

**TOWN OF ARGOS
PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

Member Harley motioned to open the public hearing at 7:15 pm. Vice President Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Treasurer Mullaney explained why the additional appropriations were necessary. The \$250,000 of the Ambulance Fund and \$200,000 to the General Fund for expenditures on new equipment and hiring full time EMT's. The General Fund for Stellar Grant expenditures. These expenditures have been discussion at previous meetings.

President Null asked for public comment for or against. None was heard.

Member Harley motioned to close the public hearing. Vice President Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Null called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present for the meeting President George Null, Vice President Charles R. Snead, Members Shawn Harley, Angela Resendez, Erica Partin, Attorney Derek Jones, and Clerk Treasurer Lisa Mullaney.

PUBLIC HEARING WATER & SEWER RATES:

Vice President Snead motioned to open the public hearing at 7:32 pm. Member Resendez seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

President Null asked Eric Walsh from Baker Tilley to give a brief explanation of the Water and Wastewater Study that was done and the proposed rate increase for the next five years.

President Null then asked for public comment for or against. None was heard.

Vice President Snead motioned to close the public hearing at 7:35 pm. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES:

Minutes from 10/20/21 meeting were presented. Vice President Snead pointed out a couple of errors. The minutes were tabled for corrections until the next meeting.

CITIZEN INPUT:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Attorney Jones reminded the Council that the order to clean up the property at 210 N. Maple St. expired on November 1, 2021. Chief Bowman and Chuck DeWitt will re-evaluate the property and bring a report to the next meeting.

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

Ordinance 2021-14 Water Rates 2nd & 3rd Readings -.

President Null explained the ordinance presented had its first reading at the last meeting. Member Harley motioned to suspend the rules and accept Ordinance 2021-14 as written. On the 2nd and 3rd readings. Vice President Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2021-15 Wastewater Rates 2nd & 3rd Readings -.

President Null explained the ordinance presented had its first reading at the last meeting. Vice President Snead motioned to suspend the rules and accept Ordinance 2021-15 as written. On the 2nd and 3rd readings. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other Old Business:

A receipt for work completed was submitted by Café' 1852 in the amount of \$11,494.76 of which \$5,747.38 is eligible for reimbursement under the grant that was awarded at a previous meeting. Member Harley motioned to award \$5,747.38 to Café 1852 in accordance with the downtown building grant that they were awarded. Vice President Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Snead stated Kolar Construction has begun cleanup on the Mora property. Chief Bowman and Vice President Snead will inspect the property after the clean-up is done.

NEW Business:

Resolution 2021-11 Additional Appropriation-

After review, Vice President Snead motioned to accept Resolution 2021-11 as written. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Member Harley and Economic Director VanDerWeele presented a new benefit schedule for the Town of Argos employees. After a discussion Member Harley motioned to pass the new benefit schedule as written and get it revised into the handbook and into the 2022 Salary Ordinance. Member Partin seconded; motion carried 4 to 1 with President Null voting against.

Clerk Treasurer Mullaney brought up the health insurance quote received from IPEP with the 17% increase. After receiving other quotes without matching coverage, it was the recommendation from Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney to renew the current health insurance policy. After discussion Vice President Snead motioned to accept the health insurance quote through IPEP for plan number PPO 3 Rx E5 renewal rates. Member Resendez seconded; motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS

The November 3, 2021, claims which totaled \$302,767.38. Member Harley moved to accept claims October 19, 2021, through November 1, 2021. Member Resendez seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board Member Harley moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Partin seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

George Null, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer