

**ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**January 13, 2025**

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, January 13, 2025, 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 Zach Hagler 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, Austin Snyder. Absent: none. A full council being present the following proceedings were had and done.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Zach Hagler 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 December 9, 2024, were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by DeLosh and seconded by Bowers

that the minutes be approved with the following corrections:

*After discussion, moved by ~~Olson~~ Snyder and seconded by Jenkins to approve the application of Candace Borah as Grazers Bar & Grill's Manager. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.*

*Chairman Zach Hagler reappointed Mike Harvey to the Planning Commission. Moved by DeLosh and seconded by ~~Hagler~~ Bowers that the reappointment of Mike Harvey to the Planning Commission for a term of three years be approved. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.*

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

The Clerk presented the claims paid in December:

**12/09 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID**

**\$ 82,204.01**

**12/18** Nebraska Department of Revenue

3,503.76 Sales Tax

**12/30** Payroll

8,779.54

Aflac

329.22 Payroll Deductions

IRS

3,559.42 Fed WH/Payroll Taxes

Nebraska Department of Revenue

455.80 State Withholding

Medica Insurance

3,600.29 Health Insurance

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**TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS**

**\$102,432.04**

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

\$ 64,473.33 in the General Fund  
\$ 39,254.14 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate  
\$159,938.38 in the Street Fund  
\$ 36,658.71 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund  
\$783,562.35 in the Electric Fund  
\$ 27,240.50 in the Water Fund  
\$ 45,524.49 in the Sewer Fund  
\$ 16,712.54 in the Solid Waste Fund  
\$ 23,340.95 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account  
\$321,596.52 in the Economic Development Fund  
\$ 1,013.14 in the Community Development Agency Fund  
\$ 12,364.13 in the Trust & Agency Funds

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

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Laboratory

\$ 356.68 Testing (WW)

Aristotle Funds

387.66 Pension

Arnold Insurance Agency 22,701.25 Insurance - Quarterly

Arnold Public School

30.00 Tobacco Licenses

Mary Becker

621.21 Salary

Country Partners Cooperative

2,399.98 Diesel/Gas/Propane/Scale Fees

Custer Public Power District

76.88 Electricity

Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP	12,430.00	Audit Fees
Dutton-Lainson Company	5,062.75	Pad Mount Transformer
Eakes Office Solutions	345.06	Office Supplies
		Service Agreement
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Tory Edwards	3,500.00	Health Savings Contribution
Harvey Foran	672.97	Salary
Kenneth Goodenow Jr.	90.76	Salary
Marshia Grant	300.00	CC: Contract Labor
Great Plains Communications	612.22	Telephone/Internet
Hinton's Lock & Alarm	12.00	CC: Camera System
Eric Holmberg	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Eric Holmberg	3,500.00	Health Savings Contribution
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Patricia Lamberty	3,500.00	Health Savings Contribution
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency	1,165.06	Tipping Fees
Loup Valley Construction	1,650.00	Excavator with Operator
		Trees @ ARA
Maguire Iron, Inc	1,450.00	Water Tower Inspection
Menards	17.94	Paint Sprayer Gun Filter
Mills Hardware	14.90	Water Expense
Mills Hardware	52.98	Sewer Expense
Mills Hardware	1,656.67	Street Expense (Supplies/Tools)
Mills Hardware	2.09	CC: Misc Nuts and Bolts
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska	22,127.52	Electricity
NE Public Health Environmental Lab	30.00	Testing (Water)
Nansel's Best Service	643.70	Diesel/Gas/Equipment Repairs
Nebraska Department of Labor	25.67	Unemployment
Nebraska Department of Revenue	417.52	Swimming Pool Sales Tax
One Call Concepts, Inc.	7.92	One Call Fees
Pinnacle Bank	50.00	Safety Deposit Box Fee
The Arnold Sentinel	434.94	Printing & Publishing Fees
US Department of Energy	15,323.55	Electricity
Utilities Section	150.00	Registration Fee (WW Conf-Tory)
Village of Arnold	6,266.75	Utilities
Norma Walker	300.00	CC: Contract Labor
Westbrook Audio	300.69	CC: Microphone Repairs
Winsupply	239.90	CC: Drinking Fountain Filters
<b>Total Amount of Claims \$ 109,077.22</b>		

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the claim to Westbrook Audio for \$300.69 is reimbursement to Bob Westbrook. Bob Westbrook paid the postage to send the microphone to Technica Logistics for repairs and then paid the bill from Technica Logistics. Bob Westbrook did not charge for his labor. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder 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, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Zach Hagler announced that this was the time and place of the Public Hearing on the One & Six Year Street Improvement Plans. Notice of the Public Hearing on the One & Six Year Street Improvement Plans was published in the Arnold Sentinel, the official newspaper for the Village and by posting notices in prominent places within the Village, namely, at the Village Office, Reed's Food Center, Pinnacle Bank and the Post Office. Notice of the Public Hearing was given in advance to the Chairman and the Board of Trustees. All members present acknowledged receipt of said notice. Moved by Snyder and seconded by DeLosh to open the Public Hearing. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Motion carried. Public Hearing opened at 7:06 p.m. Tom Werblow, Village Engineer, presented the plans. The Plans include armor coating various streets. No person or persons commented on the One and Six Year Street Improvement Plans either pro or con. Moved by Jenkins and seconded by Bowers to close the Public Hearing. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Hearing closed at 7:11 P.M.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder that the following Resolution be adopted:

#### **RESOLUTION 2025-1**

**WHEREAS**, according to the statutes of the State of Nebraska and as prescribed by the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, Notice of Hearing has been given in the legal newspaper of Arnold Nebraska, and by posting in four public places with the Village of Arnold. Said Hearing on the One & Six Year Plans of Street Improvements to be held at the Meeting Room in the Arnold Community Center on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025, at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose of hearing comments and objections to said plans.

**WHEREAS,** upon said Hearing, the Board of Trustees, find the Plans submitted are adequate for the purpose prescribed by law and that the same should be approved.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska that the One Year & Six Year Plan for specific improvements during the current year are hereby approved and adopted.

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

Tom Werblow, Village Engineer, informed the Board that he is working on the application to the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy to renew a permit for the Construction & Demolition Site.

Chairman Zach Hagler announced that this was the time and place of the Public Hearing for the discussion of the six-month review of Arnold's Economic Development Program. Moved by DeLosh and seconded by Bowers to open the Public Hearing. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Motion carried. Public Hearing Opened at 7:14 p.m. Cheryl Carson, Economic Development Director, informed the Board that she attended the Citizen Advisory Committee meeting at 5:15 p.m. to give an update. Cheryl Carson stated that there are copies available of the six-month report if anyone wants one. Zach Hagler asked if there were any comments from the floor. There were no comments. Moved by Snyder and seconded by DeLosh to close the Hearing. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Hearing closed at 7:19 p.m.

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

AEDC	\$3,021.30	Salary(C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	231.14	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Kristi Dvorak	150.00	Website Hosting & Security
Kristi Dvorak	967.50	Website/Social Media Updates
Marshia Grant	50.00	Contract Labor (Janitorial)
Great Plains Communications	127.67	Telephone/Internet
KNOP	460.00	TV Commercial Advertising (Christmas Around Town)
MJK CPA PC	227.50	Bookkeeping Services

The Arnold Sentinel	318.86	Color Copies (EDDM - Veterans Memorial)
The Arnold Sentinel	269.17	Rack Cards - Arnold Passport
Village of Arnold	118.02	Utilities
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS</b>		<b>\$5,991.16</b>

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

Consideration of the proposed Revised Agreement with Sal Hilderbrant, DBA Sal's Dog Grooming/Pawsome Hotel, to utilize Pawsome Hotel to impound dogs running at large, abandoned and stray dogs was the next item on the agenda. Sal Hilderbrant attended the meeting regarding the matter. Discussion was held on a rehoming fee. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to charge a \$50.00 rehoming fee, to approve the revised Agreement, and to authorize Chairman Zach Hagler to sign said agreement. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried

Consideration of the Arnold Golf Association's Application for a Special Designated License for Saturday, March 1, 2025, for the Annual Chili Cook Off was the next item on the agenda. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that this is to allow for the consumption of alcohol at the Chili Cook Off. After discussion, moved by Jenkins and seconded by Snyder to approve Arnold Golf Association's Application for a Special Designated License for Saturday, March 1, 2025, from 8 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the Annual Chili Cook Off at the Arnold Community Center. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the proposed Revision 1 to Exhibit B and Revision 1 to Exhibit C of the Firm Electric Service (FES) Contract with Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) was the next item on the agenda. Exhibit B provides the Operating Agreement between Arnold and WAPA, including Quantitative Determinations. Exhibit C describes the Transmission Path and Delivery and Measurement Conditions for delivery of Federal power and energy to Arnold. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to approve Revision 1 to Exhibit B and Revision 1 to Exhibit C of the Firm Electric Service (FES) Contract with Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and that Zach Hagler, Chairman of the Board, be authorized to sign said Exhibits. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

### **Pickleball/Basketball Court**

The Board discussed the suggestions for names for the Pickleball/Basketball Court on Carroll Street. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to name the Pickleball/Basketball Court “Carroll Street Courts”. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a sign for Carroll Street Courts. Shavonne Schacher suggested opening it up to the public to submit ideas for a design for the Carroll Street Courts sign. The Board liked the idea. The deadline to submit a design to the Village Office is March 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Logos for the Equipment**

The Board looked at different options for equipment logos. The Board liked the black and white equipment logo with a Water Tower that Cheryl Carson submitted. School House Graphics will be contacted about printing a 16” and a 10” equipment logo sign using Cheryl Carson’s photo. The signs will be brought to the next Board Meeting for the Boards consideration.

### **Water/Sewer Rates**

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that at the end of December 2024 there is \$27,240.50 in the Water Fund and \$45,524.49 in the Sewer Fund. In October 2024, \$70,000.00 was transferred from the electric fund to the water fund and in fiscal year 2022, \$30,000.00 was transferred to the sewer fund from the electric Fund. The current rate for Water is \$16.50 Customer Charge plus \$1.00/1000 Gallons and the current rate for Sewer is \$14.30 per month plus \$1.20/1000 gallons based on winter water usage. After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Snyder to increase the customer charge of water to \$19.00 per month and the sewer to \$17.00 per month. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. An Ordinance revising the water rates and sewer rates will be on the February 10<sup>th</sup> agenda.

### **Swimming Pool**

After discussion, moved by Snyder and seconded by DeLosh to advertise for Pool Personnel and to authorize the Pool Committee (Donnell DeLosh and Jason Jenkins) to hire the Pool Personnel. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to set the following wages for the Pool Personnel:

1 <sup>st</sup> Year Lifeguard	\$14.00
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Pool Manager	\$16.50
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Assistant Pool Manager	\$15.25

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

### **Snow Pusher Attachment for the Bobcat**

Discussion was held on a snow pusher attachment for the Bobcat. The approximate cost for the attachment is \$5,000.00. The Board agreed to include a snow pusher attachment in the 2025-2026 budget. Eric Holmberg stated that he would get bids on a snow pusher attachment for the Board's consideration at a later date.

### **Conflict of Interest**

Austin Snyder declared a Conflict of Interest on the Snow Pusher Attachment and on claims payable to Kubota. Austin Snyder stated that he is a salesperson for Kubota in North Platte.

### **Help Wanted Ad**

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the help wanted ad for a Village employee was advertised in the Arnold Sentinel and was posted on Facebook.

### **Community Concerns brought to the Board Members outside of the Village Board Meeting**

Glen Bowers stated that he was contacted about apartments on the bottom floor in the business district. Discussion was held that according to Arnold's zoning regulations apartments are only permitted on the second or higher floor in the business district.

### **Monthly Update from the Village Clerk**

A letter was received from the Department of Economic Development. The letter certified that the Village completed all the requirements for closeout on the Community Development Block Grant.

There was a hole in the CC Floor. Tory Edwards called Steve Frailey, Specialty Floors President. Steve Frailey recommended wood putty. Steve Frailey stated that this would not affect the warranty. The hole has been filled.

A transformer went out at the Golf Course. CPPD put up a new Transformer at the Golf Course. CPPD used a transformer from the Village's inventory.

CPPD is working on an estimate to replace the switch and the regulator



Scott McDowell and Eric Holmberg removed twenty dead trees from the ARA. At the November 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting the Board approved contracting with Scott McDowell for tree removal up to \$3,000.00. (\$880.00 from the Tree Board account and the balance from the Park account.) The cost was \$1,650.00. Donnell DeLosh stated that since the tree removal did not cost \$3,000.00 that \$1,400.00 could be used to plant trees.

Tory Edwards and Eric Holmberg have been cleaning and painting the Street Shop Office. The carpet was removed and leftover flooring from the gym floor will be used to replace the carpet.

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