**October 7th, 2024: Regular Council Meeting**

The Argonia City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on October 7th, 2024 at Argonia City Hall.

**Roll call was taken:** Those present were Mayor Rick Dolley, Council members Scott Jones, Casey Love, Felisha Noland and Wayne Peterson. Also present at the meeting were: Tara Pierce-City Clerk, Karyn Taton-City Treasurer, Paul Conklin-Fire Chief and Scott Figg-River Park Host.

Mayor Dolley called the August regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

* **Agenda**

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

* **Minutes**

September meeting minutes were presented**. Jones made a motion, seconded by Noland to approve the September regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Special Meeting Minutes**

September 11th special meeting minutes were presented. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to approve the September 11th special meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

September 25th special meeting minutes were presented. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to approve the September 25th special meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Bills -** September bills were presented**. Jones made a motion, Noland seconded to approve September bills in the amount of $55,444.45 as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

**OPEN FORUM** – NONE

**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

* **FIRE DEPARTMENT –** Conklin presented an invoice in the amount of $2,484.50 for the City’s Insurance for Eck Agency for the City fire truck, liability and equipment. **Motion by Noland, seconded by Peterson to approve the invoice as presented. Motion carried 4-0.** Conklin mentioned that the City fire truck needed new tires. Paul had looked around at several quotes and found that T&W Tire out of Park City, Ks. was the best quote. He said he could get 6 new Michelin tires that would be installed for about $3600.00.  **Motion by Noland, seconded by Peterson to purchase the tires for the fire truck and not to exceed $3600.00. Motion carried 4-0.** Council also agreed that if needed, this purchase could come out of the Equipment Reserve fund.
* **POOL** – Discussion was held regarding the closure and winterizing of the pool. It was unknown if this had been done yet. Council asked Pierce to write up a work order and make sure this is taken care of.
* **RIVER PARK** – Scott Figg spoke with Council and said that they would like to host the campground one more year. Council agreed to allow Scott and Rita Figg to continue as the camp host for the 2024-2025 season. Some discussions were held about changing some of the 30 AMP campsites to 50 AMP sites as they are needed. Mayor Dolley reported that since the sticker issue has overcome a lot of the campground and the spraying that has been done has not started to remedy the issue, he has worked with Harper Industries to come in and use a large vacuum to suck up a lot of the stickers and throughout the winter and spring months we will continue to work at getting them under control. **Motion by Noland, seconded by Love to close the campground for the season as of November 1st. Motion carried 4-0.**
* **POLICE –** Mayor Dolley updated Council on events the Argonia Police Department will be involved with over the next couple of months and gave brief police report in the absence of Chief Schiller and Officer Lanier.
* **MAINTENANCE –** Callaway was no present at the meeting, however, discussions on items that needed done were discussed. Council gave Pierce permission to order more 50lb bags of cold patch from Pavement Maintenance Products and not to exceed $500.00. No motion was needed since it was under the daily spending limit. The Chapel at the Cemetery still needs leak repaired and the Chapel needs winterized for the winter.
* **CLERK** – Pierce presented Ordinance 598-Updating the policies and regulations. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Noland to adopt the Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 4-0.** The new Ordinance will go into effect as of January 1, 2025.Discussions were held about the cotton wood trees at the River Park that were overhanging the shelter. Mayor Dolley will make some calls to get these trees taken care of. Pierce presented a social media policy that needed approval. The Council agreed that it needed to be added. Pierce said it would just be a handout to all current employees and Council members and any future employees or Council members. For several months the Council had been talking about the Rodeo Grounds facility. After discussions with some of the former Argonia Frontier members and other members that donated property at the facility, the Council has decided that with future opportunities for the space at the River Park the Council has decided to put the Rodeo Arena up for a Notice for Invitation to Bid. **Motion by Noland, seconded by Love to move forward with the Notice for Invitation to bid. Motion carried 4-0.** Pierce presented three invoices that needed approval to be paid. Kansas One Call - $3.60, PVS DX - $10.00, MKC-$529.36. **Motion by Jones, seconded by Peterson to pay the three invoices as presented. Motion carried 4-0.** Pierce presented Resolution 2024-04 Adopting the Kansas Homeland Security Region G Hazard Mitigation Plan. **Motion by Noland, seconded by Jones to pass the Resolution as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

 **Motion by Noland, seconded by Peterson to enter into executive session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel for 30 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 3-0.** Council came out of executive session at 7:50 p.m. stating no binding action taken.

 NEW BUSINESS: Love presented a task tracker that would track any tasks or projects that the City would need to discuss at meetings and keep record of each of these action items and the implementation and completion. Council agreed that this was a very helpful tool and approved for this to be incorporated for the immediate use of this tracker and at each meeting Council and staff would present updates and additions at future meetings.

* **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 9:10 p.m.**

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City Clerk Mayor