

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
January 11 , 2016

A regular meeting of the Chairman and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arnold, Nebraska was held in the Arnold Community Center on Monday, January 11, 2016 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication and by posting notices at the following places: Pinnacle Bank, Post Office, Reeds 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, Brent Kulp, Scott McDowell, Aaron Olson, and Tim Turley. 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 December 14, 2015 and the special meeting on December 23, 2015 were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Olson and seconded by Turley that the minutes of the previous regular meeting on December 14, 2015 be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Abstain: Kulp. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by McDowell and seconded by Kulp that the minutes of the special meeting on December 23, 2015 be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell. Nay: none. Abstain: Olson and Turley. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in December:

12/14 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID

\$ 95,417.22

12/18 Nebraska Department of Revenue

3,748.43 Sales Tax

12/22 Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN)

21,046.89 electricity

Nebraska Rural Water Association

		300.00 donation (Valve Exerciser)
12/30	Payroll	10,535.11
	Aflac	316.68 Payroll Deductions
	IRS	4,008.09 Payroll Taxes/Fed WH
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS - DEC		\$135,372.42

The Treasurer's Report revealed there is \$107,824.18 in the General Fund; \$132,830.41 in the Street Fund; \$525,989.66 in the Electric Fund; \$22,568.08 in the Power Plant Fund; \$234,191.73 in the Water Fund; \$48,846.79 in the Sewer Fund; \$54,729.55 in the Solid Waste Fund; \$35,128.76 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account; \$39,508.34 in the Economic Development Fund; \$1,005.54 in the Community Development Agency Fund; \$8,278.91 in the Trust & Agency Funds as of December 31, 2015. After discussion, moved by Turley and seconded by Olson that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

All Points Cooperative	\$ 989.03	propane/scale fees
American Agricultural Lab	65.25	testing (ww)
AEDC	300.00	(3) Used Laptops
Arnold Insurance Agency	14,606.00	Insurance - Quarterly
Arnold Public School	10.00	Jim's Bar Tobacco License
Roy Bierman	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Roy Bierman	3,000.00	HSA Contribution
Borders Law Office	21.88	Attorney Fee
Coventry Health & Life Ins	6,201.88	health insurance
Department of Energy	17,508.99	electricity
Dutton-Lainson Company	628.36	electric supplies
Eakes Office Solutions	138.55	office supplies/Copier: Service & Supply Agreement
Harvey Foran	1,131.58	Salary
Great Plains Communications	103.99	CC: telephone
Great Plains Communications	665.49	telephone/internet
Hinton's Lock & Alarm	12.00	Dyndns Account (Camera System)
Kriz Davis Company	1,361.92	electric supplies
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Patricia Lamberty	3,000.00	HSA Contribution
Paula De Laune	369.40	CC: Salary
Ralph De Laune	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Ralph De Laune	3,000.00	HSA Contribution
League of Nebraska Municipalities	80.00	Registration Fee (Roy -WW Operator's Conf)

Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	889.12	tipping fees
Mills Hardware	26.09	supplies
Mills Hardware	1,240.91	supplies/tools
William Moser	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
William Moser	3,000.00	HSA Contribution
Municipal Supply, Inc.	280.47	water supplies
NE Safety & Fire Equipment	125.00	CC: Fire Alarm Inspection
Nansel's Best Service	151.32	gas/diesel/tire repair
Nebraska Department of Revenue		
	1,308.39	4 th Quarter State WH
Nebraska U.C. Fund	10.88	4 th Quarter Unemployment
Olsson Associates	3,555.93	Engineering Fees
One Call Concepts, Inc.	11.50	One Call Fees
Pacific Life & Annuity Company		
	530.92	pension
Petty Cash Fund	85.23	Postage/Supplies/Misc
Pinnacle Bank	39.99	Northern Tool Hotline Membership
Stephanie Reed	38.79	Salary
Reed's Food Center	67.01	supplies
Resource Action Programs	270.27	Energy Detective School Kit Program
Salt Creek Software, Inc.	2,130.00	Load Management Support Plan
The Arnold Sentinel	1,484.10	Publishing Fees
USA Blue Book	81.14	WW Plant Expense
Village of Arnold	5,264.08	utilities
CPI	461.14	gas/diesel
Custer Public Power District	312.70	electricity
Pinnacle Bank	38.00	Safe Deposit Box (Annual Fee)
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$74,797.30	

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

Garrett Klein, Olsson Associates, attended the meeting regarding Phase 3 of the Distribution Voltage Conversion and Rebuild Project. The project includes:

1. Rebuild and Conversion from 2400 Volts to 12,470 Volts the Carroll/Broadway Alley from Washington Avenue to Tyler Avenue
2. Resagging of the West Rural (Highway 92) line
3. Spot pole replacements/additions near the intersection of Highway 92 and Haskall
4. An add alternate for rebuild and conversion from 2,400 Volts to 12,470 Volts of the northeast residential area (East Jefferson to Tyler, east of Carroll)

Olsson Associates preliminary opinion of cost for Phase 3 of the Distribution Voltage Conversion and Rebuild Project is \$270,000. The \$270,000 includes the Add Alternate. After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by Olson that Olsson Associates be authorized to finalize the drawings and bid documents, and to solicit competitive bids for construction of the project. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was Perry & Karen Sage will attend the meeting to request that a stop sign be placed at the corner of North Broadway and West Jefferson. Perry & Karen Sage were unable to attend the meeting. Discussion was held on installing a red yield sign instead of a stop sign. The matter was tabled. William Moser, Village Superintendent, informed the Board that Chris Myers at 409 N Broadway has given permission to remove the trees that are obstructing the view of traffic.

After discussion, moved by Olson and seconded by Turley that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION 2016-1

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE VILLAGE'S 1994 FORD COMPACT TRUCK ON THE BIG IRON ONLINE AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016. EQUIPMENT SELLS AS IS WITH NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES.

Bidding starts 21 days prior to the Online Auction on February 17, 2016. (www.bigiron.com). Notice of this sale will be published in the Arnold Sentinel and a copy of this Resolution will be posted in three prominent places within the Village.

The Chairperson put the Resolution to a vote. Those voting FOR PASSAGE: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Those voting AGAINST PASSAGE: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Kulp and seconded by McDowell that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION 2016-2

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE VILLAGE'S 1996 FORD CROWN VICTORIA ON THE BIG IRON ONLINE AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY,

FEBRUARY 17, 2016. EQUIPMENT SELLS AS IS WITH NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES.

Bidding starts 21 days prior to the Online Auction on February 17, 2016. (www.bigiron.com). Notice of this sale will be published in the Arnold Sentinel and a copy of this Resolution will be posted in three prominent places within the Village.

The Chairperson put the Resolution to a vote. Those voting FOR PASSAGE: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Those voting AGAINST PASSAGE: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by McDowell and seconded by Olson that William Moser, Superintendent, be authorized to sign the Online Auction Listing and Marketing Agreement with Big Iron. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

At 7:30 P.M. Chairman Glen Bowers 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. Cheryl Carson, Economic Development Director, presented AEDC's update for July to Dec 2015:

Loan Updates:

Three business loans were approved in the last six months, totaling \$28,000.00. Additionally three grants were approved totaling \$6,000.00 (Businesses included are Mills Hardware, Arnold Motel, and Sal's Dog Grooming)

AEDC Board Members:

Andrew Tickle- President
Lisa Nelson- Treasurer
Sarah Buchholz- Secretary
Holly Remund
Karen Horst
Bob Allen
Glen Bowers – Liaison for Village

Project Updates:

***Live Radio Spot** – In July, in addition to our regular radio advertising of Arnold events, a live spot at the radio station was done to promote our two events that month. (Devils Den Bike Rally & River Battle)

***State Historical Registry / Finch Library:** As of July 1st Finch Memorial Library is listed as a Historical Landmark. Official Certificate Presentation was made to the Library Board on August 11th. The official certificate is framed and displayed at Finch Memorial Library.

***LB840 Election:** Election was held September 15th for LB840. (Economic Development Plan and 1% Sales tax)

Election results are as follows.

Economic Development Plan FOR – 158 AGAINST 15

Local Option Sales Tax FOR – 157 AGAINST 16

173 voted out of a possible 376 registered voters, about 46% (90% approval rate)

***Solar Eclipse Meeting:** Attended a Solar Eclipse meeting in North Platte. In August Arnold was listed as one of three best locations to view the solar eclipse. Plans are to hold a meeting to begin looking at organizing and hosting a viewing site.

***(CAPABLE)** Custer Alliance for Preparing and Advocating Business, Labor and Education. September - Jenny Fox, director and Arnold Public School have paired some of Arnolds students with businesses in Arnold to give them internship exposure. Students were able to choose an Arnold business they would like to learn more about. Jenny and I then went around and spoke to the business and introduced this program to them. They were very receptive!! The business and the student work together to understand the many facets that goes into being a business owner, and entrepreneur. Jenny keeps in touch with both the business owner and the student to make sure goals and learning are achieved. This program encourages not only the entrepreneur side, but encourages student to possibly come back and open a business in their home town community, or when the need arises take ownership of an existing ready to transfer local business. This is the first year for this program, and hopes are to see it grow and include many more Arnold businesses.

***Nebraska Main Street Network:-** October - Held a public webinar at AEDC office. Tools to revitalize downtown buildings, understanding how the adoption of "IEBC, International EXISTING Building Code "could help benefit rehab projects for downtown. It's geared for historic and existing buildings, if used with other programs, to financially make building updates, facelifts, etc. to make them safer and viable.

***Entrepreneurship Best Practices Summit:** October - Attended seminar with Joel Morgan, Arnold School Principal, as well as Clay and Julie Mohr of School House Graphics. Very informative perspective of how entrepreneurs see their role and the role their communities play in supporting them. After attending, it has renewed my idea of possibly doing a summer entrepreneurship camp for our 6-8 grade students, to introduce them to the concepts, and spark within themselves, ideas of entrepreneurship and its possibilities.

***Assist Callaway in better understanding servicing of LB840 loans:** November - Traveled to Callaway to assist in training and clarifying what is required in the process of loan servicing. Reviewed paperwork requirements, assisted in drafting / construction new documents to fit their community in particular. In addition to Callaway, I have received calls from another community asking questions about how we service our AEDC loans and the LB840 loans. Our community is so unique in the fact we have the AEDC office to take care of the loan servicing needs, as well as other services we provide where other communities do not. Thru these latest conversations, and earlier ones this spring, I have found we have avoided a lot of conflict issues and the additional work load to our village clerks who already have heavy workloads to deal with on a daily basis. **Thank you** Arnold for supporting us, LB840, and your local businesses!

***Marketing Seminar in North Platte:** November - Traveled to North Platte to attend a marketing seminar focused on how to promote your particular message. This was applicable in promoting our town events and Arnold in general. Great information on what the current trends are, reaching your target audience and demographics

***Custer County Tourism Board** – November - I was asked to consider becoming a member of the Custer County Tourism Board. I accepted. As director for the AEDC, it was thought this would be a beneficial appointment to be a member of this committee and to represent one of the communities outside Broken Bow. I will be traveling to Broken Bow monthly when necessary, to participate in board meetings and activities.

***Christmas Around Town:** December – Christmas Around Town promotion and advertising. Craft and home based business were featured in three locations this year, as well as several of our local businesses here in town. (Community Center, Legion Hall, and the AEDC office)

***New idea for “Who’s Who in Business in Arnold”:** December – I’m currently looking into producing a “Who’s Who in business in ARNOLD”. This would be an informational, usable directory for consumers to use as an informational listing of business in and around Arnold. The purpose would be to give more exposure to our local business owners. I would like to have copies distributed to residences, and also have copies available at the AEDC office, at various businesses, and at our lodging facilities. Considerations for project to move forward are cost, format of guide, and time needed to gather information and pictures from business owners.

***Higher visible recognition for office:** School House Graphics is going to be placing the actual business name and hours on the glass door.

Web Site / Facebook Status:

Continue to keep Kristi Dvorak informed of needed Arnold website changes and updates.

I maintain the Facebook page, writing for website blog, writing articles for the Arnold Sentinel, Visit Nebraska website updates, and informing our advertisers when we need events promoted. We will continue to utilize coverage/advertising from KNOP TV, Custer County Chief, Arnold Sentinel, KBBN and KRVN, AEDC website and AEDC Facebook page, Visit Nebraska, and from time to time surrounding community newspapers.

I keep informed of businesses/housing for sale/rent, and new businesses, and information needing posted to the classifieds section. We have been fortunate that several houses have been sold since July. The larger houses are in more demand to suit family needs.

Plans are to still peruse a feature business of the month on our Facebook page, will pick a business to feature, and highlight so our community and surrounding areas can see what great things we have to offer! We will continue to highlight any specials business would like us to add to the Facebook page and events in Arnold. (Store front and home based) *Business, clubs organizations are encouraged to contact Arnold Economic Development office to have information included or posted.

Community/Chamber Projects

Kegs, Corks & Crafts :

Not only are we promoting locally and with Visit Nebraska.com, but Nebraska Life Magazine has listed our event as well. Kegs, Corks, & Crafts will be Feb 13th 2pm -7pm. This year will feature Kinkaiders Brewery of Broken Bow, and Mac’s Creek of Lexington, as well as retail, craft, and food vendors.

Chairman Glen Bowers asked for comments from the floor. There were no comments. Moved

by Olson and seconded by McDowell to close the hearing. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. Hearing closed at 7:40 P.M.

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

AEDC	\$1,481.25	Salary (Cheryl Carson - Reimbursement)
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (reimbursement)
Kristi Dvorak	325.00	AEDC: Website Updates
Great Plains Communications	108.14	telephone
Mills Hardware	2.99	office supplies
Hanna Powell	22.50	Contract Labor (Janitorial)
Reeds Food Center	12.83	supplies
Village of Arnold	90.49	utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$2,093.20	

Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Kulp, McDowell, Olson, Turley. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Glen Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.