

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Dustin Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL:

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

MINUTES:

Minutes from the February 17th Regular Session were submitted for approval. Vice President George Null moved to accept the minutes and Member Craig Ellis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT:

No citizen input at this time.

Clyde Avery – N.I.M.S. and Incident Command: Mr. Avery gave a presentation on Emergency Preparedness and how it effects our community and county.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Attorney Derek Jones presented the board with the condensed version of the who is allowed to sit on various boards and committees. He had filled in who is currently on them, dates of appointment as well as term expiration dates. Next Attorney Jones presented the correct version of Resolution 2016-2 for the counsel to sign. Attorney Jones then presented the School, Town and Park agreement that he revised for the counsel to sign if approved. Vice President Null made a motion to accept the agreement and Member Stauffer seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Last order of business in the Attorney Report was bids for the 1999 Dodge Ram. The clerk's office received nine bids which ranged from \$4,418.00 to \$2,100.00. Winning bid was presented by Mr. Greg Hollar for \$4,418.00.

Member Umbaugh moved to accept the Attorney Report, Member Stauffer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2016-2 – Electric:

Ordinance 2016-2 was presented before council in the attorney report. Member Ellis made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on all three readings. Member Umbaugh seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2016-5 – Net Metering:

Attorney Jones said he cleaned up the original document and it was ready to be presented. Attorney Jones stated that if a motion were to be made they should move to accept all four parts, Ordinance, Interconnection Agreement, Net Metering Tariff and Application. Vice President Null made a motion to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2016-5 on all three readings. Member Stauffer seconded, motion passed unanimously. Vice President Null then made motion to accept the Interconnection Agreement, Net Metering Tariff and Application. Member Ellis seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Green Summit Monument:

President Johnson presented three bids from Allan Earl for the monument. President Johnson said Mr. Earl suggested the bid 1537A. After discussion about who would build the base and set the stone which would be an additional cost to the town. President Johnson made a motion to accept bid 1537A. Member Stauffer seconded and Vice President Null called for discussion. He stated that this bid was roughly \$3,900.00 higher than a previous bid. Member Umbaugh said she wanted to purchase local. After more discussion motion passed 4 to 1 with Vice President Null opposing.

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

No interest in MC Tourism and Cemetery Board. Attorney Jones stated there are changes to be made to BZA and Plan Commission he would be contacting people on the board to straighten it out. No interest in the Cemetery and Tourism Boards.

Other Old Business:

Clerk / Treasurer Mullaney inquired about the funds for the Resolution 2016-2. She stated she was not present for the budget talks last year and wanted counsel to state where funds should be appropriated from. After a discussion it was agreed to use funds from the Community Development Project to fund the Resolution.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dylan Colburn- Incentive plan:

Dylan Colburn, Vice President of the Redevelopment Committee presented a sample plan of tax abatement and incentive program for businesses in Argos. He was looking for feedback from the counsel as to whether a plan like this was feasible. After discussion the Council informed Mr. Colburn that he should work with Marshall County on the abatement portion.

B&R Rental:

The clerk's office provided the counsel with a list of non-profit organizations that would like to use our B&R building for the next year. After discussion Vice President Null motioned to let these organizations use the building for the rest of the year. Member Stauffer seconded, motion unanimously.

Other New Business:

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney presented the March 2nd claims which totaled \$107,907.61. Vice President Null moved to accept claims #223 through #273 and Council Member Ellis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board, Member Umbaugh moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Ellis seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Dustin Johnson, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer

