

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
May 11, 2026

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, May 11, 2026, 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. On roll call, the following were present: Glen Bowers, Donnell DeLosh, Zach Hagler, Austin Snyder. Absent: Jason Jenkins. A quorum being present the following proceedings were had and done. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, recorded the proceedings.

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 April 13, 2026, were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder that the minutes of the regular meeting on April 13, 2026, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the claims paid in April:

04/13	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID	
		\$109,352.67
04/14	Greeley Concrete LLC	45,000.00 Carroll Street Courts Cement Pad
04/17	Nebraska Department of Revenue	3,936.20 Sales/Use Tax
04/30	Payroll	10,179.94
	Aflac	349.37 Payroll Deductions
	IRS	3,105.80 Fed WH/Payroll Taxes
	Nebraska Department of Revenue	

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$172,322.53

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

\$125,971.94 in the General Fund
 \$ 26,524.70 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate
 \$130,592.47 in the Street Fund
 \$ 45,526.66 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund
 \$772,848.94 in the Electric Fund
 \$106,496.09 in the Water Fund
 \$113,731.38 in the Sewer Fund
 \$ 22,343.20 in the Solid Waste Fund
 \$ 28,344.46 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account
 \$343,158.50 in the Economic Development Fund
 \$ 1,014.30 in the Community Development Agency Fund
 \$ 13,312.44 in the Trust & Agency Funds

as of April 30, 2026. After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by Bowers that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Lab		
	\$ 359.67	Testing (WW)
Aristotle Funds	639.67	Pension
Arnold Pool Company	3,279.70	Pool Expense
Arnold Public School	210.00	Liquor License (Punchy Poppy) Tobacco License (Highlander)
Mary Becker	825.47	Salary
Borders & Furrow Law PC	60.00	Attorney Fee
Brown Underground (Parts/Labor)	360.00	Sprinkler Repairs
CNA Surety Direct Bill	300.00	Treasurer Bond
Central Nebraska Bobcat	226.90	Filters - Bobcat
City of North Platte	458.09	Tipping Fees
Country Partners Cooperative	1,753.52	Diesel/Gas/Propane/Scale Fees
Crow Construction	2,996.43	Old Mill Park Project: Labor/Materials
Custer Public Power District	75.54	Electricity
Thomas Dennis	29.62	Salary
EMC Insurance Companies	216.00	Insurance - Dump Trailer

Eakes Office Solutions	63.58	Office Supplies
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Harvey Foran	1,047.30	Salary
Kenneth Goodenow Jr.	137.52	Salary
Marshia Grant	400.00	Contract Labor (CC)
Great Plains Communications		
	592.44	Telephone/Internet
HireRight, LLC	45.35	Drug Testing Services
Eric Holmberg	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Johnny on the Spot	250.00	Portable Toilets
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
League of Nebraska Municipalities		
	410.00	Registration Fee (Patty - Finance Conf)
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	1,326.78	Tipping Fees
Loup Valley Construction	1,237.50	Crawler Dozer with Operator
Melham Medical Center	65.00	Drug Testing Services
Medica Insurance	7,952.59	Health Insurance
Mills Hardware	145.43	Water Expense
Mills Hardware	325.67	Street Expense
Mills Hardware	2,363.10	Park Expense
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska		
	18,469.13	Electricity
Municipal Supply, Inc.	511.30	Hydrant Repair Parts
NE Public Health Environmental Lab		
	31.00	Testing (Water)
Nansel's Best Service	561.97	Gas/Diesel/Equipment Repairs
Nebraska Rural Water Association		
	250.00	Membership Dues
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	78.80	Hearing Protection Headphones
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	227.36	Steel Toe Work Boots
Pinnacle Bank	20.00	Wire Transfer Fee (WAPA)
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	83.64	Donuts (Community Clean Up)
Postmaster	126.46	Every Door Direct Mail (Scrap Tire Cleanup)
Reeds Food Center	150.20	CC: Supplies
Reeds Food Center	75.84	Community Clean Up Expenses
Derick Shelton	350.00	CC: Mulch
The Arnold Sentinel	1,152.43	Printing & Publishing Fees
The Arnold Sentinel	1,214.52	Tree Grant Expenses
USA Blue Book	99.70	WW Plant Expense: Lab Instruments
Village of Arnold	5,268.97	Utilities
Village of Stapleton	855.00	Trucking Fees
Norma Walker	400.00	CC: Contract Labor
Weathercraft Companies	282.00	Garage Door Opener Remotes

Western Area Power Administration
12,471.40 Electricity

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$70,982.59

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder that the claims be approved and paid as presented except for the claim payable to Country Partners Cooperative. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

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

AEDC UPDATE:

Cheryl Carson, Arnold Economic Development Director, informed the Board that there will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, May 21, for Grazers, The Highlander, and Punchy Poppy.

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

AEDC	\$3,478.44	Salary (C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	266.11	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Cheryl Carson	47.85	Mileage
Natalie J. Cool	550.00	Bookkeeping Services
Marshia Grant	75.00	Contract Labor
Great Plains Communications	127.87	Telephone/Internet
Village of Arnold	116.52	Utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$		4,711.79

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

Danielle Lamb attended the meeting to request approval for an amendment to The Highlander's liquor license. Danielle Lamb explained that the amendment would add a secondary catering license, which allows the licensee to apply for Special Designated Licenses without an additional fee to the state. After discussion, it was moved by Bowers and seconded by Snyder to approve the amendment to add the secondary catering license. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to approve the application from the Highlander for a Special Designated License for Saturday, July 18, 2026, and Saturday, July 25, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. at the Community Center for wedding receptions. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

Heather Hagler, representing the Devil's Den Motorcycle Organization, attended the meeting to request permission to hold the Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally on Friday, July 10, and Saturday, July 11, at the Arnold Recreation Area. The rally will be held on the north side of the Arnold Recreation Area, west of the picnic shelter. The organization also requested permission to block off the road at the Arnold Recreation Area beginning on Thursday, July 9. After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Snyder to grant permission for the Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally to be held July 10 and July 11 at the Arnold Recreation Area for a fee of \$150.00 and to allow the road to be blocked from July 9 to July 12. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Snyder. Nay: none. Abstain: Hagler. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

After discussion, moved by Snyder and seconded by DeLosh to approve the Arnold Golf Association's application for a Special Designated Liquor License for the Devil's Den Motorcycle Rally at the Arnold Recreation Area on Friday, July 10, from 4:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. and on Saturday, July 11, from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 A.M. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Snyder. Nay: none. Abstain: Hagler. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

TREE BOARD

Mary Becker informed the Board that the Arbor Day Foundation named Arnold a 2025 Tree City USA in honor of its commitment to plant, grow and maintain trees to benefit its community. Arnold also received a Growth Award for demonstrating improved levels of tree care and community engagement.

Mary Becker presented the Board with signage for the "Rooted in Community" Arnold Tree Project. Mary Becker worked with the Arnold Sentinel to design and create the signs, which will be placed next to newly planted trees throughout town and in the parks. Residents who receive new trees will also be provided with a door hanger containing tree care instructions. The expense for the signage will be reimbursed through the Tree Grant.

Mary Beckers said that the grant funding for the "Rooted in Community" Arnold Tree Project will provide for the planting of thirty-nine (39) new trees this fall. The "Rooted in Community" Arnold Tree Project is a three-year project (2025-2028).

CARROLL STREET COURTS PROJECT

Patricia Lamberty informed the Board that the Village received \$5,000 from the Custer County Foundation through its 2025 Spring Grant Application for this project.

Mary Becker presented a proposal from Pro Track and Tennis to stripe one tennis Court, one pickleball court, and two half basketball courts. The proposal amount is \$7,900.00. Mary Becker informed the Board that the Village was awarded \$3,5000.00 from Mid Nebraska Community Foundation for painting the lines. Mary Becker also stated that Village employees might be able to paint the lines as needed in subsequent years. Donnell DeLosh stated that he wanted to ensure the lines were painted accurately the first time. Discussion was held regarding seeking additional funding from various organizations, and Mary Becker stated that she would look into additional funding opportunities. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to accept the proposal from Pro Track and Tennis in the amount of \$7,900.00 and to authorize Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to issue payment to Pro Track and Tennis upon completion of the line painting project at the Carroll Street Courts. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

BIG IRON ONLINE AUCTION

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

VILLAGE OF ARNOLD **RESOLUTION 2026-6**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE FOLLOWING:

1982 Ford 800 3 Ton Dump Truck
Rhino, 184, Rotary Mower
2001 Dodge 2500 Utility Truck
Husqvarna Mower Z246
DR Walk Behind Mower

**ON THE BIG IRON ONLINE AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2026.
EQUIPMENT SELLS AS IS WITH NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES.**

Bidding starts 21 days prior to the Online Auction on June 24, 2026. (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.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES that Eric Holmberg, Village Superintendent, be authorized to sign the Online Auction Listing & Marketing Agreement.

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

NUISANCE ABATEMENT

Edward Dunn of the West Central Nebraska Development District (WCNDD) presented an update on Arnold's Nuisance Program in his role as Nuisance Officer for the Village of Arnold. Edward Dunn reported that thirty-three (33) courtesy letters were issued to property owners regarding nuisance violations. Following issuance of these notices, seven (7) properties were voluntarily brought into compliance. An additional six (6) properties were granted extensions, with a compliance deadline set for June 1, 2026. Edward Dunn provided the Board with a slideshow presentation documenting current nuisance properties located in Section 4. Edward Dunn presented a list of Resolutions for the Board's consideration. It was noted that the numbers of the Resolutions have been revised to reflect properties that have since achieved compliance.

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

Resolution No. **2026-7** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (**2026 ARN 004 – PID: 000672900, 309 S Walnut St., Arnold, NE 69120**).

Resolution No. **2026-8** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (**2026 ARN 006 – PID 000721300, 204 W 3rd Ave., Arnold, NE 69120**).

Resolution No. **2026-9** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (**2026 ARN 007 – PID 000721500, 402 S Carroll St., Arnold, NE 69120**).

Resolution No. **2026-10** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (**2026 ARN 008 – PID 000698100, 706 S Carroll St., Arnold, NE 69120**).

Resolution No. **2026-11** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (**2026 ARN 011 – PID 000706300, 105 E 4th Ave., Arnold, NE 69120**).

Resolution No. **2026-12** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (**2026 ARN 018 – PID 000706800, 512 S Hillcrest St., Arnold, NE 69120**).

Resolution No. **2026-13** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska,

Declaring a Nuisance Property (2026 ARN 019 – PID 000706600, 502 S Hillcrest St., Arnold, NE 69120).

Resolution No. **2026-14** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (2026 ARN 020 – PID 000707100, 505 S Haskell St., Arnold, NE 69120).

Resolution No. **2026-15** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (2026 ARN 021 – PID 000705600, 408 E 4th Ave., Arnold, NE 69120).

Resolution No. **2026-16** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (2026 ARN 022 – PID 000705700, Arnold, NE 69120).

Resolution No. **2026-17** Resolution of the Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of Arnold, Nebraska, Declaring a Nuisance Property (2026 ARN 028 – PID 000703400, 209 S Haskell St., Arnold, NE 69120).

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

The next item on the agenda was consideration and discussion of the tree pile and grass clippings. Eric Holmberg informed the Board that the tree pile at Old Mill Park was burned on April 28. Discussion followed regarding options for handling the grass clippings. Eric Holmberg will research potential options for grass clippings.

After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Snyder to accept the Audit for Fiscal Year Ending September 2025 as prepared. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

VILLAGE CLERK/TREASURER POSITION

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, presented the Board with a job description for the Village Clerk/Treasurer position. After discussion, moved by Hagler and seconded by Snyder to approve the job description for Village Clerk/Treasurer position. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the beginning salary for a full-time office position, which will transition into the role of Clerk/Treasurer. The Board agreed on a starting wage of \$19.00 per hour, negotiable depending on experience. The full-time office position will be advertised.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that effective July 1, she will transition from the group health plan to Medicare. The premium for the group health plan is \$2,163.38 per month while the monthly Medicare premiums are approximately \$394.00 per month. Patricia Lamberty requested reimbursement for the Medicare premiums. After discussion, moved by

Hagler and seconded by DeLosh to reimburse Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, for the Medicare premiums. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Edward Dunn advised the Board that anyone with concerns about nuisance abatement should reach out to the West Central Nebraska Development District office.

Becky Dailey reported that the volleyball nets at the Arnold Recreation Area are in poor condition. Patricia Lamberty, the Village Clerk, stated that the Village did not purchase the volleyball nets for that location.

COMMENTS FROM THE VILLAGE SUPERINTENDENT

Sewer Line Maintenance

Johnson Services cleaned sewer lines on May 8 and May 11 in preparation for installation of Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) lining, a trenchless sewer repair method that restores structural integrity, limits root intrusion, and restricts groundwater infiltration. The following areas were completed:

- North Broadway (between Jefferson and Tyler)
- Cedar (between Jefferson and Tyler)
- Alley between East Washington and East Lincoln

Street Department

Seven loads of 3/8" chips from Croell, Inc. in North Platte have been hauled, totaling approximately 88 Tons.

Water Department

Sargent Irrigation tested the wells in April. The results will be presented at the June Board Meeting.

Swimming Pool:

Cleaning and patching of the swimming pool is underway.

Wastewater Plant

The UV Lights have been installed at the Wastewater Plant

Community Activities

Stapleton students will be taking a field trip on Wednesday, May 13, to the Arnold Recreation Area for a fishing trip.

Code Enforcement:

One warning was issued for dogs running at large

COMMENTS FROM THE VILLAGE CLERK

The Village received \$750.00 from the Salvation Army, Custer County Branch, to help cover the cost of swimming lessons

LB759 Update;

Effective July 18, 2026, the Nebraska Department of Water, Energy, and Environment (DWEE) will no longer issue or renew annual operating permits nor conduct inspections for swimming pools. Local governments with jurisdiction will be required to adopt minimum sanitary and safety requirements through local regulations/ordinances and shall perform inspections.

Tire Cleanup is scheduled for May 28-29-30

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Zach Hagler declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.