

**TOWN OF ARGOS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER –**

President Barcus 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, Robert Byers, Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney and Attorney Derek Jones. Member Charles Snead was absent.

**MINUTES –**

Minutes from July 10, 2024, Regular Session were submitted for approval. Member Byers motioned to accept the minutes as written. Vice President Barcus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZEN INPUT –**

None

**OLD BUSINESS -**

**Attorney Report –**

Attorney Jones stated the revision to the Argos Zoning regarding animal production will go to the Plan Commission first on August 6<sup>th</sup> for a public hearing and adoption of the Resolution. Then an ordinance will be presented to the Council for approval.

Attorney Jones is also working on the bid for trash service. It should be published soon,

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

**Other Old Business -**

**NEW Business –**

Vice President Barcus discussed the potential sale of Engine #2. After discussion Member Harley motioned to allow engine #2 to be sold by bid and the funds collected donated to the Argos Fire Territory Equipment Fund. Vice President Barcus seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Member Byers stated the sidewalk at 406 South St. bad shape. Attorney Jones will investigate who's responsible for the maintenance. Vice President Barcus motioned to table the discussion. Member Harley seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Member Byers stated a discussion was needed for battery storage, data centers, carbon segregation and a need for a moratorium until more information is available. Attorney Jones stated the town and 2-mile zoning area are protected as it is not a by-right use. A variance would have to be obtained from the BZA.

Member Harley thanked the town employees for their hard work during the last bad storm.

President Partin wanted to remind citizens to keep their yard waste containers off the road as they cause a hazard.

**Other New Business –**

None

**Department Head Reports-**

**Police-** Chief Rudd presented his report.

**Utilities-** Superintendent Lindstrom gave his report

**Plan & Development Director-** Director VanDerWeele gave his report. He also requested permission to get engineering done to remodel the B&R Building. He would like to see what the potential could be. The cost should be roughly \$5 to 6,000 dollars. Member Byers motioned to approve the cost of engineering of the B&R Building. Vice President Barcus seconded; motion carried 4 to 1 with Member Harley voting against the expenditure.

Member Byers motioned to accept the department head reports. Member Byers seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**CLAIMS -**

July 22,2024, claims which totaled \$258,236.79. Vice President Barcus moved to accept claims July 09, 2024 – July 22, 2024. Member Byers seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Top 5 claims:**

PAYROLL #15	\$62,811.07
KELLY CHEVY, LLC	\$50,685.00
TOWN OF ARGOS (WATER LOAN)	\$25,000.00
ABONMARCHE CONSULTANTS	\$23,800.00
FEDERAL RESERVE	\$11,919.61

**ADJOURNMENT -**

With no more business brought before the board, Vice President Barcus moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Byers seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

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Erica Partin, President

ATTEST:

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Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer