

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, October 18, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Dustin Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present for the meeting President Dustin Johnson, Members Suzanne Umbaugh, Charles R. Snead, Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney and Attorney Fred Jones.

MINUTES:

Minutes from the October 4, 2017 Regular Session were submitted for approval. Member Umbaugh motioned to accept the minutes and Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT –

None

MCEDC Monthly Report –

Mark Umbaugh gave his monthly report of activities by the MCEDC.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chuck Dewitt-

Mr. DeWitt drafted a letter to the owners of 405 S. Michigan recommending the repairs needed. Member Snead motioned to approve the letter as written and send certified mail. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other properties currently under scrutiny by the Marshall County Building Inspectors Office are as follows:

505 N. Maple St – real estate agent working with new owners to repair the home.

518 N. Maple St – a lot of electrical problems. Electrical will not be restored til brought up to code.

198 S. Michigan St & 201 S. Michigan St – both properties need repairs and should be inspected.

Member Umbaugh motioned to send letters to the owners. Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Board Openings/ MC Tourism,

Openings still available for the MC Tourism, Redevelopment and Plan Commission.

Fire and Township Agreements–

Both Walnut and Green Townships had their meetings and signed both the Fire and EMS agreements at their meetings. The agreements were then brought before the Argos Town Council for acceptance. Member Snead moved to accept the Township Fire Services Agreements. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Then the Council discussed the Township EMS Services Agreement. Member Snead motion to accept this agreement as written. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

The Council then discussed the Fire Agreement between the Town Council and Argos Volunteer Fire Services Inc. Member Snead motioned to accept the agreement as written. Member Umbaugh seconded, motioned carried unanimously.

Other Old Business:

Employee Appreciation dinner was discussed. After review Member Umbaugh motioned to hold the dinner at Christo's Banquet Hall on Dec. 8th. Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

NEW Business:

Attorney Report - None

Resolution 2017-11 – Power Tracker:

Member Umbaugh motioned to accept Resolution 2017-11 with changing the power tracker number to indicate that it is a negative number. Member Snead seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Chuck DeWitt mentioned that he feels Argos should apply for the Stellar Community Grant.

Department Head Reports-

Chief Bowman gave his monthly report.

Assistant Superintendent Middleton gave his report on all the utilities. He also brought up that he would like to apply for the INDOT call for rural projects grant. To help with ADA sidewalk compliance and roads. Member Snead motioned for Jamie, Doug or Lisa to go to class to start the grant. Member Umbaugh seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Chief Mark Dean gave a report for the fire department.

CLAIMS

Clerk-Treasurer Mullaney presented the October 18th claims which totaled \$340,360.68. Member Umbaugh motioned to accept claims #1102 through #1161 and Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more business brought before the board Member Snead moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Umbaugh seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Dustin Johnson, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer