**December 7, 2020: Regular Council Meeting**

The Argonia City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on December 7, 2020 at the Argonia City Building. Those present were Mayor Rick Dolley, Council members Felisha Noland, Scott Jones and Terina McCurley. Also present were Tara Pierce-City Clerk, Robert Dolley-Maintenance Supervisor, Karyn Taton-Treasurer and Paul Conklin-Fire Chief.

**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 McCurley to accept the December agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.**

* **Minutes**

November 2nd, 2020 regular meeting minutes were presented**. Jones made a motion, seconded by Noland to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.**

* **Bills**

November 2020 bills were presented**. Jones made a motion, Noland seconded to approve November bills in the amount of $94,735.24. Motion carried 3-0.**

**OPEN FORUM** – **No business conducted, no audience present.**

**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

* **EMS-** Chrissy Bartel gave an EMS report via letter to Council. Norwich had 7 runs to Argonia in November. The EMS Department received SPARKS Funding and was approved to purchase a Zoll Autopulse with the funding. Norwich EMS will be holding an EMT class in January and there are still open seats if you know anyone that is interested. Due to lower sales tax in Sumner Co the subsidies paid to the ambulance services may be reduced by 8% for 2020. Also, it would be likely that a reduction in subsidy amounts for 2021 will be affected. Regardless of the reduction Norwich will continue to serve the Argonia area regardless of the reduction. We believe it is important to provide prehospital care to our community.
* **FIRE DEPARTMENT –** Conklin arrived at the meeting at 7:05 p.m**. A motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to approve a Christmas bonus to the Fire Department. Conklin is to receive $250.00 and Conklin also using his discretion to distribute to active firefighters at $100.00 each. Motion carried 3-0.** Conklin asked Council to approve the following bills. To Emergency Fire for new Gages to the City fire truck. Cost to be $746.00 and also includes labor. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley, motion carried 3-0 to pay the invoice when received from Emergency Fire.**  Also, a quote from Emergency Fire to replace the tarp on the City fire truck in the amount of $934.70. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to pay the quote as presented when invoice arrives. Motion carried 3-0. A motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to approve a bill from Weis Fire & Safety Equipment Co in the amount of $545.00 to conduct a pump test a firetruck. Motion carried 3-0.**
* **MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT –** Robert Dolley presented a quote from D. Gerber Pool Products and Service, LLC in the amount of $3,675.00. for 25-(50#) buckets of Pulsar Calcium Hypochlorite Briquettes and 5-(15) gallon Acid Magic. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to approve the bill to D. Gerber purchase the items needed. Motion carried 3-0.** Due to an emergency on water well #5 a new pump had to be purchased and labor to remove and replace pump, trouble shooting, flow testing and misc. Robert also discussed the gopher problem at the Cemetery and River Park. He will be working to get it taken care of. He also mentioned getting quotes on rock for the cemetery. Dolley also told Council there is a water leak between Maple and Sumptner Street that he was going to start working on.
* **CLERK** – Pierce reported to Council that the Gas Audit performed by the KCC on October 13th went very well and presented a copy of the report. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to approve Star Programing for another year at $1,000.00. Motion carried 3-0. Motion by McCurley, seconded by Noland to approve a lap top computer for the office to include $1,500.00 of City money and the remaining $649.66 of Covid Funds for a total not to exceed $2,149.66. This will include the computer, Microsoft office Pro and 3year subscription to Thirtyseven 4 antivirus subscription. Motion carried 3-0. Noland made a motion, seconded by McCurley to allow Karyn Taton City Treasurer to move to a fulltime position. She will be allowed a minimum of 32 hours per week and receive benefits allowed under the City policy. Motion carried 3-0.** SDI Significant Digits quote was presented for a new SD Reader, new software and training at a cost not to exceed $1989.00. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland. Motion carried 3-0. Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to approve a Christmas bonus to Robert Dolley and Tara Pierce for $300.00 and a Christmas bonus to Karyn Taton and Chad Meyers for $200.00. Motion carried 3-0.**
* **ADJOURNMENT – Council member Noland moved to adjourn the meeting**. **Council member McCurley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Mayor Dolley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.**

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Tara Pierce Rick Dolley

City Clerk Mayor