

EXECUTIVE SESSION
6:30 P.M.

TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Dustin Johnson called the meeting to order at 07:33PM.

ROLL CALL

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Dustin Johnson called for nominations for Council President. Council Member Juli Stauffer nominated Dustin Johnson and member Suzanne Umbaugh nominated herself. Dustin Johnson secured the position of President by receiving votes from George Null, Juli Stauffer, and Charles R. Snead and himself while Suzanne Umbaugh opposed. Member Suzanne Umbaugh received votes from herself and Dustin Johnson with Members Null, Stauffer and Snead opposing. Council Member Charles R. Snead nominated Member George Null for Vice President. George Null secured the position by receiving votes from Members Johnson, Snead, Stauffer and himself while Member Umbaugh opposed.

MINUTES

Minutes from the December 21st Regular Session were submitted for approval. Member Umbaugh stated that Salary Ordinance 2016-16 the wording "all three readings" be added after suspend the rules and before "and pass". Member Snead then made a motion to accept the minutes with changes Member Juli Stauffer seconded. The motion carried four to one with Vice President Null abstaining due to absence.

CITIZEN INPUT

Resident Mark Umbaugh stated how much he appreciated Suzanne, Dustin and George who attended the Comprehensive Plan Meeting the night before. Vice President Null thanked all the department heads and employees for a great job staying under budget and serving the Town.

OLD BUSINESS

Attorney Report:

Attorney Jones said that the farm lease still needed to be signed by Mr. Voris and he would be contacting him again if not signed soon.

Vice President George Null moved to accept the Attorney Report and Council Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Openings:

MC Tourism, Plan Commission and BZA still have openings.

No letters of interest this meeting.

Other Old Business:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Old Speedway Gas Station:

Vice President Null motioned to have Attorney Jones send the Speedway Corporation a formal request for their plans for the building. Member Snead seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Council Meeting Times:

Vice President Null moved to keep the council meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30pm and Council Member Stauffer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of Utility Clerk:

Member Umbaugh motioned to appoint Lisa Mullaney as Utility Clerk for 2017. Member Stauffer seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Department Liaisons:

Newly Elected President Johnson assigned board members as liaisons to the following departments:

- Police- Dustin Johnson
- Fire- George Null
- EMS- Charles R. Snead
- Park- Suzanne Umbaugh
- Utilities- Suzanne Umbaugh
- Redevelopment – Juli Stauffer

Appointment of Redevelopment Commission Members:

President Dustin Johnson appointed Kristin Fishburn and Fern Snead as two of his three appointments. Vice President Null motioned to appoint Mark VanDerWeele and Paul Stearns as the two council appointments. Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2017-1 – Power Tracker:

Member Stauffer motioned to pass Resolution 2017-1 Power Tracker. Vice President Null seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Resident Mark Umbaugh thought the Council members should be more active in recruiting people to sit on Town Boards. The same openings are called out every month with no one responding.

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney read the top five claims totaling \$209,851.74 which represented 77% of the total docket and the claim docket totaled \$271,199.86. Council Member Stauffer moved to accept claims 1538 through 1624. Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CEMETERY MEETING TIMES:

Member Stauffer motioned to set the Cemetery Meetings for the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board, Vice President Null moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Stauffer seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Dustin Johnson, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer