

July 9, 2025
Argos Town Council
Town of Argos

The Town of Argos Town Council met on July 15, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the council room at 201 W. Walnut St. for a Regular Town Council Meeting. Those present were President Ed Barcus, Vice President Erica Partin, Members Charles R. Snead and Robert D. Byers, Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Mullaney and Attorney Derek Jones. Member Shawn Harley was absent.

Town Council President Barcus called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. President Barcus asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES – 06/25/2025 Regular Session:

The minutes from June 25, 2025, Regular Session were reviewed. A motion was made by Member Snead to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice President Partin. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT:

Jon G. VanDerWeele wanted to thank all the police, fire, and town workers for a job well done.

Jon G. VanDerWeele:

Jon G. VanDerWeele provided an update regarding the Boy Scouts and Historical Society. He revealed news footage from an event that took place on the anniversary of a local Boy Scout trip to Wisconsin in the 1950's. They would like to have the town's participation in the event. He will provide more details at a later meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Report-

Attorney Derek Jones discussed a notice for bids on the 2002 Dodge Ram. Attorney Jones will prepare a notice for bids and those will be due before the business closes on August 22, 2025. The Council is to open the bids at the Town Council meeting on August 27, 2025. Member Byers motioned to authorize Attorney Jones to publish the bid notice for the dates stated with the proceeds from the sale going to the Park Fund. Member Snead seconded; motion carried unanimously.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

The Council began discussing the Cannon at Memorial Park becoming property of the Town due to the current owner, The American Legion, closing soon. After a thorough discussion regarding its historical significance and maintenance, Member Byers made a motion to approve the application for retaining the cannon as proposed, pending a final site inspection by the Town Superintendent. The motion was seconded by Member Snead; motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-11 regarding Fund 8989 was presented for review and discussion. After discussion Member Byers motioned to table the ordinance for further review. Vice President Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-12, the Burning Ordinance, was introduced for consideration. Attorney Derek Jones provided an overview of the proposed changes and their impact on town residents. After the discussion Member Byers motioned to table the ordinance for further review. Vice President Partin seconded; motion carried unanimously.

No other new business was brought forward for discussion at this time.

CLAIMS: The Claims from June 24, 2025 – July 7, 2025, which totaled \$508,380.45, were presented for approval. Vice President Partin made a motion to approve the claims as presented. The motion was seconded by Member Byers. The motion carried unanimously.

Top 5 Claims:

IMPA	\$236,149.36
Sunbelt Solomon Services	\$ 68,000.00
Payroll #14	\$ 63,278.88
Aim Medical Trust	\$ 38,832.94
Apex Waste	\$ 16,292.50

ADJOURNMENT With no further business to discuss, Member Byers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Member. Snead. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Ed Barcus, President

Attest:

Lisa Mullaney
Clerk-Treasurer