**August 7th, 2023: Regular Council Meeting**

The Argonia City Council met in regular session at 7 p.m. on August 7, 2023 at the Argonia City Building. Those present were Mayor Dolley, Council members Scott Jones, Terina McCurley, Casey Love and Wayne Peterson. Also present were Tara Pierce-City Clerk, Jake Callaway-Maintenance, Chris Schiller-Interim Chief, Travis Mounts – TS News and Aaron Adams – Haviland Broadband

**A quorum was present.**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

* **Agenda**

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

* **Minutes**

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

July 25th special meeting minutes were presented. **Motion by McCurley, seconded by Peterson to accept the special meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Bills**

July bills were presented**. Jones made a motion, Love seconded to approve June bills in the amount of $128,098.86. Motion carried 4-0.**

**OPEN FORUM** – Open session was opened to Haviland Broadband giving more information and recapping from the July meeting for IT Services for the City Office, new phone services and a quote to move server hardware to a more centrally located location and finish setting up the security system at City Hall.

**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

* **Pool –** Pool closes the 13th of August. Natalie Shirley reported they had over 50 people for the back to school bash. It was a great season coming to the end of the year.
* **Police Department –** Interim Chief Schiller gave a report to the Council. He had 6 calls for service, 3 Officer initiated calls, 1 call for assisting other agencies and 11 ordinance violations.

**Motion by Love, seconded by McCurley to enter executive session at 7:50 p.m. with Schiller to remain for 10 minutes. Motion carried 4-0.** Council came out of executive session at 8:00 p.m. stating no binding action taken.

**Motion by Jones, seconded by McCurley to name Interim Chief Schiller permanent Chief of Police. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Maintenance** – Callaway updated Council with purchases he had made to replace tools within the shop, updated on street repairs, water lines fixed on Main Street. Mayor Dolley read a letter from KRWA to Callaway. The letter stated to Callaway they had the pleasure of working with him during a recent visit to Argonia in regards to the Water Treatment Plant. In the final note to Callaway they said they were glad to know the city’s drinking water supply rests in the hands of a competent, responsible individual who takes ownership of his position and genuinely cares for the wellbeing of the community. Jake thanked the Mayor for reading the letter to him and the Council and was appreciative of the acknowledgment.

**Motion by Jones, seconded by Love to enter into executive session for personnel matters of a non-elected personnel at 9:00 p.m. for 5 minutes with Pierce and Callaway to remain. Motion carried 4-0.** Council came out of executive session at 9:05 p.m. stating no binding action taken.

**Motion by Jones, seconded by Peterson to adjust Dickerson’s pay as discussed for returning for a second season. Motion carried 4-0.**

* **Clerk** – Pierce presented a rental agreement for the Airport Hanger #5. **Motion by Love, seconded by Peterson to accepted the contract at $900.00 a year for the rental agreement. Motion carried 4-0.** Pierce presented the following bills to Council that needed to be paid. The bills presented were: Vineyard - $120.00, Dolley - $83.84, KCC - $249.00, Hach - $393.54, Patton Trucking - $200.00, Galaxie - $62.33, DPC - $10.00, Waste Connections - $4640.36 and Farmers Alliance - $100.00. **Motion by Jones, seconded by McCurley to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried 4-0.** Ordinance #592 for Model Ordinance Incorporating the Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, Edition 2023 was presented. **Motion by McCurley, seconded by Love to pass the Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 4-0.** Ordinance #593 for Ordinance Incorporating the Uniform Public Offense Code by Reference was presented.  **Motion by McCurley, seconded by Peterson to pass the Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 4-0.** Pierce presented a verbal quote from Bob Randall for an hourly rate for doing IT work for the City. Council discussed both Randall and Haviland Telephones presentation**. Motion by Love, seconded by Peterson to accept the bid for Haviland Telephone to do contract work on the two main office computers and install new computer at the Water Treatment Plant and install new phone system in the office, police department and maintenance office. Motion carried 4-0.** Council asked Pierce to talk with Randall about doing the maintenance and IT services as needed for the maintenance computer, water treatment plant and police computer as needed. Pierce presented a renewal for the IIMC Institute in the amount of $210.00. **Motion by McCurley, seconded by Peterson to pay the renewal as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

**ADJOURNMENT – Council member Jones moved to adjourn the meeting**. **Council member McCurley seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0. Mayor Dolley declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.**

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Tara Pierce Rick Dolley

City Clerk Mayor