

# Argusville City Council Regular Meeting

November 4, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Gary Tandsater with the following in attendance: Dave Becker, Rod Clouse, Randy Teberg, Wayne Hagemeister, Ryan Thompson, Chris Rose, Deputy Jeff Arth, Jeremy Denault, John Shockley, and Mary Howatt.

The October regular and special meeting minutes were approved as read. The October finance report was approved as read.

Tandsater shared Moore Engineering's written report. The county will not require the city remove a private driveway in the northeast replat. Levee ROW signs will be completed soon. FEMA's Flood Insurance Rate Map Schedule anticipates completion in 2017. The new pump has been ordered and will be ready for installation in January; the county will pay half through the cost-share tax. Eric Nesius signed the purchase agreement and paid the deposit; Shockley will set up a closing date. The church land purchase is still in progress.

Shockley explained the Council's approved rate increase for ag land exceeds the benefit set by the special assessment commission. The rates had to be adjusted and republished. Ag land will be set at 20%. The public hearing for the Levee Special Assessment amended list will be at the December meeting with the approved list certified in 2014.

The replat of blocks 1,2,4,5 and 6 is being held up by one missing abstract. The city can pay to have an abstract done. **Motion Teberg/Hagemeister** for the city to create an abstract for the Scott Butz property. Motion carried.

A new pump alarm system was installed in Richwood. Al Woods will train the council on how it works. Members should also have pump house keys. Hagemeister says the culvert will be fixed in the next two weeks. Clouse will organize sign installation. Snow fence north of Richwood was discussed.

**Motion Becker/Clouse** to direct Howatt to draft letter to HOA regarding snow fence line. Motion carried.

Rose reported on the Johnson property. She will visit him again and send him a letter regarding the permit status. Rose recommends the city amend the building code ordinance with the title of the current state code.

**Motion Teberg/Clouse** to approve first reading of the amended Building Code ordinance. Motion carried.

Dan Stark's property on Northern Drive is in need of repair. There is some question as to who owns the deed.

**Motion Hagemeister/Clouse** to have Ohnstad Twichell send a letter to Stark, Bush, and Bergman regarding the ordinance violations at the former depot.

Bethany Homes has requested the city issue a conduit bond for a Fargo project. The city would have no financial or other obligation. It would not affect our bond in 2014. If approved, a public hearing will be held at our December meeting.

**Motion Teberg/Becker** to adopt the Resolution Relating to a Project Under the Municipal Industrial Development Act, Giving the Project Preliminary Approval Subject to a Public Hearing (American Lutheran Homes, Inc. Project). Motion carried.

Deputy Arth reported on local activity.

**Motion Teberg/Becker** to approve gaming permit for St. William's Mens Club on March 7, 2014. Motion carried.

**Motion Teberg/Clouse** to pay mayor and governing board twice a year, January 1 and July 1. Motion carried.

**Motion Teberg/Becker** to pay bills: Cass Electric \$544.95, Cass County Reporter \$18.86, Moore Engineering \$1967, GroundFX Hydroseeding \$756.25, Park District \$2035.62, Century Link \$57.62, Cass Electric \$514.90, Cass Rural Water \$3546.60, Metro Disposal \$2090, City of Fargo \$14, ND Sewage Pump Lift Station \$159, Climate Control \$1183. Motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, December 2, 7:00 PM

**Motion Hagemeister/Clouse** to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:50 PM.

Mary Howatt - Auditor