

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
September 9, 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, September 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication and by posting a notice on Facebook and at the following places: 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, Jason Jenkins, 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 August 12, 2024, the special meetings on August 19, 2024, August 26, 2024, and September 3, 2024, were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Hagler and seconded by Olson that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on August 12, 2024, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler that the minutes of the special meetings on August 19, 2024, and August 26, 2024, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Jenkins and seconded by Hagler that the minutes of the special meeting on September 3, 2024, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in August:

08/12 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID

\$ 74,106.14

08/13	Level LLC	19,756.65	Street Improvements
	Country Partners Cooperative	2,229.84	Diesel/Propane
08/15	Nebraska Department of Revenue	4,264.95	Sales/Use Tax
08/19	Country Partners Cooperative	760.00	Propane - Deposit
	US Department of Energy	16,019.22	Electricity
08/27	Rusty Wyckoff	2,146.98	Final Payroll Check
08/30	Payroll	8,785.47	
	Aflac	591.36	Payroll Deductions
	IRS	5,564.27	Fed WH/Payroll Taxes
	Nebraska Department of Revenue	587.92	State Withholding

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$134,812.80

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

\$150,109.45 in the General Fund
\$ 38,802.50 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate
\$108,738.39 in the Street Fund
\$ 33,855.57 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund
\$839,607.90 in the Electric Fund
\$(92,476.13) in the Water Fund
\$ 88,350.90 in the Sewer Fund
\$ (18,454.27) in the Solid Waste Fund
\$ 23,340.16 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account
\$312,816.18 in the Economic Development Fund
\$ 1,860.35 in the Community Development Agency Fund
\$ 11,260.52 in the Trust & Agency Funds

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

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Laboratory	\$	386.40	Testing (WW)
Aristotle Funds		705.65	Pension
Arnold Pool Company		55.95	Pool Expense
Mary Becker		624.08	Salary
Serenity Borah		369.37	Pool: Salary

Border States Industries	1,011.75	Metering Equipment
Borders Law Office	1,153.13	Attorney Fee
Amaiya Carlson	164.25	Pool: Salary
Central Nebraska Bobcat	60.53	Mower Attachment (Bobcat)
Contractors Services Inc	4,300.00	Temporary Traffic Control
Country Partners Coop	2,489.01	Diesel/Gas/Propane/Scale Fees
Custer Public Power District		
	53.12	Electricity
Ralph DeLaune	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Dutton-Lainson Company	345.56	Electric Supplies
Eakes Office Solutions	492.39	Office Supplies
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Harvey Foran	1,025.86	Salary
Frey's Heating and Air	470.33	Pool Heater Repairs (Parts/Labor)
Kenneth Goodenow Jr.	765.70	Salary
Marshia Grant	300.00	CC: Contract Labor
Great Plains Communications		
	603.81	Telephone/Internet
Taylor Hanna-Miles	390.73	Pool: Salary
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Jessica Lamphear	190.00	Contract Labor (Parks)
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	1,463.72	Tipping Fees
Loup Valley Construction	2,600.00	Equipment Rental with Operator
Maricela Melendez	200.00	Contract Labor - Janitorial
Mikes Motorcycle & ATV Repair		
	999.00	Lift Deck (Hustler Mower)
Mills Hardware	58.16	Electric Supplies
Mills Hardware	35.09	Water Expense
Mills Hardware	101.97	Sewer Expense
Mills Hardware	175.13	Street Expense
Mills Hardware	79.89	Pool/Park/CC Expense
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska		
	27,500.59	Electricity
Municipal Supply Inc.	284.46	Water Supplies
Nansel's Best Service	1,009.26	Diesel/Gas
One Call Concepts, Inc.	23.92	One Call Fees
Paulsen, Inc	877.50	Concrete
Pinnacle Bank	127.93	Samsung LED Monitor
Reeds Food Center	33.64	Cleaning Supplies
The Arnold Sentinel	450.72	Printing & Publishing Fees Office Supplies
Village of Arnold	8,600.17	Utilities
WESCO Receivables Corp	234.30	Electric Supplies
Norma Walker	300.00	CC: Contract Labor
Shavonne Weinman	257.62	Pool: Salary

Arnold Public School	300.00	Liquor License (Grazers)
NDEE	750.00	Annual Operating Fee (C & D Site)
Nebraska Department of Revenue	25.00	Recycling Fee
US Department of Energy	14,668.21	Electricity

Total Amount of Claims \$77,263.90

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, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

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

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

I attended the 6 Regions of Nebraska Meeting on August 19, 2024, in North Platte. I am on the Housing Committee.

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

AEDC	\$2,987.82	Salary (C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	228.57	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
AEDC	8.74	Ribbon Cutting Expense (Reimbursement)
AEDC	16.70	Refreshments (Community Promotion Meeting) (Reimbursement)
Cheryl Carson	44.22	Mileage
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Natalie J. Cool	450.00	Bookkeeping Services
Eagle Communications, Inc.	255.00	Display Ad
Marshia Grant	75.00	Contract Labor (Janitorial)
Great Plains Communications	134.66	Telephone/Internet
MJK CPA PC	266.25	Bookkeeping Services
Village of Arnold	200.27	Utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$4,717.23	

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

Ethan Furne attended the meeting to discuss a proposed Central Nebraska Interact Club project.

Ethan Furne would like to change the tennis courts at the Old Mill Park to pickleball courts. There would need to be concrete patched, courts painted, new nets... Ethan Furne stated that he would apply for grants to fund this project. Donnell DeLosh thanked Ethan Furne for taking on another project. Donnell DeLosh informed Ethan Furne that the Board is getting a quote from Casey Connell for a fence for the pickleball court on the 400 Block of North Carroll. Donnell DeLosh stated that he would like to see the project (concrete patched, courts painted, new nets...) focused on the court on Carroll Street. It was asked if patching the concrete would work for pickleball and tennis because the court would need to be smooth. The Board stated that it would be a temporary solution. Jason Jenkins asked about checking into Sport Court. It is squares of tiles that fit together and would be put on top of the concrete. Ethan Furne is going to do more research on the project. Ethan Furne will attend an upcoming meeting for further discussion on the project for Central Nebraska Interact Club.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler to contract with Casey Connell to remove the fence at Old Mill Park and to install said fence at the Pickleball Court (400 Block of North Carroll). Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Mary Becker, representing the Arnold Tree Board, reported that the trees for the Nebraska UCF IRA Grant (Arnold Rotary Tree Project) will come from Kennedy Landscape. The grant provides funding for planting the trees. The Tree Board have been talking to homeowners whose trees have been selected to be cut down along with the stumps removed. Five out of the nine homeowners have already signed the Release of Liability form.

The trees for the Ten Free Trees Fall Grant will come from Sun Valley Landscape. The ten trees will be planted at the Arnold Recreation Area. The Ten Free Trees program does not provide funding for planting the trees. Mary Becker stated that she asked Chas Berke, DBA Sun Valley Landscape, for a bid to plant the trees and for a drip system to water the trees.

Mary Becker asked permission to attend the Trees, People and Towns Conference held at the UNL East Campus in October. After discussion, moved by DeLosh, seconded by Hagler to pay

the registration fee, and lodging for Mary Becker to attend the Trees, People and Towns Conference. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of selling the bleachers at the Roping Arena @ the Arnold Recreation Area was the next item on the agenda. The Board discussed the bleachers and decided not to sell them.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Jenkins to contract with Jeffrey Mullins, dba Tri State Paving, to crack seal streets at \$0.45 per linear foot. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the Engagement Letter with Dana F. Cole & Company for auditing services for the Village for fiscal year ending September 2024 was the next item on the agenda. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, stated that according to the Engagement Letter the fee for their auditing services would not exceed \$14,600.00. Travel and other out of pocket expenses estimated to be \$750.00. After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by Olson to authorize Chairman Glen Bowers to sign the Engagement Letter with Dana F. Cole & Company for Auditing Services. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk informed the Board that the Nebraska Department of Transportation requires a Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance form and a Resolution authorizing the signing of the certification by the Village Board Chairperson. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Jenkins that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION 2024-7

SIGNING OF THE MUNICIPAL ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM 2024

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, Section 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Village Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification form.

Be it resolved that the Village Board Chairperson of Village of Arnold is hereby authorized to sign the attached Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance form.

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

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson to appoint Tory Edwards as the Designated Operator (DO) in charge of the water system. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by Olson to accept the quote of \$3,837.00 from Central Nebraska Bobcat for rubber tracks. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Jenkins to accept the quote of \$2,631.02 from Midwest Floor Covering to add pickleball court lines to the Community Center Floor. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson to accept the quote of \$3,240.59 from Living Water Aeration for a power cord with stainless steel cable shielding for the Otterbine Fountain. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Olson to accept the quote of \$7,505.00 from Lakeside Corporation for replacement parts (shaft/bearing) for the Wastewater Plant. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Interim Administrator/Village Superintendent position. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Budget Workshop

Discussion was held on the proposed 2024-2025 budget.

Comments from the Village Clerk

Budget Hearing on Monday, September 23rd. At the conclusion of the Budget Hearing a Hearing on the Property Tax Request will be held. At the conclusion of the Hearing on the Property Tax Request a special meeting will be held.

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Glen Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.