Town Council Workshop 6:30 pm members met with Eric Walsh from Baker Tilley over 2021 Budget. All council members present.

Public Hearing 7:15 pm for 2021 Budget.

Vice President Snead motioned to open the public hearing at 7:22 p.m. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

President Null asked for public comment for or against the budget for 2021. None was heard.

Member Gibson then motioned to close the public hearing at 7:24pm. Member Harley seconded; motion carried unanimously.

TOWN OF ARGOS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, September 2, 2020

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Present for the meeting: President George Null, Vice President Charles R. Snead, Shawn Harley, Erica Partin, Mary Gibson, Attorney Derek Jones and Clerk -Treasurer Lisa Mullaney.

#### **MINUTES**

Minutes from the August 19,2020 Regular Session were submitted for approval. Vice President Snead moved to accept the minutes as written. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

#### CITIZEN INPUT

None

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Attorney Report:**

Attorney Jones presented the Stauffer Sewer Agreement. Member Harley motioned to accept the Stauffer Sewer Agreement as written. Vice President Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously. Attorney Jones then stated that he would get the easements recorded.

Attorney Jones stated he is in the final stages of drafting the nuance ordinance. It will be ready for approval soon.

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

## Board Openings -: Plan Commission & BZA-

Plan Commission and BZA has openings

#### Other Old Business:

After a discussion about the state of the property again at 118 N. Maple St. Vice President Snead

motioned to move the case to Derek for court action. Member Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW Business:**

#### Unsafe Buildings -

Clerk/Treasurer Mullaney with the help of Chuck DeWitt explained to the Council that there are four properties that were brought before the Marshall County Unsafe Board from Argos. Two of those properties are located at 311 West St and 210 N. Maple St. Neither owner has been in contact regarding clean up of the properties. The Unsafe Board voted to have the Town of Argos pursue legal action against the homeowners. Member Harley motioned to have Attorney Jones follow the legal process to ensure these properties are safe for habitation. Vice President Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously. Attorney Jones will proceed and keep the Council informed.

After a discussion of who would deliver future notices of violations in the 2015 Argos Land Use and Development Code, the Council agreed it should be the Code Enforcement Officer of the town. This would serve in the 2-mile unincorporated zone also. Member Harley motioned to appoint the Code Enforcement Officer as the person to hand deliver zoning violations as approved by the Plan Commission President and Chuck DeWitt. Member Gibson seconded: motion carried unanimously.

## Ordinance 2020-07 Marshall St Speed Limit-

Attorney Jones presented Ordinance 2020-07 to the Council for approval. This Ordinance reduces the speed limit on Marshall St from Grove St. to US 31 to 20MPH. Vice President Snead motioned to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2020-07 on all three readings. Member Gibson seconded; motion carried 4 To 1 with President Null stating he did not agree with lowering the speed limit from Michigan St to Grove St.

## Ordinance 2020-08 Budget Ordinance 2021 -

After a short explanation of the Ordinance Member Harley motioned to accept Ordinance 2020-08 as written on the first reading. Member Gibson seconded: motion carried 4 to 1 with President Null abstaining due to his affiliation with the Argos Fire Department.

#### **Other New Business:**

None

## **CLAIMS**

The September 2, 2020 claims which totaled \$324,845.07. Vice President Snead moved to accept claims #913 through #976. Member Partin 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 8:29 P.M.

	George Null, President	
ATTEST:		

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer