

PROCEEDINGS - VILLAGE OF ARGYLE - MONTHLY MEETING
July 3rd, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Argyle Village Board called to order by President Thomas Moore on July 3rd, 2024, at 7:00 pm. Roll call taken with Johnson & Green absent. Proper posting of the meeting was acknowledged. Copies of the monthly meeting from 6/05/2024 and Joint Review Board Meeting for TID #3 held 6/20/2024 were emailed to board members for review. King made a motion to approve minutes, Fransen seconded, carried. Helfvogt made a motion to approve the agenda, Hinojosa seconded, motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENT Monica Hodgson questioned the board on the recent Argyle Fish Fry event. She wanted to know who asked the Vesperman Ice Cream to be at the event, instead of the local business in our downtown, and asked if the business was even considered. The village board stated they were not involved in planning the event, Argyle Fish Fry has a committee that manages everything. She felt the Argyle board should know what happens in the community for any event. Board member Halie Helfvogt volunteers for the night and contacts all the kids to wait tables. She stated there were no committee meetings she was aware of, but if she had any questions, she could contact Dave Soper to discuss her concerns, she was not happy with the response.

OLD BUSINESS The village hired Mallory Tyler for the new full-time Deputy Clerk position. She started on July 1st and introduced herself at the meeting. She will train alongside part-time employee Shirley Canon for the next few weeks on days Shirley works until she retires, and the other days' work with Clerk-Treasurer Sandra Flannery. Flannery will be signing her up to attend software training with Civic Systems. They are holding a Symposium in September on the 9th & 10th for newer users, which is virtual only. The board discussed the need to have the Village's 25% position for Community Development start sooner than when the library director position is planned to start, which will be split 75% to make a full-time paid employee. Helfvogt made a motion to approve the hiring of Jen Detra for the position, she will begin working for the village Community Development position immediately, and the library position on August 12th, King seconded, motion carried. The Village of Argyle is applying for the 2024 Flexible Facilities Program Grant. To better our chances of receiving the grant we were advised to commit funds towards the project. The Friends of the Library and Public Library are committing \$50,000.00 combined, and the Village of Argyle was asked to match this. The village asked Woodford State Bank if they would finance a loan matching the funds, if the grant is received, and provide us with rates. They provided a rate of 4.75% for a term of up to 5 years, with annual payments. Helfvogt made a motion to approve Resolution No. 3-2024, a Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Argyle, providing a Guarantee of Match Funds for the 2024 Flexible Facilities Program Grant Application in the amount of \$50,000.00. Fransen seconded and motion carried. The loan will only be needed if the grant is received. King made a motion to approve the First Amendment to TID No. 3 Development Agreement, for Lot 3, CSM #925. The changes in the agreement are dates on which phases of the development of Lot 3 will be developed, Hinojosa seconded, motion carried. King made a motion to approve the Offer to Purchase agreement with Garthwaite Homes LLC in the amount of \$54,000.00 for Lot3, CSM #925, Fransen seconded, motion carried. The amount to purchase the lot was determined with the original Development Agreement dated May 16, 2022, and recorded August 4, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS The village board received a resignation letter from trustee Lisa Johnson dated June 5th; Helfvogt made a motion to accept her resignation, King seconded, the motion carried. Helfvogt made a motion to approve a new Park Agreement for Park Use between the Village of Argyle and School District of Argyle, the agreement has no changes in rental amount and is a 2-year agreement for 2024 & 2025. The only changes were in section #5. The school will no longer need to rent portable restrooms for spring & fall sports, since heaters have been added to the restrooms by the baseball field. Hinojosa seconded the motion, and motion carried. Helfvogt made a motion to approve three operator's licenses for the Sportz Page Bar. Operators are Tracy Hagen, Camie Peterson & Ellie Erdmann, Fransen seconded, and motion carried. Clerk Sandra Flannery informed the board the village had building permits that were not picked up and paid for after they were issued. There was one permit from 2023, that totaled \$616.74. The building inspector bills the village for 10% of all permits, and we were never paid. He completed work to issue the permit. This may be something the board needs to consider in the future. Village President Tom Moore reviewed the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for the Wastewater Treatment Plant for 2023, the overall Grade Point Average was 3.62. The plant received an A in all categories, except Phosphorus which was an F. This has been an ongoing issue for a couple of years, the village is working with Town & Country Engineering on trades and updates to improve the grade.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS King discussed maintenance items at the park. Dan Koch would like the village to consider clearing trees on the park property line behind the second softball field because they are hard reach to trim and maintain. The golf cart had to get needed maintenance work. King discussed needed safety measure updates to the hydro turbines. The current safety mechanism did not engage like it was supposed to which led to a 24V coil failing, this also happened a couple of years ago. The system needs to be updated, the basic upgrade cost is \$3,500.00 includes installing smoke detectors, flow switches on water lines to the baring that needs to be water cooled, pressure switch in the hydraulic system that monitors for low oil pressure, supply and install a 24V battery charger on the system the village already has. The system has already failed twice, even with the charging system the system could fail again. King said they could go above the basic and for an additional \$5,000.00 install a vacuum solenoid shunt system, controlled by gravity. This would have a 120V coil controlled by a vacuum and if it detects the battery backup system malfunction, it will gravity drop the shunt to shut down the system (a fail-safe for the fail-safe system). King made a motion to do all the safety updates to hydro turbine at a cost of \$8,500.00, Hinojosa seconded, motion carried. The Street Department purchased a sign to paint on the road for compact cars, to paint on the first stall on the road in front of the former Rossing Building. The board may want to establish a price for anyone that approaches village employees and need any type of assistance, examples: ask if an employee using the boom truck can help with a project, and if the event causes overtime for an employee, the cost needs to be considered, as well as any liabilities.

PRESIDENT BUSINESS The payroll report for June 2024 overtime paid to full-time: Johnson-10.65 hours, Ritschard-10.82 hours, Koch-13.85 hours, Flannery-14.50 hours. Fransen made a motion to approve overtime, King seconded, motion carried. The village received information regarding upcoming training for the National Incident Management System for Senior Officials. The course will be offered by the Green County Emergency Management on Thursday, September 12th, 2024, from 6 pm – 10 pm at the Green County Justice Center. The Clerk's office will register Tom Moore, Sandra Flannery & Mallory Tyler to attend, someone from the EMS & Fire Department will need to attend as well. The village had a substantial amount of storm damage in recent months, and with the recent tornado touching down just outside of our community training is needed for natural disasters.

CLERK BUSINESS Total Inspections approved a building permit for Kirk Wenger property at 106 S. Lafayette St., for a shed. Nichole & Wyatt Webster property at 113 N. Broad St., to raze a shed. Patrick Reilly at 409 S. Lafayette St., for a service upgrade. Dawson Gross 105 N. Broad St., for construction repair to garage. Helfvogt approved a picnic license for the Argyle Fire Department for the Mud Volleyball Tournament to be held on August 3rd, 2024, in the park, Fransen seconded, motion carried. A special public hearing date was scheduled for Monday Jul 22nd, at 7:00 pm to hear a request from Jason Riley of 811 Monroe Street for deck enclosed pool in his front yard. The village will take part in a virtual meeting on July 25th to hear more information on health insurance with the League of Municipalities. A representative from Boarder States was here this past month and repaired two meters with programing issues we have had when completing monthly readings for billing. When we read on June 28th, these meters are now working correctly.

Helfvogt made a motion to approve total June accounts payable checks \$177,783.59, July invoices paid to date \$34,912.28 Hinojosa seconded, motion carried. The next monthly meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 7th, at 7:00 pm. Helfvogt made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 pm, Hinojosa seconded, motion carried.


Sandra Flannery
Clerk