

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL:

Present for the meeting: President Dustin Johnson, Vice President George Null, Members Charles R Snead, Juli Stauffer, Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney and Attorney Derek Jones.

MINUTES:

Minutes from the July 20th Regular Session were submitted for approval. Member Stauffer moved to accept the minutes and Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MCEDC & MACOG:

Mr. Chavez from the MCEDC introduced Zach Dripps from MACOG who gave a summary of the first meeting of the Town of Argos Comprehensive Plan Kickoff Visioning Meeting. Mr. Dripps gave an expected timeline of how the process of developing the Comprehensive Plan should go. He expects to have the finished draft in January and up for Council vote in February.

CITIZEN INPUT:

Carol Arnett commented on how good the downtown was starting to look. President Johnson read a thank you letter from Julia Campbell owner of Images Hair Salon. She wanted to thank the Council, especially Randy and Fern Snead and Juli Stauffer for their guidance through the process of applying for the Downtown Revitalization Project. She stated she really appreciated the allotted funds.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Attorney Jones stated that he had received an email stating the Amateur Radio Club of Marshall County no longer wishes to put an antenna on the top of the water tower. That email was forwarded to the Council earlier. Also Attorney Jones stated he sent the Fourway contract over to Mr. Houin to be signed with a start date of September 1, 2016. He has not received the contract back and will be getting ahold of Mr. Houin to let him know he needs it. Vice President Null motioned to accept the attorney report. Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Board Openings/ MC Tourism, Cemetery Board, BZA and Plan Commission:

Openings still available for the MC Tourism, Cemetery, Plan Commission, Redevelopment and BZA.

Other Old Business:

OLD LIBRARY:

Vice President Null has been in contact with Chet Gamble about estimates on sealing up the building. Chet brought two contractors down to look at the building after the first contractor did not get back with him. Should have estimates soon.

EMS BUILDING:

Vice President Null stated that the EMS Building needed all the doors looked at and that would just be a start to the expenses over there.

Greenslope Monument:

Vice President Null is drawing up plans for where the memorial will be placed. After Member Snead will enter the information into a CAD program and print definite plans. Memorial is still supposed to arrive around Veterans Day.

NEW Business:

Christmas Decorations –

Superintendent Burroughs presented information about buying new Christmas decorations for the twelve poles downtown. He also presented pricing for putting steel or wooden poles on either end of town. The Council would like the Redevelopment Committee to review the information and present a plan to the Council.

Ordinance 2016-10 Trash Collection Rates:

This Ordinance would raise trash rates from \$16.07 per month for residential customers to \$16.77 and \$25.00 per month for commercial to \$26.14 to make up for the price increase in the contract with Republic Services. In January 2017 the rate would drop to \$16.53 for residential and \$25.76 for commercial. For the next two subsequent years (2018,2019) the rate will raise by 1.5% in keeping with our contract. Vice President Null motioned to suspend the rules and pass this Ordinance on all three readings. Member Stauffer seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business –

New Sever for Town Office:

Clerk/Treasurer Mullaney presented a quote from Apeus Solutions for a new server. She stated that the server went down overnight. Bob Barcus from Apeus was able to get it working again but he recommended a new server be purchased to be the dominate server and use the old server for backup. The Council agreed to table this issue until all members could be present.

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney presented the August 3rd claims which totaled \$302,150.48. Vice President Null moved to accept claims #865 through #924 and Member Stauffer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board Vice President Null moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

Dustin Johnson, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer