

**ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
DECEMBER 14, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Chairperson and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arnold, Nebraska was held in the Arnold Community Center on Monday, December 14, 2009 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication and by a posted notice with the agenda posted on the door to the meeting room at the Community Center. Notice of this meeting 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.

In compliance with State Statute Section 17-204, the trustees at the first regular meeting of the Board in December shall reorganize, elect a Chairperson of the Board and appoint the officers required.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson, Patricia Lamberty, the Village Clerk. On roll call the following were present: Connelley Barton, Glen Bowers, Ted Bubak, Karin Moore and Aaron Olson. Absent: none. A full council being present the following proceedings were had and done. Village Clerk, Patricia Lamberty, recorded the proceedings.

Village Clerk, Patricia Lamberty, 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 Acting Chairperson announced that nominations were in order for the election of a Chairperson. Moved by Barton and seconded by Bowers that Karin Moore be nominated as Chairperson and that nominations cease. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Olson. Nay: none. Abstain: Moore. Absent: none. Motion carried. The Acting Chairperson surrendered the chair to Chairperson Karin Moore.

The Chairperson appointed the Trustees to the following committees:

GENERAL (Community Center, Parks & Swimming Pool), **STREETS & SOLID WASTE:** Ted Bubak & Aaron Olson
ELECTRIC, WATER & SEWER: Connelley Barton & Glen Bowers

Moved by Barton and seconded by Bubak that Patricia Lamberty be appointed Village Clerk/Treasurer. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Bubak and seconded by Olson that Harvey Foran be appointed Water Commissioner. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Barton that **Mike Bacon, DBA Bacon & Vinton**, be designated as the Village Attorney. Motion died due to lack of a second.

Moved by Bowers and seconded by Olson that **Mike Borders, DBA Borders Law Office**, be designated as the Village attorney. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Olson and seconded by Bowers that **Tom Werblow, DBA T.C. Engineering**, be designated as the Village engineer. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Bubak and seconded by Bowers that the **ARNOLD SENTINEL** be designated as the official newspaper for publication of all the Village business. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Barton and seconded by Bowers that Chairperson Karin Moore, Scott Winfield and Dell Cerny be appointed to the Heath Board. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on November 9, 2009 were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Bowers and seconded by Bubak that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on November 9, 2009 be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in November:

11/09 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID

	65,165.56
11/10 Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska	15,083.39 electricity
11/20 NE Department of Revenue	3,246.23 Sales/Use Tax
11/30 Payroll	11,766.13

Aflac
IRS

255.09 payroll deductions
2,883.49 Payroll Taxes/Fed WH

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS - NOV \$98,399.89

The Treasurer's Report revealed there is \$122,766.98 in the General Fund; \$1,593.35 in the Community Center Building Fund; \$102,959.41 in the Street Fund; \$237,785.55 in the Electric Fund; \$36,675.19 in the Power Plant Fund; \$59,255.06 in the Water Fund; \$64,925.23 in the Sewer Fund; \$20,074.28 in the Sewer Debt Service Fund; \$48,062.84 in the Solid Waste Fund; \$11,444.40 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account; \$32,360.46 in the Economic Development Fund; \$5,014.06 in the Community Development Agency Fund; \$10,132.17 in the Trust & Agency Funds as of November 30, 2009. After discussion, moved by Barton and seconded by Bowers that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) inadvertently deposited \$9,109.55 into the Village's Money Market Account. The money should have been deposited into the Arnold Township's account. Moved by Bubak and seconded by Olson to issue a check to NEMA for \$9,109.55. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

All Points Cooperative	\$ 1,016.60	propane/sewer supplies
Arnold Insurance Agency	20.00	insurance (CC Sign)
Arnold Public School	40.00	tobacco licenses
Auto Glass Center	194.82	windshield/labor
Barco Municipal Products	374.94	tire chain
Alexander C Barton	923.50	Annual Salary
Roy Bierman	535.45	Overtime
Glen Bowers	923.50	Annual Salary
Ted Bubak	923.50	Annual Salary
Cal's Best Service	66.71	gas/tire repair
Custer County Highway Department	65.00	crushed concrete

Custer Public Power District	25.30	electricity
Department of Energy	14,258.74	electricity
Dutton-Lainson Company	7,165.28	electric supplies
Eakes Office Plus	98.09	office supplies
Electrical Engineering & Equipment		
	559.98	electric supplies
Evangeline Specialties, Inc.	646.78	holiday decorations
Forrester's Dodge City	205.72	parts/labor
Gibson & Son	100.00	contract labor
Great Plains Communications	414.44	telephone
Great Plains Communications	91.18	CC: telephone
HACH Company	121.04	sewer supplies
Hubert Company	201.79	CC: dust mps/brooms
Jack Mullins DBA Asphalt Paving		
	7,000.00	street maintenance
Kriz Davis Company	219.42	electric supplies
Kully Pipe & Steel Supply	695.62	steel (dumpster repair)
Patricia Lamberty	351.31	Overtime
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	1,184.76	tipping fees
Logan County Coop Oil Assn	1,857.13	gas/diesel
Mills Hardware	454.67	supplies
Karin Moore	1,015.85	Annual Salary
Municipal Supply, Inc.	1,588.73	water supplies
SRF NDEQ - Fiscal Services	3,674.20	SRF Semi-Annual Payment
NE Public Health Environmental Lab		
	16.00	testing (water)
NMC Exchange LLC	1,082.75	parts (motor grader)
Nebraska Municipal Power Pool		
	1,340.00	software upgrade
Olsen's Agricultural Laboratory, Inc.		
	103.00	testing (ww)
Aaron Olson	923.50	Annual Salary
Pacific Life & Annuity	602.78	pension
Petty Cash Fund	184.02	stamps/postage
Sennett, Duncan & Jenkins	237.50	attorney fee
The Arnold Sentinel	253.00	publishing fees
Titan Access Account	2,096.96	parts/labor (loader)
Unitech	194.25	street supplies
Village of Arnold	2,892.91	utilities
WESCO Receivables Corp	440.91	FR Clothing
<u>Kim R Wagner-Sage</u>	<u>157.26</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Total Amount of Claims	\$57,538.89	

After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Barton that the claims be approved and paid as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Kristi Dvorak, Economic Development Director, attended the meeting regarding the Arnold Economic Development Corporation (AEDC). AEDC's update for

December:

LB840 Projects

The business needs assessment project is under way and personal visits to businesses have begun. In addition to the survey, we are also providing information to the businesses on the new revolving loan fund, how it can be used, and how to apply.

The preliminary wind resource and economic impact assessments have been completed by WECC. Results of the studies will be released at a public meeting on January 5.

Milo Alexander, director of the Community Economic Development Clinic at Creighton University School of Law, came to Arnold on December 1. Mr. Alexander's presentation covered the advantages and disadvantages of S corps and LLCs. There were a lot of good questions and discussion during the meeting. The AEDC partnered with REAP to bring this seminar to Custer County.

Custer County has received a \$254,000 grant to use in the form of loans to low-income households in the county whose homes need repairs/upgrades. This is a result of the housing questionnaires that were distributed this summer. Interested homeowners are encouraged to fill out a form and mail it to Central Nebraska Housing Developers for review. Forms can be picked up at the village office or the AEDC office. More information will be released soon.

We are reviewing our communications plan for 2010.

School House Graphics is producing a sign for the outside of our building.

Grant Projects

Revolving loan fund. Businesses are encouraged to apply for low-interest loans, accompanied with a possible grant, through the AEDC office for anything from repairing your store front to purchasing/upgrading equipment or computers to fixing sidewalks, and more.

The BECA grant, which would provide funding to help with technical assistance with becoming a Nebraska certified community, has been completed and submitted. This grant is for \$60,000 and includes the communities of Burwell, Arnold, O'Neill, and Atkinson. This grant has not yet been awarded.

Kristi Dvorak informed the Board that Rick Beshaler and Connie Nansel's term on the AEDC expires this month. After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by

Bubak that Rick Beshaler be reappointed to the AEDC for a term of three years. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Bubak and seconded by Bowers that Merle Bierman be appointed to the AEDC for a term of three years. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Chairperson Karin Moore appointed Glen Bowers and Ted Bubak as Village Representatives to the AEDC.

After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Olson that the following claims be paid from the Economic Development Fund:

AEDC	50.00 Google Adv (reimbursement)
AEDC	2.55 postage (reimbursement)
Kristi Dvorak	93.50 mileage (Rural Development Conf)
Kristi Dvorak	38.50 mileage (Housing Study)
Great Plains Communications	90.02 telephone
Mills Hardware	40.99 rug
Reeds Food Center	24.97 refreshments (Economic Development Clinic)
Sandhills Business Services	135.00 Bookkeeping Services
The Arnold Sentinel	56.25 Website Ad
Verizon Wireless	51.66 cell phone
Village of Arnold	51.95 utilities

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$635.39

Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Board heard comments from the floor regarding the State Park and repairing the loader..

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that Gary Larreau's term on the Housing Authority Board expires this month. Moved by Bubak and seconded by Bowers that Gary Larreau be reappointed to the Housing Authority Board for a term of five years. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Karin Moore, Chairperson, informed the Board that there will be a joint meeting between the Arnold Housing Authority and the Village Board on Monday, January 4, 2010.

Patricia Lamberty informed the Board that Brad Forrester's term on the Planning Commission expire this month. Chairperson Karin Moore reappointed Brad Forrester to the Planning Commission for a term of three years. Moved by Barton and seconded by Bubak that the appointment of Brad Forrester to the Planning Commission be approved. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Chairperson Karin Moore reappointed Ken Wehrman to the Citizen Advisory Committee for a term of four years and reappointed Connelley Barton as the ex-officio member. Moved by Bowers and seconded by Olson that the appointment of Ken Wehrman to the Citizen Advisory Committee and the appointment of Connelley Barton as the ex-officio member of the Citizen Advisory Committee be approved. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Bubak and seconded by Olson to issue a check to the Arnold Ministerial Association for \$500.00 from the Houghton Fund: said money is to be used to help with the needs of individuals including transients. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Scott Winfield, Village Superintendent, discussed Maguire Iron's report on the Water Tower. The Water Tower was cleaned, inspected and disinfected by Maguire Iron on October 23, 2009. The following are Maguire Iron's recommendations:

- Sandblast and epoxy line interior
- Remove spider rods and hub (safety issue)
- Replace center riser pipe insulation jacket

After discussion, moved by Barton and seconded by Bubak to accept the proposal from Maguire Iron to replace the center riser pipe insulation jacket on the Water Tower for \$12,750.00 and that the Chairperson be authorized to sign said contract. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Barton to accept the proposal from Maguire Iron to sandblast and install a three coat zinc/epoxy line interior and to remove the spider rods and hubs on the Water Tower for \$24,830.00 and that the Chairperson be authorized to sign said contract. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers,

Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Olson to purchase a 2000 Sterling Dump Truck from Jack Mullins, DBA Asphalt Paving, for \$24,000.00; to issue a check for \$15,000.00 for the down payment and to finance the balance \$9,000.00 with Pinnacle Bank and that the Chairperson be authorized to sign the necessary documents. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Scott Winfield, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that the monthly lease payments on the generators will be decreasing.

Discussion was held on the increase in electric rates from Western Area Power Administration and Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska. The Board directed Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to proceed with a Cost of Service Study.

Discussion was held on the swimming pool. Scott Winfield informed the Board that the swimming pool needs to be sandblasted and painted. Scott Winfield stated to have it professionally sandblasted and painted will cost \$20,000+. Scott Winfield stated that another option is to rent or buy a sandblaster and have the Village employees do the work. The matter will be on the January agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Chairperson Karin Moore declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Karin Moore
Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST:

Patricia Lamberty
Village Clerk