

**TOWN OF ARGOS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

Council Vice President Dave Walker called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present for the meeting: President George Null, Vice President Dave Walker, Members Linda Jones, Casie Rowe, Mark VanDerWeele, Town Attorney Derek Jones and Clerk-Treasurer Patty Jones.

MINUTES

Minutes from the January 8<sup>TH</sup> and January 22<sup>ND</sup> Regular Council Meeting were submitted for approval. Council Member Jones moved to accept the minutes as presented and Council Member VanDerWeele seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

Owen Fluckey noted that the employees have done an excellent job with the snow removal. Street Department employee Joe Stone briefly talked about replacing a plow that has been patched together over the last several years.

OLD BUSINESS

**Attorney Report:**

Attorney Jones had received the signed farm lease agreement from Mr. Voreis and presented the document for President Null's signature. Council Member VanDerWeele moved to accept the Attorney Report and Council Member Rowe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Project Lead the Way:**

After a brief overview of Project Lead the Way and the many opportunities it will provide our students and community, Vice President Walker moved to have the town commit the \$15,000 requested over a three year period and Council Member VanDerWeele seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**BZA Opening:**

As of this meeting there have been no letters of interest for the BZA position.

**Resolution 2014-2/ Conflict of Interest:**

Council Member Rowe moved to accept Resolution 2014-2 and Vice President Walker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Street Parking Committee Update:**

Council Member Rowe said that the committee is recommending that the current parking ordinance be enforced. Argos Police Chief Rudd agreed but the proper signage must be in place before his department issues any warnings or tickets. Also, Chief Rudd would like to implement a snow emergency system whereby declarations for such emergencies may be enforced in "levels" of severity. Town attorney Jones will work with Chief Rudd on an ordinance for snow emergencies.

NEW BUSINESS

**2014 Argos Redevelopment Appointments:**

Current members have expressed a desire to remain on the board. For the executive appointments President Null appointed Julie Campbell, Ginger Calhoun and Jerry Gates. Council Member VanDerWeele moved to appoint Jeff Gonce and Todd VanDerWeele and Vice President Walker

seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Other New Business:**

Council Member VanDerWeele moved to appoint Jim Burroughs as Utility Superintendent at the annual wage of \$60,000 effective March 31<sup>ST</sup> and Vice President Walker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Water Hookup/ Mahoney Property:**

Clerk-Treasurer Jones discussed a call from Don Mahoney about tapping into our water utility for his property located at U.S. 31 and 17<sup>TH</sup> Rd. Attorney Jones explained that Mr. Mahoney's property was not in the corporate limits but statute states that we could if the town chooses to do so. After discussion about cost and procedure Council Member VanDerWeele moved to allow Mr. Mahoney to hook into the water utility and Vice President Walker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Fire Department:**

Fire Department liaison Casie Rowe said that the 4<sup>TH</sup> A Bration is scheduled for Saturday, July 5<sup>TH</sup>. Also, the AFD was looking into supplying the Speedway Racetrack in Plymouth with a grass truck, ambulance and volunteers for their races this year. After discussion Vice President Walker moved to have Derek look into a possible contract agreement between the AFD and Speedway and Council Member Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Patty Jones presented claims to the Council. Council Member Rowe moved to accept claims 92 through 137 and Council Member VanDerWeele seconded. The motion unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board, Council Member Rowe moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member VanDerWeele seconded. The motion carried unanimously. President Null thanked everyone for coming. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

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George Null, President

ATTEST:

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Patty Jones, Clerk-Treasurer