

Village of Arcanum Council Meeting
July 25, 2023
7:00 p.m. Regular Session

Call to Order – Mayor Bonnie Millard opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance along with all present members of Council.

Roll Call – The following council members were present: Eric VanHoose, David Hartley, Jerry Boolman, Jacob Banks, Rick Genovesi and Ryan Burns. Also in attendance were Solicitor Nicole Pohlman, VA/Police Chief Marcus Ballinger and Admin. Specialist Julie Miller, Sandy Hartley, Tammy Brunner, Missy Shilt, Fire Chief Kurt Troutwine, Ed Bruner, and Chloe Price.

Meeting Minutes – Corrections and Approvals – Council Member Banks moved to approve the regular meeting minutes dated 7/11/2023. Council Member Hartley seconded. Council Member Boolman abstained. All other present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Amendments to Agenda – None.

Comments from the Public – None.

Administrative Reports –

Mayor:

- Advised that Council Member Jacob Banks had formally turned in his resignation from Council. Council regretfully expressed their thanks and appreciation to Council Member Banks for his 4 years on Council. Council Member VanHoose moved to accept Council Member Banks resignation from Council effective August 18th. Council Member Hartley seconded. Council Member Boolman abstained. All other present council members voted yea. Motion passed.
- Preservation Society – Jim Peele and Fred Troutwine is seeking something from the Village guaranteeing that nothing will happen to the Opera House in the future. They have reservations about putting a lot of time and money into the building just to have a future council decide to tear it down. Mayor asked the Society if they would have any interest in buying the building out right. The Societies concern is if they would be able to afford the utilities and upkeep of the building.

Council talked in general with the Solicitor on what options they may have with the building in regards to selling it to the Preservation Society. Solicitor advised that she has only briefly looked into the matter, but is not for sure if the Village can give the property to the Preservation Society. She will have to investigate the matter further and reach out to the Township Solicitor.

Solicitor: Spoke during the Mayor's report on the Preservation Society and the Opera House.

Village Administrator/ Police Chief: Reports were provided in Council Packets.

VA Report-

- Solar Ordinance – Working with Sawvel on the language and billing aspects of the Ordinance.
- AMP/AES – AMP has provided a Reliability Tracker to the Village. The tracker will track the electric outages regardless if the outage is the Village or AES.
- Violations – 74 violations issued and 22 have been completed. Final letters will be sent out to the owners that have not corrected the violation issues.
- CIC- Still meeting with the Powell Family in regards to the Industrial Park. Process is going slower than expected.
- Pickleball – Would like Council to consider a pickleball court in Ivester Park. Converting the tennis court into Pickleball at the ball diamonds is not going well, as the court is in worse condition then it appeared. Placing the conversion of tennis court to pickleball on hold.
- Traffic Light – Behind schedule due to additional equipment needing to be ordered.
- Electric/AMP – AMP is the go between for the Village and AES. AES power outages – March (equipment changes); June (fire at AES); Village had 15 min outage (blown fuse). All the constant light flickering is due to the lines having limbs or vegetation not cleared far enough off the lines. AES will be trimming vegetation back this fall. Utility Department is continuing to make progress on the 2400 to 7200 conversion.
- Grants – Recreational Trail Grant, we should know by September if we were awarded.

Police Department – Mid-Year Report included in Council Packet.

- 93% criminal solve rate.
- Personnel – Officer Chris Trembley will be leaving the department for the Dayton Police Department. Council Member Genovesi moved to accepted Officer Chris Trembley's resignation from the Arcanum Police Department effective August 30th. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Fiscal Officer:

- Acceptance of Properly Appropriated and Funded Expenditures.
- June Reconciliation will be presented at next Council Meeting.
- Authority Payroll is the new payroll software that CMI has switched to. Payroll has been through one round and everything went well. Fiscal Officer is liking the software so far and is hoping that is more efficient and faster than the previous software.

Fire Chief – Mid-Year Report provided in Council Packets.

- Personnel – Have lost a few members, but working on recruiting new members.
- Fire Trucks – Old truck has been advertised for bid, and the new truck has already been out on a few calls.
- Reviewed the Mid-Year report with Council.
- Software – Current software has been bought out and user fees will become quite high. County is looking for a different software option that would be affordable to all in the county agencies, so that they all can use the same platform.

Committee Reports

Safety: Report given by Rick Genovesi.

- Discussed quotes that were received for the spray insulation of the entire fire department. Chief will be finding out how long the quotes are good for.

Utility Committee: Nothing to report.

Finance & Audit: Nothing to report.

Service and Leisure: Report given by Jacob Banks. Next meeting is scheduled for 8/3/23 @ 5pm.

- Pickleball – Due to the condition of the tennis courts, a pickleball court will now be placed on the basketball court at the ball diamonds. Planning on placing a pickleball court on the basketball court by the scout house in Ivester Park.
- Discussed the Old Town Hall.
- Discussed concrete jobs around town including curbs and approaches on smaller roads. VA has Fox concrete providing a quote.

Personnel: Nothing to report.

Planning: Report given by David Hartley.

- Discussed proposed revised Animal Control Ordinance, which includes: definitions, nuisance conditions, and animal ownership. VA will be presenting the revised ordinance to Judge Monnin to see if it will hold up in her court.
- Discussed street projects, parks, residential developments, electrical updates, and swimming pool issues. Swimming pool needs to be a major priority for the planning committee. Mayor discussed why the walls are cracking.
- 5, 10, 15-year Capital projects – Mayor is working on updating the Capital Improvement Project 5,10, 15 Year Plan.

Old Business

1. **Ordinance 2023-30** - An Ordinance Providing For An Amendment to Ordinance 2022-22. (2nd Reading).

New Business

1. **Ordinance 2023-31** - An Ordinance Providing For A One Time Credit To Certain Village Residents For Lead Testing Performed By The Village. (1st Reading) Council Member Banks moved to waive the three-reading rule for Ordinance 2023-31. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Banks moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-31. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

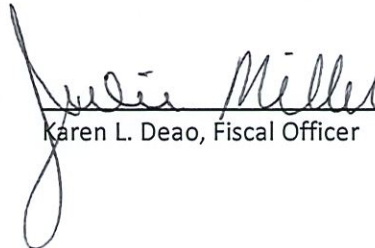
Announcements – None.

Adjournment – Council Member Banks moved to adjourn. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

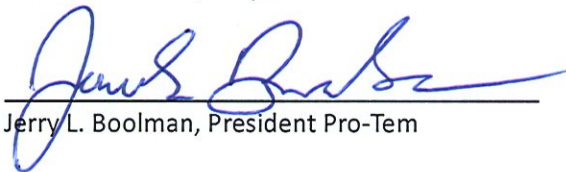
ATTEST:



Bonnie L. Millard, Mayor



Karen L. Deao, Fiscal Officer



Jerry L. Boolman, President Pro-Tem