

**ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
MARCH 8, 2010**

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, March 8, 2010 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication and by posting notices at Pinnacle Bank, Post Office, and Reeds Food Center. 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.

Chairperson Karin Moore called the meeting to order and Patricia Lamberty, the Village Clerk, recorded the proceedings. On roll call, the following were present: Connelley Barton, Glen Bowers, Karin Moore, and Aaron Olson. Absent: Ted Bubak. A quorum being present the following proceedings were had and done.

Chairperson Karin Moore 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.

Ted Bubak arrived at the meeting at 7:02 P.M. and took his place at the council table.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on February 8, 2010 were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Bowers and seconded by Barton that the minutes of the previous regular meeting be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bubak, Bowers, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in February:

02/08 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID	\$110,647.02
02/19 Nebraska Department of Revenue	
	3,570.18 Sales/Use Tax
02/26 Payroll	11,289.81
Aflac	346.51 Payroll Deductions
IRS	3,223.17 Payroll Taxes/Fed WH
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$129,076.69

The Treasurer's Report revealed there is \$111,574.16 in the General Fund;

\$1,593.35 in the Community Center Building Fund; \$76,077.40 in the Street Fund; \$231,437.51 in the Electric Fund; \$34,467.65 in the Power Plant Fund; \$27,317.57 in the Water Fund; \$64,805.02 in the Sewer Fund; \$17,733.20 in the Sewer Debt Service Fund; \$55,207.33 in the Solid Waste Fund; \$11,451.30 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account; \$43,249.05 in the Economic Development Fund; \$5,014.35 in the Community Development Agency Fund; \$10,181.51 in the Trust & Agency Funds as of February 28, 2010. After discussion, moved by Barton and seconded by Olson that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

A-1 Auto Repair, Inc.	\$ 31.93	parts/labor (Dump Truck)
All Points Cooperative	1,909.64	propane
All Points Cooperative	19.10	parts
All Points Cooperative	54.00	scale fees
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	6,540.80	health insurance
Borders Law Office	1,006.16	attorney fee
Cal's Best Service	39.48	gas
Cal's Best Service	127.63	repairs & maint
Cash-Wa Distributing	81.66	CC: supplies
Cohagen Battery	229.98	CC: batteries
Mark Conley	200.00	used fuel tank
Custer Public Power District	30.25	electricity
DHHS	40.00	Pool Permit Renewal Fee
DHHS	120.00	Pool Operators Clinic Fee
Department of Energy	16,038.60	electricity
Dutton-Lainson Company	218.33	electric supplies
Eakes Office Plus	33.35	office supplies
Electrical Engineering & Equipment	357.41	electric supplies
Forrester's Dodge City	304.78	parts/labor (Dodge Ram)
Great Plains Communications	91.18	CC: telephone
Great Plains Communications	406.72	telephone
Hornung Trucking	675.00	Equipment Rental
Kelly Supply Company	54.76	parts- Sweeper Attachment
Koubek Trucking	17.64	material
Kriz Davis Company	55.06	electric supplies
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency	881.28	tipping fees
Logan County Coop Oil Assn	762.77	gas/diesel/heet
Mills Feed	6.60	salt

Mills Hardware	828.25	supplies/tools
NE Public Health Environmental Lab		
	47.00	testing (water)
Nebraska Municipal Power Pool	347.04	office supplies
Olsen's Agricultural Laboratory		
	51.50	testing (ww)
POWERPLAN	186.69	parts - Bobcat
Pacific Life & Annuity Company		
	602.78	pension
Petty Cash Fund	164.45	stamps/postage/misc
Platte Valley Communications	443.00	radio
Postmaster	216.00	stamps
R & S Radiator	96.25	gas tank
Stephanie Reed	200.12	Salary
Reeds Food Center	68.02	CC: supplies
The Arnold Sentinel	847.32	Publishing Fees
VISA	37.40	office supplies
VISA	179.17	Digital
Recorder/Microphone...		
VISA	23.95	meals
VISA	53.24	battery
Trish Vickers	167.24	CC: Salary
Village of Arnold	4,047.72	utilities
WESCO Receivables Corp	505.37	safety equipment
Weinman Tractor Repair	847.23	parts/labor
		(Oliver Tractor)
Cory Wilkie	50.00	cell phone
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$ 40,343.85	

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

Brian Gebhardt attended the meeting regarding the Arnold Economic Development Corporation (AEDC). AEDC's update for March:

LB840 Projects

Funds are still available for low to moderate income households that wish to apply for a low-interest loan to make repairs/upgrades on their homes. The loans are being funded from a \$254,000 grant the county received as a result of the housing surveys that were completed last summer. Income limits start at \$30,050 for a one-person home, \$34,350 for a two-person home, and so on. Applications are available at the village and AEDC offices. Interested applicants will mail their applications directly to Central Nebraska Housing Developers for review.

There is a Custer County housing steering committee meeting in Broken Bow on March 9. Central Nebraska Housing Developers will discuss the final report, including a five-year action plan.

There has been an increase in requests for housing information this month.

Kristi attended the 4th Annual MarketPlace small business conference in Kearney on February 24. Scholarships were awarded to School House Graphics to attend the conference. The group was interviewed by the Kearney TV station and made contact with several exhibitors.

Plans are being finalized for a QuickBooks 101 class in Arnold. Tentative timeframe is mid to late March or early April.

Grant Projects

Revolving loan fund. We have closed on our first loan, which is with Triangle Lanes. Our second loan has been approved by the USDA and we are awaiting grant approval from the village. Four additional loans are awaiting approval from the USDA, and we have five outstanding applications. Loans are processed on a first come, first served basis. Interested applicants should contact Kristi at the AEDC office. We have until August to use the funds.

The communities of Arnold, Burwell, O'Neill, and Atkinson have been awarded a \$16,000 BECA grant to provide funding for technical assistance with becoming a Nebraska certified community. The amount requested was \$60,000. At this time, we are waiting for a new plan of action from Central Nebraska Economic Development District as to how to proceed.

Brian Gebhardt informed the Board that the AEDC recommends that William Lohmiller and Carlene Lanham be appointed to the AEDC Board. After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Olson that William Lohmiller and Carlene Lanham be appointed to the AEDC Board for a term of three years. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bubak, Bowers, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

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

AEDC	50.00	Google Adv (reimbursement)
AEDC	9.44	postage (reimbursement)
Borders Law Office	48.88	attorney fee
Kristi Dvorak	85.00	mileage - MarketPlace Conf
Great Plains Communications	91.10	telephone
Logan County Coop Oil Assn	270.00	propane
The Arnold Sentinel	22.50	Website Ad
Verizon Wireless	52.82	cell phone

Village of Arnold 69.05 utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$ 698.79

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 issue a check from the Economic Development Fund for \$2,000.00 to Mills Hardware for a grant to accompany the USDA loan as recommended by the AEDC. 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 issue a check to Mills Hardware for \$6,000.00 for a loan from the Economic Development Fund as recommended by the AEDC. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Bubak and seconded by Bowers to issue a check from the Economic Development Fund for \$1,250.00 to Patti Schwarz, DBA Portraits by Patty, for a grant to accompany the USDA loan as recommended by the AEDC. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the sealed bids for the Village Hay was the next item on the agenda. The following bids were submitted: Rich Hornung \$351.00 Nate Mills \$500.00. After discussion, moved by Barton and seconded by Bowers that the Village accept Nate Mill's bid of \$500.00. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the tipping fees for the demolition of a house or building. In 2005 the Board reduced the rate from \$0.018 cents per pound to \$.006 cents per pounds for the demolition of a house or building. Scott Winfield, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that the revenue from the tipping fees of the buildings does not cover expenses. The expenses for the Village include labor and equipment rental. Comments from the floor were heard regarding the matter. Rod Watson stated that other communities have the capability to burn buildings but that there is something local that prevents Arnold residents from being able to burn buildings. Rod Watson stated that burning buildings will not help with the cost factor of the tipping fees but would help in

reducing the volume of construction rubble. Discussion was held on the Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) rules regarding burning buildings and Rod Watson stated that the DEQ rules are easy to follow. Aaron Olson volunteered to discuss the matter with the Fire Department. After discussion, moved by Bubak and seconded by Bowers to keep the price @ \$.006 per pound for the demolition of buildings. Roll call vote: Aye: Barton, Bowers, Bubak, Moore, Olson. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of increasing water rates and establishing reconnect fees for water service was the next item on the agenda. The Board listened to comments from the floor regarding the issue. The matter was tabled.

The Board discussed the Audit report for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009.

Scott Winfield, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that it will cost the Village approximately \$48,000.00 more this year for electricity due to the rate increases from NPPD, WAPA and MEAN. Scott Winfield stated that Nebraska Municipal Power Pool has been contacted to conduct a Cost of Service Study.

There being nothing further to come before the Board, Chairperson Karin Moore declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Karin B Moore
Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST:

Patricia Lamberty
Village Clerk