**January 5th, 2022: Regular Council Meeting**

The Argonia City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on January 5th, 2022 at the Argonia City Building. Those present, Council members Don Phillips, Scott Jones, Felisha Noland and Terina McCurley. Also present were Tara Pierce-City Clerk, Trent Row-City Supervisor, Karyn Taton, Treasurer, Jake Wedman-City Maintenance, Cooper Topinka-City Maintenance, Michelle-Leidy Franklin, Kevin Cooper-Cooper and Company CPA’s and City Attorney, Robert Almanza.

**A quorum was present.**

Mayor Rick Dolley called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

* **Agenda**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to accept the agenda as presented with the withdrawal of Charlie Jenkins cancelling to speak during open forum. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Minutes**

December 8th, 2021 regular meeting minutes were presented**. Jones made a motion, seconded by McCurley to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Bills**

December bills were presented**. Phillips made a motion, Noland seconded to approve December bills in the amount of $88,416.29. Motion carried 4-0.**

**OPEN FORUM** – Kevin Cooper with Cooper and Company, CPA’s was present to present the 2020 financials to the Governing Body. The audit went very well and Governing Body thanked Kevin for his presentation.

**Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to enter into executive session at 7:50 p.m. with attorney Robert Almanza for 30 minutes to consult with the attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship. Motion carried 4-0.** Council came out of executive session at 8:20 p.m. stating no binding action taken. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Phillips to make an offer as discussed with the attorney regarding the water salesman. Motion carried 4-0.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:21 for 30 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Row to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 8:51 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:51 for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Pierce to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:01p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:05 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Taton to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:15 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:15 p.m. for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:20 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:20 p.m. for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Wedman to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:25 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:25 p.m. for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Topinka to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:30 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:30 p.m. for 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:50 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:50 p.m. for 40 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Row to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 10:30 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

* **MAINTENANCE –** Row stressed concern over some of the Street Christmas Decorations and the safety of using them due to the wind storm that tore some of them up making them unsafe to rehang for next year. Council asked Trent if they could reinforce some of them or build more new ones like they did this season. The cost of the backhoe was discussed. At this time there has not been one that is within City Budget to purchase.Pierce asked Council for the $300 clothing allowance. This year with agreement of the Maintenance crew that instead of doing the clothing reimbursement they would like to have t-shirts and hoodies with the “City of Argonia” on them. **Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to purchase the clothing and not to exceed the $900.00 total allowance. Motion carried 4-0.**
* **CLERK** – Pierce presented Ordinance 586 for the River Park. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to adopt the new ordinance and repeal Ordinance 563. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to pay for the renewal of the Winn 911 software/customer service agreement in the amount of $660.00. Motion carried 4-0. Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to accept the CMB license applications and issue the CMB licenses to OX Bar and Grill. Motion carried 4-0.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 10:50 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Pierce to remain. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 11:00 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by McCurley, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 11:00 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Motion carried 4-0. Council came out of executive session at 11:10 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to give the raises to Karyn Taton and Tara Pierce as discussed effective for the upcoming payroll. Motion carried 4-0.**

**ADJOURNMENT – Council member Noland moved to adjourn the meeting**. **Council member Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0. Mayor Dolley declared the meeting adjourned at 11:12 p.m.**

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Tara Pierce Rick Dolley

City Clerk Mayor