

**Village of Arrowsmith**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**June 8, 2023**

Present: Chad Walden, Brent Beyer, Cheryl West, Taryn Cross, Ray Wilson, Megan Lopez

Absent:

Guests:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was said by all present.

All board members present reviewed the May 2023 meeting minutes and voted to approve the minutes with one spelling change on page 1.

Taryn Cross made a motion to approve the minutes, Ray Wilson seconded the motion.

Ayes: Brent Beyer, Cheryl West, Taryn Cross, Ray Wilson

Nays: None

**Public Comment**

Cheryl let everyone know that she has seen kids riding around on a golf cart in town and Chad is aware of the issue. If you see this happen, please let Chad know and feel free to address the kids if you feel comfortable as a board member.

**SAFPD Representative District Report**

Ray Wilson provided the monthly status report: A total of 22 calls in May were responded to. Twenty (20) of those were medical in Saybrook and one (1) medical call was in Arrowsmith along with 1 mutual aid call to Gibson City.

Training will be completed this month on "drafting".

**Property and Grounds**

Chad asked the board members present if they are hearing any issues about the mowing contract this year or the business that we hired. Taryn has heard from an individual that they were upset that we hired a business and did not bid the contract out like in years past. Taryn told the individual to voice any concerns at the next board meeting.

**Water/Garbage and Recycling**

The bulk fill valve at FS is leaking. Chad will contact Charlie Olson to have him come out and look to see what can be done to correct the issue.

Chad reported that there is a homeowner turning on their own water at the shut off and not paying the monthly bill. Had purchased locks for the shut off and they will be installed ASAP.

The annual swimming pool billing will be sent out this month along with the monthly water bills.

Chad provided the monthly revenue report for May 2023 for water and garbage collections.

The water department will be working to update the water service and main maps in the next few months. We want to get this done before Joe Mikulecky retires in September.

### **Ordinance processes and enforcement**

North Walnut has two abandoned vehicles that have been left in the village right of way. Both are in states of disrepair with pieces having been removed. This is a violation of village code and the village will be sending registered letters to the presumed owners with towing to follow if they are not removed.

A fourth chicken coop is being built in town and this is against the village's ordinances. Chad will go have a talk with the homeowner. The board discussed the matter and agreed to send registered letters to the homeowners that currently have chickens. This letter will give them 30 days to abate the violation and get rid of the chickens.

McLean county health department is addressing a homeowner that has a septic field that has failed and has standing water in the backyard. Chad stated that he is receiving regular updates from the health department as to the status and what will be done to correct the issue.

### **Finance**

Brent Beyer provided the board with all account balances in the CIBM and Illinois Funds accounts for the month of May.

2023/24 budget review and approval:

Cheryl West made a motion to approve the 2023/24 budget, ordinance no. 200-2023 Taryn Cross seconded

Ayes: Cheryl West, Brent Beyer, Ray Wilson, Taryn Cross

Nays:

### **Streets/Alleys and Drainage**

North Walnut drainage: Chad stated that there is an inlet on the north side of Grant Street that is settling down into the ground. This will need to be dug up to determine what is causing this and if a new inlet needs to be installed or simply repair the tile beneath it. He also stated that additional work will need to be done on the north east corner of town to try to get water flowing east of town as well as some work done to direct water into existing inlets.

### **Community Relations**

Future community center rentals include: June 17 and 25, July 27, 28, August 12, 26, Thanksgiving of 2023 and December 2023.

Beautification committee met yesterday.

**Board calendar Items**

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.