

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17TH, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Mark VanDerWeele called the meeting to order at 7:43 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present for the meeting: President Mark VanDerWeele, Vice President Suzanne Umbaugh, Members George Null, Casie Rowe, Dustin Johnson, Clerk-Treasurer Patty Jones and Town Attorney Derek Jones.

MINUTES

Minutes from the June 3RD Regular Session were submitted for approval. Council Member Johnson moved to accept the minutes as presented and Council Member Null seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

JANE HALL- Downtown Trees

Jane Hall, librarian for the Argos Public Library, talked with the Council about the downtown trees dying off. Mrs. Hall inquired about what the town's intentions were with the trees as far as replacing the dead ones and saving the ones still alive. She recommended that an arborist look at them to see what can be done. Council President VanDerWeele said that they would look into the matter.

CITIZEN INPUT

Resident Mark Umbaugh asked if the department head reports could be read aloud so that the citizens would know what is in the reports. Clerk-Treasurer Jones said that she could make copies available to the public with the agenda and minutes.

Council Member Null reminded everyone that the AFD Fish Fry is on Saturday, June 20TH.

OLD BUSINESS

Attorney Report:

Attorney Derek Jones talked about a drainage easement and utility easement on the south side of the mobile home park that was being worked on.

Mr. Jones had been working on the petition to rezone the mobile home park and property located across the street that the Cleary's own. The petition needs a Council representative for the Technical Review Committee meeting and Plan Commission public hearing. Council Member Null moved to appoint Council President VanDerWeele to represent the town on the petition to rezone and Vice President Umbaugh seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Rowe moved to accept the Attorney Report and Council Member Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Library:

No new information to discuss at this meeting.

Investment Service Agreement:

The Council agreed to use Umbaugh Cash Advisory Services for investing town funds. Clerk-Treasurer Jones will prepare the resolution and ordinance for approval at the next meeting.

Board Openings- Plan Commission and MC Tourism:

After clarification of the Plan Commission membership, President VanDerWeele appointed Debi Pratt

as a member. Ms. Pratt's appointment completes the nine member board.
No letters of interest at this meeting for the MC Tourism Board.

NEW BUSINESS

CF-1 Forms/ Tax Abatement Compliance Statements:

Council Member Null agreed that ITAMCO was compliant and moved to accept the forms and Council Member Rowe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADA Ramp:

Property owner Chris VanDuyne asked the Council for the approval to put a concrete ADA ramp in for the Red Cross office downtown. Council Member Null moved to allow the ADA ramp and Council Member Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4-H Fair Request:

The 4-H Fair Board requested the approval for their 5k run and mile walk on July 12TH at 7pm. The route for the run is the same as last year. Council Member Null moved to allow the event and Vice President Umbaugh seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Utilities- There were no questions for Utilities Superintendent Jim Burroughs.

Police- There were no questions for Police Chief Bowman.

Fire- No questions this meeting.

EMS- No questions this meeting.

Council Member Rowe moved to accept the Department Head Reports and Vice President Umbaugh seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Jones read the top five claims for the June 17TH docket totaling \$190,201.72. Those claims represented 87% of the total docket of \$218,016.11. Council Member Null moved to accept claims 563 through 622 and Council Member Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board, Council Member Rowe moved to adjourn the meeting and Vice President Umbaugh seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Mark VanDerWeele, President

ATTEST:

Patty Jones, Clerk-Treasurer