

**TOWN OF ARGOS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 01, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER -**

President Snead called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL -**

Present for the meeting: President Snead, Vice President Shawn Harley, Members Erica Partin, Gary Schue, Ed Barcus and Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney. Attorney Jones was absent.

**MINUTES -**

Minutes from October 18, 2023, Regular Session were submitted for approval. Vice President Harley motioned to accept the minutes as written. Member Partin seconded. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Member Barcus abstaining due to absence.

**CITIZEN INPUT -**

Resident Frank Rickman talked with the owner of the red truck on the corner of Marshall St and Michigan St. The owner will move the truck forward so people can see to pull out onto Michigan St.

**OLD BUSINESS -**

**Opening of Bids for Water Project-**

Charles Thompson from Abonmarche opened the three sealed bids received for contract 1 of the water grant project. The totals are as follows.

Viking Painting LLC -	\$345,600.00
Worldwide Industries -	\$340,540.00
George Kountropes Painting Co. -	\$273,000.00

Member Barcus motioned to review the bids and award the contract at the next meeting providing the bids meet the requirements. Vice President Harley seconded; motion carried unanimously. These bids will be reviewed, and the company awarded will be announced at the next Council meeting.

**Attorney Report -**

Attorney Jones was absent.

**Other Old Business -**

None

**NEW Business -**

**Dispatch Fees paid to County -**

Member Schue discussed the fact that the dispatch fees paid to the County only started when Sherrif Hassel stated he needed more money to employ more dispatchers. After talking with the County Council, Member Schue stated they said paying these fees is optional. Member Schue stated he felt we should stop paying for this since every resident pays County taxes to fund it.

President Snead stated he felt the town could not afford to fund its own dispatch and felt the

\$12,500.00 dollars is a small amount for the service provided. After a discussion a consensus was reached that the dispatch fees will still be paid.

**Other New Business -**

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney asked if Member Barcus would still like to sit on the Marshall County unsafe board. He stated he would if no one else wanted to. Vice President Harley motioned to appoint Member Barcus as a representative of the Town of Argos on the Unsafe Board. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**CLAIMS -**

November 1, 2023, claims which totaled \$188,836.20. Member Partin moved to accept claims October 17, 2023, through October 31, 2023, Member Barcus seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Top 5 Claims-**

Payroll #22 -	\$55,937.35
Oliver Ford -	\$45,431.15
Dixon Engineering -	\$12,000.00
INPRS -	\$ 8,624.78
Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors -	\$ 6,404.45

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**ADJOURNMENT -**

With no more business brought before the board, Vice President Harley moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Partin seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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Charles R. Snead, President

ATTEST:

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Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer