

ARNOLD COMMUNITY CENTER
August 10, 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, August 10, 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, Jason Jenkins, Austin Snyder. Absent: none. A full council 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 on the table at the front of the meeting room for anyone wishing to review it.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on July 13, 2026, and the special meeting on July 21, 2026, were not read as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Moved by Jenkins and seconded by DeLosh that the minutes of the regular meeting on July 13, 2026, be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Snyder and seconded by DeLosh that the minutes of the special meeting on July 21, 2026, be approved with the following correction:

The first item on the agenda was a request from Danielle Lamb, d/b/a The Highlander, to discuss an addition to the licensed premises. Danielle Lamb was unable to attend the meeting; however, Crystal Hanna attended on her behalf. ~~Crystal Hanna~~ Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, explained that the proposed addition to the licensed premises would be a beer

garden enclosed by a permanent fence. ~~She also~~ Patricia Lamberty stated that The Highlander has entered into a lease agreement with Casey and Nicole Cozad for the grass area located between The Highlander building and the building owned by Casey and Nicole Cozad, where the beer garden will be located. After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Snyder to approve the amendment to The Highlander's liquor license to include the additional licensed area. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Snyder. Nay: None. Absent: Jenkins. Motion carried.

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

The Clerk presented the claims paid in July:

07/13 TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS APPROVED & PAID
\$127,063.70

07/15 National Sports Products

1,875.00 Tennis Net/Backboards

Village of Arnold 5,000.00 Transfer to Closure/Post
Closure Account

Nebraska Department of Revenue

3,895.52 Sales Tax

07/22 Pye-Barker Fire Safety 2,980.00 CC: Valve Repairs

07/31 Payroll 10,179.94

Aflac 349.37 Payroll Deductions

IRS 6,062.96 Fed WH/Payroll Taxes

Nebraska Department of Revenue

605.42 State Withholding

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$158,011.91

The Treasurer's Report shows there is

\$189,086.72 in the General Fund

\$ 19,959.46 in the Edna B. Peterson Estate

\$ 72,410.77 in the Street Fund

\$ 46,666.99 in the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Fund

\$804,446.82 in the Electric Fund

\$144,841.41 in the Water Fund

\$131,393.71 in the Sewer Fund

\$ 14,835.88 in the Solid Waste Fund

\$ 33,345.20 in the Closure/Post Closure Care Account

\$347,235.23 in the Economic Development Fund

\$ 1,014.33 in the Community Development Agency Fund
\$ 12,535.22 in the Trust & Agency Funds

as of July 31, 2026. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Jenkins that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following claims on file:

American Agricultural Lab		
	\$ 192.32	Testing (WW)
Aristotle Funds	639.67	Pension
Arnold Public School	300.00	Liquor License - Grazers
Mary Becker	787.95	Salary
City of North Platte	219.20	Tipping Fees
Country Partners Cooperative		
	1,344.30	Diesel/Chemicals/Scale Fees
Custer Public Power District		
	57.92	Electricity
Thomas Dennis	25.31	Salary
Eakes Office Solutions	103.84	CC: Floor Cleaner
Tory Edwards	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Harvey Foran	821.06	Salary
Kenneth Goodenow Jr.	419.37	Salary
Marshia Grant	495.00	Contract Labor (CC/Parks)
Great Plains Communications		
	633.43	Telephone/Internet
Eric Holmberg	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Johnny on the Spot	250.00	Portable Toilets
Kennedy Landscape Services LLC		
	1,527.00	ARA: Trees
Patricia Lamberty	50.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement
Patricia Lamberty	1,986.04	Partial PTO Payout
Lexington Area Solid Waste Agency		
	1,468.32	Tipping Fees
MacQueen Equipment	9,121.75	Parts/Labor (Street Sweeper)
Medica Insurance	5,789.21	Health Insurance
Mills Hardware	113.44	Water Expense
Mills Hardware	57.71	Pool Expense
Mills Hardware	459.01	Street Expense
Mills Hardware	407.02	Park Expense
Mills Hardware	57.99	Trash Expense
Mills Hardware	29.96	CC Expense
Mills Hardware	104.31	UPS Shipping (WW Sample)
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska		
	22,870.50	Electricity

Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska

403.13 Reg Fee - Lineworkers
Training Conference

NE Public Health Environmental Lab

	15.00	Testing (Water)
Nansel's Best Service	3,006.45	Gas/Diesel/Equipment Repairs
Petty Cash Fund	155.90	Stamps/Postage/CC Expense
Pinnacle Bank	20.00	Wire Transfer Fee (WAPA)
Pinnacle Bank (VISA)	75.00	Registration Fees (Tree City USA)
Pye-Barker Fire Safety	580.95	CC: Outside Valve Repairs
Reed's Food Center	85.80	Pool/CC Expense
The Arnold Sentinel	38.00	Annual Subscription
The Arnold Sentinel	687.94	Printing & Publishing Fees
Utilities Section	562.00	Membership Dues
Village of Arnold	8,204.91	Utilities
WESCO Receivables Corp	8,234.31	Electric Supplies
Norma Walker	400.00	CC: Contract Labor
American Test Center	1,197.00	Annual Safety Inspections
Borders & Furrow Law PC	240.00	Attorney Fee
Casey L. Connell	2,030.00	Materials/Labor (Carroll Street Courts)
Kyser Tiede	2,318.85	Parks: Salary
Village of Stapleton	1,085.00	Trucking Fees/Roll Off
WCNDD	3,275.00	Nuisance Officer
Western Area Power Administration		
	18,282.60	Electricity
Pool Payroll	13,292.90	

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$114,622.37

After discussion, moved by Hagler 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, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

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

SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Village Engineer Tom Werblow and Professional Engineer Bernie Straetker met with the Board to publicly open the bids for the Sidewalk Improvement Project for the 100 Block of South Walnut Street. Several business owners, Economic Development Director Cheryl Carson, along

with Dalton Greely, d/b/a Greeley Concrete, and Lane Watson, representing Level LLC, were also in attendance.

The base bids for 4-inch reinforced concrete sidewalk were as follows:

Greeley Concrete	Arnold, NE	\$207,880.00
Level LLC	North Platte, NE	\$227,316.00
Myers Construction, Inc.	Broken Bow, NE	\$219,166.34
Paulsen, Inc.	Cozad, NE	\$195,614.00
Steele Roofing and Construction	North Platte, NE	\$282,846.20

Bids were also submitted for Alternate 1 (6-inch unreinforced concrete) and Alternate 2 (6-inch reinforced concrete). Tom Werblow stated that he will prepare a bid tabulation for the Base Bid, Alternate 1, and Alternate 2 and will present it at the special meeting on August 18. After discussion, moved by Jenkins and seconded by Bowers to table consideration of the bids. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Hagler, Jenkins, Snyder. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

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

AEDC	\$1,750.62	Salary (C Carson-Reimbursement)
AEDC	133.92	Payroll Taxes - Reimbursement
Arnold Fall Festival	1,000.00	Tourism - Fall Festival Donation
Cheryl Carson	50.00	Cell Phone (Reimbursement)
Custer County Chief	550.00	Full Page Ad
Eakes Office Solutions	121.96	Office Supplies
Alexandra Gonzalez	150.00	Ad Design
Marshia Grant	37.50	Contract Labor
Great Plains Communications	135.41	Telephone/Internet
Gunther Fireworks	1,000.00	Tourism - Fireworks Donation
The Arnold Sentinel	43.22	Legal Notice
		(Sidewalk Improvements)
Village of Arnold	178.87	Utilities
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS \$	5,151.50	

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

Consideration of the Lease Agreement for the Gun Range between the Village of Arnold and DL Shooters LLC was the next item on the agenda. Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, informed the Board that Dusty and Lori Stutzman were unable to attend the meeting. The matter will be placed on the agenda for the August 18 special meeting.

Consideration of the sealed bid for propane was the next item on the agenda. Country Partners Cooperative submitted a bid of \$1.54 per gallon for a one-year period, from September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2027. After discussion, Hagler moved and Snyder seconded to accept the bid submitted by Country Partners Cooperative at \$1.54 per gallon. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, Jenkins, Hagler, Snyder; Nay: none; Abstain: DeLosh; Absent: none. Motion carried.

A bid proposal from Midlands Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$16,020.00 for point repairs on Cedar Street was the next item on the agenda. A point repair on a sewer system is a localized repair made only to the damaged section of pipe. After discussion, moved by Bowers and seconded by Snyder to accept the bid proposal from Midlands Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$16,020.00 for point repairs on Cedar Street. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Hagler, Snyder; Nay: none; Absent: none. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, presented the Board with two estimates from Brent Urbanosky:

- Repair Crow's Nest @ Old Mill Park ESTIMATE \$3,194.70
- Repair Office Awning ESTIMATE \$1,752.44

The Board discussed the repair of the Crow's Nest. Donnell DeLosh volunteered to call Justin Strasburg to determine which project is needed more - the Crow's Nest or lighting. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Hagler to contract with Brent Urbanosky to repair the office awning. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Hagler, Snyder; Nay: none; Absent: none. Motion carried.

Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk informed the Board that the Nebraska Department of Transportation requires a Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance form and a Resolution authorizing the signing of the certification by the Village Board Chairperson. After discussion, moved by DeLosh and seconded by Bowers that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION 2026-28

SIGNING OF THE MUNICIPAL ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM 2026

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, Section 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Village Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification.

Be it resolved that the Village Board Chairperson of Village of Arnold is hereby authorized to sign the attached Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance.

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

After discussion, moved by Snyder and seconded by Hagler to authorize Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to sign the Lease Agreement with Terry Rush for the sign located along Nebraska Highway 92 at Mile Post 273.4. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Hagler, Snyder; Nay: none; Absent: none. Motion carried.

TREE BOARD

After discussion, moved by Jenkins and seconded by DeLosh to authorize Patricia Lamberty, Village Clerk, to sign the agreement with Greener Towns for the implementation of the Koubek Gardens Project. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Hagler, Snyder; Nay: none; Absent: none. Motion carried.

Mary Becker informed the Board that she applied for a grant for three free trees through the Ten Free Trees Program. If awarded the Village would be responsible for planting the trees and providing mulch and staking as part of the program requirements.

Mary Becker invited the Board to attend the Nebraska Tree City USA Field Day and Celebration on August 13 at Cody Park in North Platte. Several members of the Tree Board will be attending the celebration. Arnold will be specifically recognized for the work the community has been doing to promote and maintain its trees.

“Rooted in Community” Arnold Tree Project 2025-2028

Mary Becker informed the Board that in year one of the three-year grant, several trees were removed during December 2025 and January 2026 as part of the **“Rooted in Community”** Arnold Tree Project. A total of thirty-nine (39) new trees will be planted in September and October, 2026, as the next phase of the project. Mary Becker stated that she has been working with Eric Holmberg on plans for irrigating the trees at the Arnold Recreation Area. Eric Holmberg informed the Board that there is a well at the Arnold Recreation Area that is not suitable for human consumption but can be used to water the trees. Discussion was held regarding extending lines from the well to install a drip irrigation system for the trees.

Mary Becker informed the Board that Kennedy Landscaping will be planting trees at the Arnold Recreation Area. The claim from Kennedy Landscaping Services in the amount of \$1,527.00 is for the trees to be planted at the Arnold Recreation Area.

Discussion was held on salaries for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. After discussion, moved by Snyder and seconded by DeLosh to increase the salaries of Tory Edwards, Eric Holmberg, and Patricia Lamberty by 4%; and to increase Harvey Foran’s salary to \$25.40 per hour; and to increase the salaries of Mary Becker, Tom Dennis, and Kenneth Goodenow Jr’s to \$20.25 per hour. Roll call vote: Aye: Bowers, DeLosh, Jenkins, Hagler, Snyder; Nay: none; Absent: none. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Andrew Tickle mentioned that the downtown streets were blocked until Saturday afternoon. Eric Holmberg stated that he understood that the Village employees were to set out the cones out and that whoever was present at the end of the car show would be responsible for removing them.

Andrew Tickle mentioned that they have received numerous comments regarding the condition of the lake at the Arnold Recreation Area. Jason Jenkins stated that the Board is open to hearing possible solutions from the community. Donnell DeLosh reported that herbicides have been applied and manual raking has been performed to address the issue.

COMMENTS FROM THE VILLAGE CLERK

Recycling Meeting on Wednesday, August 12, at the Municipal Building in Broken Bow

COMMENTS FROM THE VILLAGE SUPERINTENDENT

The pool is officially closed for the season.

The tennis/pickleball net has been installed at the Carroll Street Courts

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Chairman Zach Hagler declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.