

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 05, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Dustin Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present for the meeting President Johnson, Vice President George Null, Members Suzanne Umbaugh, Member Juli Stauffer, Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney and Attorney Derek Jones.

MINUTES:

Minutes from the June 21, 2017 Regular Session were submitted for approval. Vice President Null motioned to accept the minutes with the spelling correction and Member Umbaugh seconded. Motion carried 3 to 1 with Member Stauffer abstaining due to absence.

CITIZEN INPUT –

Chris VanDuyne asked the Council how the mural project was progressing. After a very long discussion it was determined the Mr. VanDuyne would present the Council with samples of artist work and the Council would vote at the next meeting on whether the project could proceed.

Mr. VanDuyne also wanted to know if the Council had read the USDA grant that he presented about two months ago. After another discussion Member Stauffer made a motion to allow Mr. VanDuyne to apply for this grant on behalf of the Town of Argos. Vice President Null seconded the motion and motion carried 3 to 1 with Member Umbaugh opposing.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Attorney Jones was able to get ahold of Chuck DeWitt to give him a report for 405 S. Michigan St. once he gets the report he will proceed as needed.

Attorney Jones then proceeded to open the construction bid for the EMS Building. Only one contractor bid. Vice President Null motioned to accept Kolar Constructions bid with Options for steel beams and treating the existing wood studs to prevent mold. Member Stauffer seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Jones then proceeded to open the three insulation bids. All of the bids were reviewed by the Council. Vice President Null then made a motion to accept M&M Insulations bid with Option 2. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Member Umbaugh motioned to accept the Attorney Report, member Stauffer seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Board Openings/ MC Tourism.

Openings still available for the MC Tourism. President Johnson announced there would be an opening on the Plan Commission starting in July 13th.

Codification–

Attorney Jones stated he was able to talk with a representative from American Legal Publishing Corporation regarding his concerns. After talking with them he has a better understanding of what services they actually provide. Member Umbaugh made a motion to proceed with the codification through American Legal Corporation. Vice President Null seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other Old Business:

Member Umbaugh stated she spoke with the reality company regarding the old Speedway property. The price is still the same at \$65,000.00 they might accept \$55,000.00 but that would be the lowest they would go.

Memorial Park Flag Pole should be decided on at the next Park Board meeting on July 20th.

NEW Business:

Parkside Church Summer Carnival –

Vice President Null stated the Parkside church would be hosting their annual summer carnival on August 6th and would like to close off the area to vehicle traffic from 9am. To 4 p.m. and use the electric in the park. Member Stauffer made a motion to allow them to do all of that. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Budget Meetings-

Clerk/Treasurer Mullaney asked the Council to set budget meeting dates. They Council set the dates as July 17th and July 18th for the workshops.

Other New Business:

None

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney presented the July 5th claims which totaled \$507,798.91. Member Stauffer moved to accept claims #734 through #798 and Member Stauffer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board Member Stauffer moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Umbaugh seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Dustin Johnson, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer