**January 9th, 2023: Regular Council Meeting**

The Argonia City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on January 9th, 2023 at the Argonia City Building. Those present, Council members Bob Randall, Don Phillips, Felisha Noland and Terina McCurley. Also present were Tara Pierce-City Clerk, Jonathan Meyer, Maintenance, Jake Callaway, Maintenance and Karyn Taton, Treasurer.

**A quorum was present.**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

* **Agenda**

**Motion by Randall, seconded by Noland to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Minutes**

December 5th, 2022 regular meeting minutes were presented**. Randall made a motion, seconded by McCurley to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

December 14th, 2022 special meeting minutes were presented. **Randall made a motion, seconded by McCurley to approve the special meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Bills**

December bills were presented**. Randall made a motion, Noland seconded to approve December bills in the amount of $77,992.33. Motion carried 4-0.**

**OPEN FORUM** – None

Mayor Dolley discussed options on signs needed for the River Park. The need for signs for “no driving past this point” signs were needed. Pierce will get prices for these signs. Mayor Dolley also discussed putting additional stop signs and speed limits signs in areas of town.

**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

* Maintenance - Jonathan Meyer gave the Maintenance Report. Discussion was held on the community building. Meyer reported that the hot water heater needed replaced. Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to purchase a hot water heater for the community building and not to exceed $600.00. Motion carried 4-0.

Scott Jones arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Discussions on the sandblasting and painting at the pool were discussed. Council wanted Pierce to contact R-Torrey Construction on a warranty for the longevity of the work that will be done to the pool. Jonathan discussed the brush pit that is located by the River Park. We passed inspection however, with the pit being in a flood zone the City will have to take extra measures after burning off the brush pile. Meyer also discussed the work that was done when the pit was dug out, he will have to fix the structure of the pit so it can safely be accessed.

Bob Almanza arrived at 7:40 p.m.

**Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to enter into executive session at 7:45 p.m. with attorney Robert Almanza for 5 minutes to consult with the attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship. Motion carried 5-0.** Council came out of executive session at 7:50 p.m. stating no binding action taken.

* **CLERK** – Pierce talked to Council about the renewal leases for the Airport Hangers, presented financial reports, talked to Council about securing a workshop date with Council present to tackle a couple of items that needed to be updated and adopted by Council at a later date. Pierce presented Ordinance 589 Standard Traffic Ordinance. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to adopt the new ordinance and repeal Ordinance 582. Motion carried 5-0.** Pierce presented Ordinance 590 Uniform Public Offense Code Ordinance. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to adopt the new ordinance and repeal Ordinance 581. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to adopt the Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 5-0.** Pierce presented Resolution 2022-01, a resolution waiving the GAAP requirements for the financial statements and reports for the 2022 year. **Motion by Noland, seconded by McCurley to pass resolution 2022-01. Motion carried 5-0.** Discussion was held on the upcoming expiring resolution temporarily lowering the utility penalties until March 31st, 2023 and raising them back to the 10% effective April 1st, 2023. Council agreed to allow the current resolution to expire and notify the utility customers that are still currently paying on their bills of the expiring resolution. Discussion was held on a gas pre-pay agreement. Discussion only. No agreements were made on the plan. More information will be provided at the next council meeting. Pierce presented a WINN 911 software renewal in the amount of $2400.00. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to** **pay for the renewal of the Winn 911 software/customer service agreement. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:10 for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 8:15 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:15 for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Taton to remain. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 8:20 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:20 for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Meyer to remain. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 8:30 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:30 for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Meyer to remain. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 8:45 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:45 for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 8:50 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 8:50 for 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:10 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:10 for 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Pierce to remain. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:30 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to enter into executive session at 9:30 for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Pierce to remain. Motion carried 5-0. Council came out of executive session at 9:40 p.m. stating no binding action taken.**

**Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to give the raises to Karyn Taton and Tara Pierce as discussed effective for the upcoming payroll. Motion carried 5-0.**

**ADJOURNMENT – Council member Noland moved to adjourn the meeting**. **Council member McCurley seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0. Mayor Dolley declared the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.**

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City Clerk Mayor