

**TOWN OF ARGOS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 09, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President Ed Barcus called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present for the meeting: President Ed Barcus, Vice President Erica Partin, Members Charles R. Snead, Robert Byers, Attorney Derek Jones, and Clerk -Treasurer Lisa Mullaney. Member Shawn Harley was absent.

MINUTES:

Minutes from March 26, 2025, Regular Session were presented for approval as written. Member Byers moved to accept the minutes as written. Member Snead seconded; motion unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT:

Kim O'Dell spoke about drainage on her property since the new Deerfield subdivision went in. Superintendent Lindstrom stated they would contact her to meet and discuss the drainage.

MAPLE GROVE CEMETERY:

Topics of discussion included the lawn maintenance company blowing grass on the tombstones and closure of some driveways due to maintenance costs. Member Byers motioned to get quotes from other companies for grave open and closing. While he doesn't have any issue with the current company, questions have arisen as to the cost of opening/closing and he is just trying to do his due diligence. Member Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report:

Attorney Jones informed the Council that due to lack of quorum the Plan Commission was not able to meet. The Council will try to appoint new members at the next meeting.

Attorney Jones is working on a matching sidewalk program and should have that at a future meeting.

Attorney Jones is collaborating with Mission MSP to get a contract that both parties are happy with.

With no more business presented to the Council, Member Byers motioned to accept the attorney's report. Member Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other Old Business:

None

NEW Business:

Altium Packaging LLC CF-1:

Attorney Jones explained that the CF-1 for Altium packaging tax abatement was filed for 2025 pay 2026 taxes. All the conditions are met. Member Byers motioned to approve Council President Barcus to sign the CF-1 as written. Member Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

B&R Rental Request:

Johnny Whitt wrote a letter to the Council requesting to rent the B&R Building every Sunday for three months or until they can find other accommodation for their church to meet. After the discussion, Member Byers motioned to allow Mr. Whitt to rent the B&R for \$250.00 a month plus tax and a one-time deposit of \$100.00. This deposit will be refunded if the building is clean and there is no damage after the rental period. Vice President Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Vice President Partin informed the Council about the What's Up app. She would like the Council to consider signing up for a year to see how it works. After a brief discussion, Council members agreed to consider this after more information is obtained.

President Barcus and all of the Council thanked Superintendent Lindstrom for his handling of all the power outages and storm damage that occurred. They also praised all the utility and town employees for their hard work.

CLAIMS:

April 9, 2025, claims totaled \$607,371.23. Vice President Partin moved to accept claims.

March 27, 2025, through April 07, 2025. Member Snead seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Top 5 Claims:

IMPA	\$226,632.28
Payroll #7	\$55,665.80
AIM Medical Trust	\$38,832.94
Apex Waste	\$32,468.75
Federal Reserve	\$27,002.50

ADJOURNMENT:

With no more business brought before the board, Member Snead moved to adjourn the meeting and Member Byers seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Ed Barcus, President

ATTEST:

Lisa Mullaney, Clerk-Treasurer