

May 2, 2016

The Argyle Village Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on Monday, May 2 at 5:30 PM at the Stiles house.

Present: Mayor Wes Clark, Trustees Joanne McDowell, Joe Lohret, Jonathan MacKenzie, and Cher McCotter, Water Commissioner Garry Robinson, Journal reporter Caitlin Johnston. Absent: Clerk Joyann Stimpson (due to daughter's event)

Mayor Clark called the budget hearing to order at 5:30 PM.

The budget was discussed, including proposed capital projects for the year.

On a motion by Trustee McCotter, seconded by Trustee McDowell and carried, the budget hearing was closed and the regular meeting opened.

On a motion by Trustee MacKenzie, seconded by Trustee McCotter and carried, the proposed budget was adopted, and the warrant for the levy of the necessary taxes was approved.

The Board discussed the problems being encountered with the Home grant being considered. Our grant administrator Sandy Hart is likewise frustrated with more conditions being added by the State. She is retiring, and recommends that we stop the application process for a number of reasons. This was agreed by consensus. Mayor Clark will inform the State office.

On a motion by Trustee Lohret, seconded by Trustee MacKenzie and carried, the resolution to continue receiving sales tax revenue from Washington County was approved.

On a motion by Trustee McCotter, seconded by Trustee McDowell and carried, the annual State highway work permit application was approved, including the undertaking to replace a separate insurance certificate for the State.

Mayor Clark discussed a concern from a town resident about possible pfoa contamination in the ground water supply. The resident has contacted the Department of Health, who is following up to see if the chemical was ever used at the catheter plants in Argyle.

On a motion by Trustee McCotter, seconded by Trustee Lohret and carried, bills included in the May warrant were approved for payment.

On a motion by Trustee McCotter, seconded by Trustee McDowell and carried, the minutes of the April 4 meeting were approved as presented.

Water Commissioner Robinson reported that he was researching a possible service connection for a new home. The wells are producing 837,000 gallons per month, 548,000 coming from well #6. There was a late water test issue that has been resolved. The filter manufacturer is suggesting an alternative to a pilot test for the supplemental filter system we are planning for Summit Lake water.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday June 6 at 5:30 at the Stiles house.

On a motion by Trustee MacKenzie, seconded by Trustee McDowell and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 PM.

Wesley Clark
Mayor