Argos Town Council – Regular Session
Town of Argos
August 12, 2026
201 W. Walnut St.
Argos, Indiana

The Argos Town Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday, August 12, 2026. President Ed Barcus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting was President Ed Barcus, Vice President Shawn Harley, Members Erica Partin, Charles R. Snead, and Robert D. Byers, Attorney Derek Jones and Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes from April 22, 2026, Regular Session were presented for approval.
Motion: Vice President Harley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.
Second: Member Byers
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Attorney Report

Attorney Derek Jones reported that the sale of the Dodge Charger has been advertised for bids. Sealed bids will be opened at the next Town Council meeting on August 26, 2026. The Council will then decide when the bid will be rewarded.

Motion: Member Partin moved to accept the Attorney Report.
Second: Member Byers
Decision: Motion carried.

Ordinance 2026-11 – Water Rates – 2nd and 3rd Reading

Motion: Vice President Harley moved to accept Ordinance 2026-11 as written.
Second: Member Snead
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2026-12 – Sewer Rates – 2nd And 3rd Reading

Motion: Member Byers moved to approve Ordinance 2026-12 as written.
Second: Member Partin.
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

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OTHER OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2026-13
The Council considered the proposed ordinance to ask the Plan Commission to change the zoning ordinance.
Motion: Member Byers moved to send the proposed ordinance to the Plan Commission to ban all data centers, solar, and carbon capture and storage.
Second: Member Snead
Decision: Motion carried.

Ordinance 2026-14 – Salary Ordinance Amendment 3
Motion: Member Byers moved to suspend the rules and allow Ordinance 2026-14 to be passed on all three readings.
Second: Member Partin
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Member Byers moved to accept Ordinance 2026-14 as written.
Second: Member Partin
Decision: Motion carried.

Health Insurance Plans For 2027

Motion: Vice President Harley moved to accept the 2027 health insurance renewal as presented.
Second: Member Byers
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Member Byers moved to increase the HSA that the Town pays to employees to $1,750.00 for single coverage and $3,500.00 for family coverage.
Second: Vice President Harley
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Member Partin stated that, with the accident that had happened, she wanted to make sure that all Town equipment used for climbing into sewers was safe and that the CO2 detectors were up to date. The Clerk will get with Superintendent Lindstrom to ensure this is completed.

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CLAIMS

Motion: Member Byers moved to approve all claims from July 28, 2026, through August 10, 2026, in the amount of $566,971.12.
Second: Member Partin
Decision: Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice President Harley moved to adjourn.
Second: Member Byers
Decision: Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:19 p.m.

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Ed Barcus, President

Attest:

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Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer