washing, scraping, sketch outline, priming and painting. On the murals a QR code will be added to direct visitors to the AEDC website. Debby Moninger and future honor society members will check murals for any chipping or fading. A "Mermaid" mural was painted in May at the Swimming Pool. The NHS is asking permission to paint murals on the City Park Bathrooms. The NHS has the funds available for this project. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson to grant permission to the NHS to paint murals on the bathrooms at the City Park. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

RT Green met with the Board regarding the Sandhills Open Road Challenge (SORC). RT Green requested the Board's approval for the following parade route on Friday, August 9th :

Start at East 5th Avenue
North on Haskell Street until Madison Avenue
West on Madison Avenue until Cedar Street
South on Cedar Street until Lincoln Avenue
East on Lincoln Avenue until Broadway
South on Broadway Street until West 2nd Avenue

RT Green informed the Board that SORC would not close the State Highways. After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by DeLosh to approve SORC's Parade Route for Friday, August 9, 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Olson. Nay: none. Abstain: Jenkins. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson that permission be granted to SORC to block off the following streets for SORC events on Friday, August 9, 2024:

South Walnut Street and the side streets for the car show on Friday, August 9, 2024

North Broadway Street (between the Medical Clinic and the Bowling Alley) for the "Burn Out Contest"

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

RT Green requested the Board's approval to close the following streets from 6:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 10, 2024:

North Carroll Street from Jefferson Ave to Tyler Ave
North Walnut Street from Jefferson Ave to Tyler Avenue
Tyler Avenue Eastbound from Walnut Street

After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by DeLosh to grant permission to SORC to close the streets. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Olson. Nay: none. Abstain: Jenkins. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

Jesse Halstead, DBA Grazers Bar & Grill requested permission for:

- 45' X 45' Outdoor Temporary Addition for August 7th thru August 10th
- A Special Designated Liquor License for the Outdoor Temporary Addition for August 7th through August 10th

After discussion, moved by Jenkins and seconded by Olson to grant permission for the 45' X 45' Outdoor Temporary Addition for August 7th thru August 10th and to approve the Special Designated Liquor License for August 7th thru August 10th at the Outdoor Temporary Addition from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson to approve the Application for a Special Designated Liquor License from Grazers Bar & Grill for Thursday, August 8, 2024, at the City Park for the Sandhills Open Road Challenge Supper for the Drivers and Navigators and to approve the Arnold Community Center as the alternate location. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: Hagler. Motion carried.

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

I applied for a grant on behalf of Finch Memorial Library to the Arnold Community Foundation. The grant would assist with funding to replace the west facing storm protection windows. Arnold Community Foundation awarded the full amount of funds requested (\$8,814.38). The library is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and provides an assortment of services to the community of Arnold, as well as tourists who come to look at the library due to its designated status.

I attended the **"6 Regions, One Nebraska"** at Mid-Plains Community College in North Platte. The Governor's Office, Nebraska Department of Economic Development and Nebraska Chamber of Commerce held a press conference to kick off the new 6 Regions, One Nebraska initiative. The strategy is convening leaders in each of Nebraska's six community college districts to focus on regional workforce and economic development. These full groups will meet twice per year in 2024, 2025 and 2026 for on-going work sessions.

I spoke with Mike Harvey about the American Legion assisting people who may not have a way to remove unlicensed or inoperable from their property. American Legion is willing to haul vehicles away at no cost to them. They would simply need to contact Mike Harvey to set up a time for removal. This type of assistance will be beneficial to the property owner in removing such vehicles, keeping the community clean, and help the American Legion obtain funding for the programs they support in the Arnold Community.

Summer Intern at the AEDC Office

The AEDC office is fortunate to have an opportunity to work with the Custer County Economic Development Summer Intern, Hanna Keller. Hanna Keller will be coming to Arnold one day a week for the next few weeks. I am eager to have her learn more about our community, meet some business owners, and see why Arnold is a great place to call home. Hanna Keller is a Bassett native, pursuing a degree in business management and communication studies from Wayne State College.

Rural Community Recovery Program ARPA

This was formerly known as the Rural Workforce Land Development Grant Program. The legislature has made some changes to the program and recently opened it back up for applications. On May 28th Central Nebraska Economic Development District and myself met with Brittany Piper from the Department of Economic

Development regarding the changes and guidelines to the program. I completed the "Letter of Intent" to apply by the June 3rd deadline. This functions as a place marker for Arnold to apply if the Board chooses to fill out the full application. The full application is due by July 22nd. I have a project in mind and am currently working out some details to see if an application is even an option. If the application is an option, I will make a presentation to the Board for their consideration at the Special Meeting on June 24th.

I worked with the National Honor Society Members this past month on ideas for their Legacy Projects. I introduced them to the idea of murals in different areas of downtown. Murals were a suggestion by members of the Downtown Beautification committee.

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

AEDC	\$4,190.50	Salary(C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	320.58	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
Arnold Fall Festival	500.00	Tourism (Donation)
CNA Surety Direct Bill	200.00	Treasurers Bond
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Cheryl Carson	44.22	Mileage
Marshia Grant	40.00	Contract Labor (Janitorial)
Great Plains Communications	127.31	Telephone/Internet
Gunther Fireworks	500.00	Tourism (Donation)
Integrated Computer Systems	63.90	Monitor Stand
Village of Arnold	116.76	Utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$6.153.27	

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

Consideration of the fee to mow nuisance properties was the next item on the agenda. After discussion, moved by Olson and second by DeLosh that the following be adopted to mow nuisance properties:

\$150.00 per hour plus the cost of any damages to Village Equipment

*Village is not liable for any damages to said property

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

Comments from the Floor

A citizen asked if they had to put in a written complaint on lots that need to be mowed. The Board said a written complaint does not have to be filed but they are encouraged to let the Village know.

A citizen asked about logos on Village Equipment. This was brought up a while ago and the citizen thought it would be good for the Village Equipment to have logos.

Andrew Tickle, Fire Chief, discussed with the Board, the state statutes on open burning. The Village does not have any local ordinances on open burning.

Comments from the Village Superintendent

The cord to one of the fountains does not work due to critter damage on the cable from musk rats or beavers chewing on the cable. The cost of a new cord is approximately \$2,500.00. This will be included in 2024-2025 budget.

Comments from the Village Clerk

An outdoor refrigerated drinking fountain for the Swimming Pool was ordered from Winsupply. Arnold Community Foundation will reimburse the Village for the cost of the drinking fountain. Randy Bailer will install the outlet for the drinking fountain.

Arnold Little League was awarded a \$5,500 grant from the Arnold Community Foundation to help with the construction of a bathroom at the Old Mill Park. A check for the grant was issued to the Village of Arnold.

Special Meeting on Monday, June 24th at 7:00 P.M. Agenda for said meeting is available for inspection at the Village Office.

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Glen Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.