

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER –

President Partin called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

ROLL CALL –

Present for the meeting: President Erica Partin. Vice President Ed Barcus, Members Shawn Harley, Charles R. Snead, Robert Byers, Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney and Attorney Derek Jones.

MINUTES –

Minutes from September 11, 2024, Regular Session were submitted for approval. Vice President Barcus motioned to accept the minutes as written. Member Byers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from September 18, 2024, Special Meeting were presented for approval. After review, Vice President Barcus motioned to approve the minutes with the correction that Attorney Jones was not present. Member Byers seconded; motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT –

None

OLD BUSINESS -

Attorney Report –

At the last meeting it was questioned whether or not Vice President Barcus can vote on the town budget due to being on the Fire Territory. Attorney Jones found information on this and stated there is an argument for allowing him to vote and one for not allowing him to vote. Attorney Jones stated until a definite answer can be ascertained his recommendation would be to abstain. We will contact the DGLF for further information.

Development Director VanDerWeele had given Attorney Jones a contract for the new comp plan with MACOG. Attorney Jones stated it is a straightforward contract for no more than \$39,000.00 and a 60-day termination for both parties. After discussion, Member Harley motioned to table the contract for further discussion. Member Byers seconded; motion carried unanimously.

With no more business to present, Vice President Barcus motioned to accept the attorney report. Member Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other Old Business -

None

NEW Business –

Ordinance 2024-10 Budget 2025-

Clerk/Treasurer Mullaney presented the Council with Ordinance 2024-10 Budget for 2025 for the 2nd and 3rd readings. Member Harley motioned to accept Ordinance 2024-10 as written. Member Byers seconded; motion carried 4 to 1 with Vice President Barcus abstaining due to volunteering for the Argos Fire Territory.

Trash bids for 2025-

Attorney Jones stated trash bids were opened at the special meeting on September 18th and the Council will award the bid in the meeting on October 9th according to the bid spec.

Ordinance 2024-11 Salary Amendment 2 -2024-

After review Member Snead motioned to allow the suspension of the rules for Ordinance 2024-11 to be passed on all three readings. Member Harley seconded; motion carried unanimously. Member Snead then motioned to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2024-11 on all three readings. Member Byers seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business -

Member Harley brought up putting up speed limit signs on his street. Currently there are none. Superintendent Lindstrom stated he would see about getting one for that street.

Department Head Reports:

Police -

Police Chief Rodney Rudd gave his report.

Utilities-

Superintendent Lindstrom presented his report.

Development & Planning-

Development Director Mark VanDerWeele gave his report.

CLAIMS -

September 10,2024, claims which totaled \$264,211.32. Member Snead moved to accept claims September 10, 2024 - September 23, 2024. Member Byers seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Top 5 claims:

PAYROLL #19	\$60,914.34
B&B Roofing	\$46,730.00
B&B Roofing	\$31,220.00
IRS	\$13,593.11
IRS	\$12,933.35

ADJOURNMENT -

With no more business brought before the board, Member Harley moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Erica Partin, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer