

Argusville City Council Regular Meeting

November 4, 2019

Mayor Wetzel called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM with the following in attendance: Dave Becker, Rod Clouse, Jenna Saewert, and Mary Howatt. Absent: Wayne Hagemeister. Also in attendance: Gary Tandsater, Brandon Smith, Mike Lovejoy, Nate VanWechel.

M Becker-Clouse to approve October minutes. Carried.

M Clouse-Becker to approve October finance report as presented. Carried.

Clouse reported on Cass Rural Water and water flushing. Discussion.

M Clouse-Becker to credit September billed water to users pending credit approval from Cass Rural Water. Carried.

Lovejoy removed the culvert north of the lagoon and installed fill. Cost was \$1000. Wetzel directed Howatt to submit the bill to Harwood Township for their consideration for partial payment.

Saewert introduced Community Center discussion; recommended reviewing roles and responsibilities including adjusting rates. VanWechel reported on ACDC plans. Wetzel reiterated the need for ACDC non-profit status; recommended having a Council member act as liaison and providing financial support for maintenance. ACDC will share minutes with Council. M Clouse-Saewert to approve gaming permit to ACDC for poker tournament to be held at Happy Trails on November 9. Carried.

Levee Maintenance – no report. Tabled as an open agenda item.

Flapgate at CR4 and 167th has been repaired by the County. Tandaster noted a lack of caulking. Item will remain open on agenda for seasonal review.

Wetzel updated on 167th Drainage. The attorney recommends residents manage the situation and the city steer clear of it. Drainage can change over time; buyers should beware and adapt to changing drainage as development occurs.

Saewert reported on street sign progress; will be reviewing installation. The invoice will be submitted in December. Reviewed resident concern on Aldrich. Sign is on city right of way; safety determines sign should remain.

Deputy Keller arrived. Reported on local activity.

M Clouse-Becker to renew Gary Tandsater's notary at \$36. Carried.

M Saewer-Becker to approve Cass County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan resolution. Aye: Becker, Clouse, Saewert. Absent: Hagemeister. Carried.

M Clouse-Becker to approve setting NDIRF State Bonding Fund coverage at \$485,621. Carried.

Reviewed Community Development Block Grant. Concrete bid increased \$20000; project will be revised to accommodate. Saewert will apply for another grant to cover the remaining project. Wetzel signed documents.

Ordinance No. 2019-10: distributed copies. Signed documents.

Halstad Telephone Company requested a letter from the city citing no objection with them crossing the levee with the cable. No objections from the Council. Wetzel will draft letter. HTC has had some project adjustments due to easements

Olson presented Engineer Agenda. Still working on project status update with L2 including defective work list. List needs to be presented to L2. Wetzel will work on timeline with Moore for project progress.

M Becker-Saewert to approve Moore Engineering Invoice for \$13,762.15. Carried.

M Clouse-Saewert to approve CWSRF and DWSRF for \$10,184 and \$3578 respectively. Carried.

Clouse reported slumping on the approach between culverts and road at CR4 and 167th. Area will be under watch. Discussed leaf and grass burning; recommend promoting using yard waste container.

Wetzel reported on Slinger approach. She is reviewing the situation. He will follow up.

M Clouse Becker to Pay Bills: Cass Electric \$581, Cass County Reporter \$154.71, DakTech \$1077, Lenovo \$26.58, Petro Serve \$14.79 and \$14.74, Mary Howatt \$923.50, Argusville Park District \$1733.82, Northland Enterprises \$2035, Ohnstad Twichell \$150, Century Link \$61.58, Cass Electric \$836.40, Cass Rural Water \$615.89 and \$244.10, Waste Management \$3119.80, City of Fargo \$14, Dennis Rude \$32, Northland Enterprises \$360, Allan Woods \$923.50. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:35 PM. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, December 2.

Minutes subject to review and approval.

Mary Howatt – Auditor