TOWN OF ARGOS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 04, 2023

#### CALL TO ORDER -

Vice President Harley called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

#### **ROLL CALL-**

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

#### **MINUTES -**

Minutes from the September 20, 2023, Regular Session were submitted for approval. Member Barcus motioned to accept the minutes as written. Member Partin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

# CITIZEN INPUT -

Resident Bob Byers thanked the Argos Police Department, Marshall County Humane Society, Argos Town Employees and anyone else involved in the situation at 413 Albert St.

Resident Frank Rickman would like to see a sign for Dewey St at the corner of Michigan and Dewey St. He also would like something done about the truck on the corner of W. Marshall St and Michigan St. After a conversation Chief Rudd stated the truck is legally parked in their driveway and nothing can really be done. He will however ask the owner nicely to move his truck forward so people can see turning onto Michigan St.

## OLD BUSINESS -

## **Award Bids for Water Project-**

This is tabled until the next meeting.

#### Attorney Report -

Attorney Jones presented an updated lease agreement for the building rental with Mediacom. He will give the Council Members time to look this over and decide at the next meeting.

Ordinance 2023-14 Chicken Ordinance - Attorney Jones presented the Council with Ordinance 2023-14 with changes they requested. After discussion Member Barcus motioned to allow the rules to be suspended. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously. Member Barcus then motioned to accept Ordinance 2023-14 on all three readings. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

<u>DeWitt Contract</u>- Attorney Jones discussed the termination letter for the contract with Chuck DeWitt. We will revisit this at the end of the year. Member Barcus motioned to approve the termination letter as written. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

<u>Employee CDL Training Agreement</u>- Attorney Jones presented the training agreement for employees needing CDL's. After discussion Member Barcus motioned to approve the Employee CDL Training Agreement with changes that Attorney Jones will make. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

With no other business brought forth, Council Member Partin moved to accept the Attorney Report. Council Member Barcus seconded; motion carried unanimously.

<u>Ordinance 2023-12 Budget 2024</u>- After discussion Member Barcus motioned to approve Ordinance 2023-12 on the second and third readings. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

#### Other Old Business -

Member Barcus asked for a workshop to discuss Code and Zoning Enforcement. Vice President Shawn Harley allotted November 15<sup>th</sup> scheduled workshop to be about this topic.

## NEW Business -

## Resolution 2023-06 Power Tracker 4th Quarter -

After discussion Member Partin motioned to accept Resolution 2023-06 as written. Member Barcus seconded; motion carried unanimously.

## Other New Business -

Member Barcus reminded everyone that October Fest was Saturday at Community Park.

#### CLAIMS -

October 04, 2023, claims which totaled \$480,038.36. Member Barcus moved to accept claims September 19, 2023, through October 2, 2023, Member Partin seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

# Top 5 Claims-

| IMPA -                   | \$284,423.81 |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Payroll #20 -            | \$55,574.49  |
| Federal Reserve -        | \$11,575.07  |
| Hoosier Fire Equipment - | \$10,020.00  |
| Utility Supply Company - | \$8,587.80   |

#### ADJOURNMENT -

With no more business brought before the board, Member Barcus moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Partin seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

|                                | Charles R. Snead, President |  |
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| ATTEST:                        |                             |  |
| Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer |                             |  |