

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 20,2022 @ 7:00pm**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Charles R. Snead called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

ROLL CALL:

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

MINUTES:

Minutes from the 07/06/2022, Regular Session were submitted for approval. Vice President Harley moved to accept the minutes with correction to state Member Resendez was present for the meeting. Member Partin seconded; motion carried 4 to 1 with Member Null abstaining due to absence.

CITIZEN INPUT

Citizen Roger Lumunion asked questions regarding the proposed sidewalks that could be placed in front of his house.

Citizen Bob Byers asked the Council about the Chief of Police's take-home car privileges. After discussion the Council informed him that the policy for the take-home car would remain the same.

Citizen Luis Boroff asked the Council about making his neighbor clean up his property. This will be addressed in the attorney report.

Citizen Robert McMillan returned to ask if the Council decided to allow chickens in town. Attorney Jones stated at this time chickens are not allowed, and the Council has no plans to change that at this time. Vice President Harley stated that when the Argos Town Code and Zoning book match regarding chickens then the Council can readdress the situation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Unsafe Properties:

413 West St. - Order was signed and will be served. They will have 60 days to comply.

193 S. Michigan St. - Tabled until next meeting.

110 S. Logan St. - Attorney Jones presented the Council with a signed contract to repair the roof. Member Resendez motioned to table any further action until roof is completed. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously. Vice President Harley then motioned to have Chief Bowman inspect the property for any code violations. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

521 N. Michigan St. - Chuck DeWitt inspected property and wrote to Council that structure is intact and safe. Vice President Harley motioned to close the unsafe file for this property. President Snead

seconded; motion carried unanimously.

304 E. Plum St.

Chuck DeWitt gave an update stating porch is fixed, Skirting and window are fixed. In his opinion property is safe. Vice President Harley motioned to close case on 304 E. Plum St. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

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

Other Old Business:

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney asked the Council where this years Employee Appreciation Dinner should be held. After a discussion, it was tabled to the next meeting.

NEW Business:

Resolution 2022-10 Power Tracker –

After a short review and discussion, Member Null motioned to accept Resolution 2022-10 as written. Member Resendez seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2022-09 Utility Connections-

After review and long discussion, Member Null motioned to suspend the rules. Vice President Harley seconded; motion carried unanimously. Then Member Null motioned to accept Ordinance 2022-09 as written and pass on all three readings. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Columbarium for Maple Grove Cemetery –

A discussion was had about buying a columbarium for the cemetery to give burial options. Two quotes were presented. After a discussion, Vice President Harley motioned to purchase a 48space columbarium. Member Resendez seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Department Head Reports-

Police – Chief Bowman presented his report.

Utilities- Superintendent Lindstrom gave his report.

Economic Director - Mark VanDerWeele gave his report.

Plan Director- Chuck DeWit gave his report.

CLAIMS

The July 20,2022 claims which totaled \$166,379.44 were presented for approval. Member Null moved to accept claims July 2, 2022, through July 15, 2022. Member Resendez seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the Council Member Resendez motioned to adjourn the meeting and Member Partin seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

Charles R. Snead, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer