

RECORD OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF ARGO

Date: 11-25-19

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Municipal Complex

**Regular Meeting**

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Ann Cowan

Councilperson Corky Massey

Mayor Pro-Tem Tony Alldredge

Councilperson Ann Brown

Mayor Betty Bradley

Mayor Bradley called the meeting to order and asked the clerk for a roll call. The clerk called the roll and the above listed persons were present.

Councilperson Brown gave the invocation.

Mayor Bradley opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilperson Massey motioned to approve the minutes from 09/23/2019. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Justin Fallin with Fouts Tractor Co. spoke regarding attachments for the city's tractor. The current bush hog is broken. He provided the council with several estimates for two pieces, a DB 4060 rotary mower and an EV 1442 boom mower to cut the sides of the roads. There was further conversation on the details of the mowers and benefits for the city. Also, widening the tires and adding water for weight to the tractor. The Council discussed only purchasing the most necessary piece currently and waiting on the other when funds allow.

Councilperson Massey motioned to accept the estimate for \$11,000.00 for the DB 4060 and to include widening the tires and add water. Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried. The Council discussed taking the funds from 2 Cent account.

Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge updated the Council on the Storm Shelter. He stated the plumber would be beginning work the following Monday. Also, two companies have come out to look at pouring concrete around the shelter, but it was established the building was not in the correct orientation. The building is still accessible; however, the sidewalk will be on the other side instead.

Mayor Bradley discussed closing city hall for the Day After Thanksgiving for all administrative employees. The council debated adding this date permanently to the employee handbook. Councilperson Massey motioned to amend and add the Day After Thanksgiving to the handbook as a city paid holiday. Councilperson Cowan seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Bradley asked the council if they had decided what to do regarding the Mayor and Council Salaries. The council decided to leave the salaries alone and make no changes. Councilperson Massey motioned to leave the Mayor and Council salaries alone. Councilperson Cowan seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

**Mayor Report:** Mayor Bradley stated the city had heard from Chris Baker with the EMA and Katie Lane does not need to be inspected. Mr. Baker informed the clerk they needed to keep all records pertaining to the project in case there are ever any audits. Mayor Bradley informed the council the clerk has cut the check to Harrison Builders for the work on Katie Lane.

Mayor Bradley reminded everyone the Teen Council would be selling t-shirts. The yard sale will be on Black Friday, Nov. 29th.

Christmas Parade applications are located around the city. The parade will be held at 10am on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Councilperson Massey praised Harrison Builders for their work on Katie Lane.

Mayor Bradley reminded everyone Christmas for Kids application deadline is Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>. The giveaway is the following week after the City parade.

Councilperson Massey stated the Black Friday yard sale would be separate from the book sale. He is also hauling dirt to sell again and to raise funds for the Teen Council. The Teen Council will split those funds between the Christmas For Kids, Argo Community Food Bank and the Book Fund.

Mayor Bradley stated the City Christmas Party is Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. City Hall will be closed at noon.

**Council Comments:** Councilperson Brown also praised the work done on Katie Lane. There was discussion on the extra support and materials added to the project by Councilperson Massey.

Councilperson Brown inquired about the St. Clair County grant for the Census. Mayor Bradley stated Deborah Howard did not think the County would receive any funds until January.

Councilperson Brown also inquired about the Park Grant. The City has received no word as of yet.

Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge stated the Cert Team would be assisting with the parade. Mayor Bradley added there would also be a Census Bus in the parade along with a Mascot to promote it.

**Public Comments:** No comments.

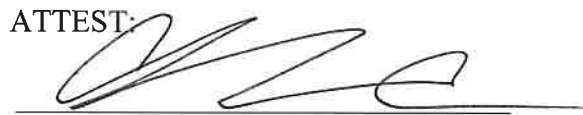
Councilperson Brown motioned to adjourn. Councilperson Massey seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty Bradley", is written over a horizontal line.

Betty Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Casie Bethune", is written over a horizontal line.

Casie Bethune, City Clerk