

Argusville City Council Regular Meeting

January 9, 2023

Mayor Darren Wetzel called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm with the following in attendance: Rod Clouse, Jenna Saewert, Katie Shipley, Parker Vander Wal, Mary Howatt, and Justin Hall.

M Saewert-Vander Wal to approve the consent agenda: December minutes and finance report, \$65 and \$5 WS transfer to general for online levee payments, and bills to pay: Cass County Electric \$590.80 & \$29, Halstad Telephone \$120, Park District \$580.59, Cass County Reporter \$65.08, Cass County Finance \$2910.61 & \$27.45, US Treasury \$573.75, Chris Rose \$1200, Northland Enterprises \$1,833.33, Google Apps \$18, DWetzel \$646.45, PVanderWal \$415.58, KShipley \$484.84, RClouse \$484.84, JSaewert \$415.58, MHowatt \$1154.38, Cass County Electric \$617.24, Cass Rural Water \$2493.40 & \$155, Waste Management \$3333.87, Halstad Telephone \$85.28, City of Fargo \$14, US Treasury \$573.75, Workforce Safety Insurance \$250, AWoods \$1154.38. Carried.

M Saewert-Clouse to move budget appropriations: Streets \$23,000, Property Upkeep \$14,000, Community Development \$2500, Public Building \$25,000. Carried.

M Clouse-Vander Wal to set 2023 Park Board State Aid allocation at 15%. Carried.

Mike Lovejoy arrived.

Reviewed submitted deputy report. Discussion.

Hall discussed Centennial hydrant leak. Appears to be minor; to be fixed in spring. Richards lease agreement pending.

Saewert reported on meter reader installation. Requested AI order more complete meters and will have plumbers get old readings before installing new.

M Clouse-Saewert to approve raffle permits: St. Williams Men's Club (Feb 24) and Argusville Fire Department (Mar 26). Carried.

Signed Argusville Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Letter of Participation. Will submit to county.

Storage unit contract on hold for availability.

Discussed garbage and recycling pick up. WM agreement ends March 31, 2024; renews automatically unless written notice provided. Plan to invite representatives to meetings to discuss services and contracts.

Saewert report: Possible partnership with Halstad Communications for gopher trapping. Discussion; no action. School demolition tentatively set for April.

M Shipley-Saewert to approve 2023 Meeting Calendar: Feb. 6, March 6, April 3 (Equalization 6:30), May 1, June 5, July 10, Aug. 7, Sept. 5, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4. Carried.

Community Wellness: surveys have been sent out. The listening session is tentatively set for Feb 5.

Discussed holding meetings online – interaction, AV needs, etc. Resident feedback was ambivalent. No action.

Wetzel reported on levee electrical line. Trenching expense would be significant. No immediate need.

Meeting adjourned 9:00pm. Next Meeting: Monday, February 6, 7:00pm.

Minutes subject to review and approval.

Mary Howatt – Auditor