

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARGENTA, ILLINOIS
#24-09-16 R09
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.
VILLAGE HALL, 330 N WARREN STREET, ARGENTA, ILLINOIS

Call to Order: Mayor Luedke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Mayor Luedke and Trustees Kaufman, Barker, Berry, and Metsker were present. Trustees Mitchell and Ryan were absent. Clerk Sherry Koszesza, Public Works Director Derick Fisher were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2024, #24-08-19 R08
2. Approval of Disbursements #24-09-16 D09
3. Approval of Bank Reconciliations #24-09-16 BR09
 - A motion was made by Trustee Berry with a second by Trustee Metsker to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker	=	Yes	Berry	=	Yes
Kaufman	=	Yes	Ryan	=	Absent
Mitchell	=	Absent	Metsker	=	Yes

Motion carried.

Public Comment: There was none.

Recognition of Visitors: There were none.

Department Reports:

1. Village Staff Reports. The new police car has had the decals put on and is here for the Board to look at. Public Works Director Derick Fisher is doing some meter pits and culverts. He must take the dump truck in for some repairs. He has upgraded some communications equipment at the WTP. They will be able to see things in real time. Need VFD's and PLC's. The salt shed is finished. There is room enough to separate the piles of salt. Derick would like to upgrade to a better salt that is less corrosive. Derick would like to discuss how the firehouse is charged (not charged) for water that is used. Most water is used for parties that are booked, car washes, showers, etc. Mayor Luedke said that if the water were just used for filling trucks, it would be different. Mayor Luedke and Derick will check to see what other Villages do. Derick called Macon County about a property on Route 48 that is a code violation. Trustee Berry asked what was going on with the property on N North Street. Huffman Lawn Care is not able to do it. Looking Good Lawn Care will give us a bid. Derick is spraying tracks on Thursday. We need to get the electric done at the Farm Shed. We have ARPA money still to use for that.
2. Mayor's Report. Mayor Luedke said that Oct 16th the CEO class will be here for a semester. There were soil borings done last week for the new water plant. Our IL Funds have made \$14,843.00 in interest in 8 months.
3. Attorney's Report. There was none.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Discuss/Approve to have the Village absorb the fees for auto-pay customers in the new gWorks utility billing system. Mayor Luedke explained the cost of doing this.
 - A motion was made by Trustee Kaufman with a second by Trustee Barker to allow the Village to absorb the fees for auto-pay customers in the new gWorks utility billing system.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker	=	Yes	Berry	=	Yes
Kaufman	=	Yes	Ryan	=	Absent
Mitchell	=	Absent	Metsker	=	Yes

Motion carried.

Closed Session:

Open Session:

Adjournment

- A motion was made by Trustee Barker with a second by Trustee Berry to adjourn at 6:47 p.m.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Barker	=	Yes	Berry	=	Yes
Kaufman	=	Yes	Ryan	=	Absent
Mitchell	=	Absent	Metsker	=	Yes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Clerk Sherry Koszesza