

PUBLIC HEARING 7:30 PM – CCD Fund

President Null opened the public hearing at 7:34p.m. He asked if there was any public comment. After hearing no public comments, President Null closed the public hearing at 7:34p.m.

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President George Null called the meeting to order at 7:38PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present for the meeting: President George Null, Vice President Charles R. Snead, Members Suzanne Umbaugh, Shawn Harley, Attorney Derek Jones and Clerk /Treasurer Lisa Mullaney. Member Colburn was absent for medical reasons.

MINUTES:

Minutes from the February 6, 2019 Regular Session were submitted for approval. Member Harley moved to accept the minutes as written. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

Jane Hall spoke to the Council about TGIF Fridays. They are still working on this and wanted to know if the Town would donate \$1,000 for music and such.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Attorney Jones informed the Council that the 2019 Farm Lease has been signed and returned.

With no more business to present to the Council, Member Umbaugh motioned to accept the attorney's report. Vice President Snead seconded, motioned carried unanimously.

Chuck DeWitt -Update –

Mr. DeWitt gave an update on building permits for last year. He also stated that the letters to the Downtown building owners was sent and was wondering how far the Council would like to take the violations that were noted in the letters. All Council members agreed to follow it to the full extent.

Mr. DeWitt also stated that 701 W. Marshall St is not in compliance with the zoning code and he will be sending them a letter and following up on that.

CCG Paving Bids-

The Community Crossing project bids were opened on Feb. 19th at 3:00 pm. The bids will be reviewed by the Council and discussed at the March 6th meeting.

B&R for Non-Profit Use:

The Council was provided with a list of non-profit organizations that would like to use the B&R Building. Vice President Snead motioned to allow the non-profits that applied to use the building at no charge. Member Harley seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other Old Business:

President Null started a discussion on donating the \$1,000 to the TGIF Fridays. Mark VanDerWeele from the Argos Community Development Corp. spoke and told the Council the ACDC would look into possibly donating that money.

A discussion was had about not allowing overnight parking to the downtown area due to not being able to clean the streets. Attorney Jones will investigate drafting an Ordinance or amending the already existing Ordinance.

Mark VanDerWeele spoke about the Small Business Incentive and Façade Incentive that he emailed the Council earlier in the week. The discussion was tabled until the March 6th Meeting.

NEW Business:

Ordinance 2019-3 CCD Fund Rate:

After discussion Vice President Snead motioned to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2019-3 on all three readings as written. Member Harley seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Department Head Reports –

Police – Chief Bowman gave his report which included informing the Council he is just waiting on the results of the medical and physical evaluation for Trent Wracker. Chief Bowman also is in the process of outfitting the new police car and would like permission to purchase the equipment needed. President Null motioned to allow Chief Bowman to purchase the equipment needed. Vice President Snead seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Chief Bowman also stated the Argos School Superintendent signed the SRO contract. Chief Bowman gave the contract to Attorney Jones.

Utilities – Superintendent Lindstrom gave his report.

Fire – Chief Dean gave some information regarding the activities of the Fire Department.

EMS – Director Sarah McCallum gave some information regarding the activities of the EMS Department and asked permission to research the cost of a new cot. She will present estimates at the next Council Meeting.

Member Harley motioned to accept the Department Head Reports. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS

The February 20th claims which totaled \$91,964.03 Member Umbaugh moved to accept claims #174 through #206 and Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Achievements:

Member Umbaugh listed several projects that are in the Comprehensive Plan and have been completed or are in the works. She also read a statement that is in the Comprehensive Plan that clearly helps to define “Argos” this will be put on the back wall of the Council room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board Vice President Snead moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Harley seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

George Null, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer