

Village of Arrowsmith

Board Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2024

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

Absent: Taryn Cross

Guests: Taryn Lopshire

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 P.M.

The pledge of allegiance was said by all present.

All board members present reviewed the December 2023 meeting minutes and voted to approve the minutes with no changes.

Ray Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes, Cheryl West seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cheryl West, Ray Wilson, Brent Beyer

Nays: None

Public Comment

N/A

Finance

Brent Beyer provided the board with all account balances in the CIBM and Illinois Funds accounts for the month of December 2023.

The Mclean County mayor's group was supposed to meet last night but cancelled due to illness to discuss distribution of some remaining ARPA funds. The county board president has told the mayor's group that some communities have contacted the county directly for more funds and have bypassed the mayor's group. The mayors meeting will be rescheduled for some time in the next month and Chad mentioned to the board members present that he might be out of town when the next meeting convenes and may need a board member to attend in his place. Chad mentioned that Cooksville has had a catastrophic issue arise with their water tank so they will need some of the remaining funds immediately. Chad stated that Cooksville did not ask for a lot of money in the initial round of disbursement so they will be prioritized during the discussion. More to come next month on the second round of ARPA funds being disbursed and if the village will be able to utilize any of those funds.

SAFPD Representative District Report

Ray Wilson provided the monthly status report for the district for the month of December: Saybrook had a total of 6 EMS calls and 2 fire calls, Arrowsmith had 2 EMS and no fire calls for a total of 10 calls for the district.

The department has requested 8 classes from Cornerstone for 2024. Additional details on what those classes entail will be provided when available.

Property and Grounds

Nothing to report.

Water/Garbage and Recycling

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

Ordinance processes and enforcement

Nothing to report.

Streets/Alleys and Drainage

Speed sign data collection: Chad went over the results of our two new speed signs and the data collected between the timeframe of April 18, 2023 to December 9, 2023. The signs were installed on April 9, 2023. 82,321 vehicles passed the sign traveling north to south 4/18/2023 to 12/9/23. 55,188 vehicles passed the sign traveling south to north from 4/18/23 to 12/9/23.

We are seeing that the speeding has decreased over time and that these signs have been very beneficial to the town overall. Next year we will have a lot more data to show from these signs due to additional data collection being turned on. This data will be used to further the causes that are important to Arrowsmith specifically.

Community Relations

The villages webmaster Taryn Lopshire presented the new website to the board and reviewed the site content and design. Taryn went over the pages of the site and the board members reviewed and asked questions and provided real-time feedback for some minor changes for Taryn to implement. The board thanked Taryn for all her hard work, skill, and talent that she brought to the website. The board approved of the site and determined it was ready to be made available to the public. The official website of the Village of Arrowsmith is www.arrowsmithil.gov

Cheryl West shared a thank you letter from the 4th grade girls' basketball team from Ridgeview School District for the use of the community center for practice.

Board calendar Items

Nothing to report.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.