

Village of Arcanum Council Meeting

May 28, 2024

7:00 p.m. Regular Session

Arcanum Fire Station

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: Jerry Boolman, David Hartley, Ryan Burns and Tammy Bruner. Also in attendance were VA/Police Chief Marcus Ballinger, Admin. Specialist Julie Miller, Fire Chief Kurt Troutwine, Kevin Shawler, Leon Brubaker, Colin Yost, Greg Baker, Brian Haag, Alex Leveck, Dave Wilson, Raymond Denniston, Ed Bruner, James Miller, and Mark Gibson.

Council Member Boolman moved to excuse Council Member Genovesi & VanHoose. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes – Corrections and Approvals – Council Member Boolman moved to approve the Meeting Minutes dated 5/14/2024. Council Member Hartley seconded. Council Member Burns abstained. All other present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Amendments to Agenda – None.

Comments from the Public – None.

Administrative Reports –

Mayor:

- 2 applications were received for the Fire Chief position. The Safety Committee and Mayor will be conducting interviews next week.

Solicitor: Not present.

Village Administrator/ Police Chief: VA Report was provided in Council Packets.

- Water Towers – Councilmen Boolman inquired about which company will be performing the water tower repairs/maintenance. VA stated that he is looking at two companies: Steve Tank and Complete Restoration. VA stated that Complete Restoration is more favorable, due to the technology they have available. VA will be getting a quote from each company for the Utility Committee to review. The overall cost could possibly higher than originally expected.
- Pool – On track to be operational by June 3rd as expected. Inspections are scheduled for this Thursday. Kiddie pool had some issues, but is now running. Council Member Hartley moved to allow the VA to hire 2 assistant pool managers at a combined salary, not to exceed \$4,000 for the 2024 season. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.
- PD Personnel – Officer Yount has 19 hours of earned vacation time that he was unable to use within the past year due to staffing issues. Officer Yount is requesting that Council approve him to carry over 19 hours. Council Member Hartley moved to allow Officer Yount to carry over 19 hours of vacation that is to be used by the end of August. Council Member Burns seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Councilmen Burns asked how the PD staffing is going, at which the VA stated one officer is in training and there is another potential candidate at this time. VA stated his goal is for the PD to be fully staffed and operational by October 1.
- COPS Grant – Chief Ballinger would like to apply for the COPS grant as he has in the past. The grant would be for \$125K spread over a three-year period for retention of officers. The grant would help take some of the burden off the general fund. Council Member Hartley moved to allow the Police Chief to apply for the \$125K COPS grant. Council Member Boolman seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed
- Sewer Forgiveness – 204 W South Street in the amount \$506.66. The individual has fixed the issue, but they did have to wait for someone to do the work. Council Member Boolman moved to approve a sewer forgiveness for 204 W. South Street in the amount of \$506.66. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed
- Personnel – Utility Clerk Angie Lear has submitted her resignation. Council Member Hartley moved to accept the resignation of Utility Clerk Angie Lear, effective June 11th. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed

Fiscal Officer: Check Registers, YTD Fund Report, and Income Tax Report were provided in the Council Packet.

- Authorized Expenditures from 5/15/24 – 5/28/2024.
- State Audit Report has been completed and is available for public inspection.
- The Tax Administrator has sent 44 individuals to the Ohio Attorney Generals Office for delinquent taxes from 2020-2023, with majority of those owing over \$400.00.

Chief Troutwine:

- Discussed the many updates that have been done to the Fire Station. Many firefighters have donated items, as well as, done majority of the updates themselves. Council expressed their appreciation to the Fire Fighters for all their efforts.

- Village of Ithaca – The fire contract with the Village of Ithaca has not been paid for 2023 or 2024. Chief has been in communication with the Village to resolve the issue, and will keep Council updated over the next several weeks.

Safety: Nothing to report.

Utility Committee: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 6/26/24 @6pm.

Finance & Audit: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 6/4/24 @6pm.

Service and Leisure: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 6/18/24 @6pm.

- On the East side, a drain needs to be repaired before a new catch basin can be installed.
- Weed spraying around the Village has been happening. A Code Red will be sent out to residents notifying them of when spraying will occur.
- There are 2 abandoned properties, that Village personnel have begun cleaning up the yards.
- Park & Rec Committee – Committee submitted three proposed names for the trails in the woods. Service and Leisure would like the trails to be named by the community through a vote process, like was done when naming the Preserve.

Personnel: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 6/4/24 @6:30pm.

Planning: Nothing to report.

Old Business – None

New Business –

1. **Ordinance 2024-15** - An Ordinance Providing For An Amendment To The 2024 Appropriations For Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Arcanum, Darke County, Ohio And Declaring An Emergency (Electric Fund). (1st Reading – Lack of quorum)
2. **Ordinance 2024-16** - An Ordinance Authorizing The Transfer Of Funds To Various Funds As Provided In The 2024 Annual Appropriations Ordinance, And Declaring An Emergency. (1st Reading – Lack of quorum)
3. **Resolution 2024-14** - A Resolution Authorizing The Village Of Arcanum To Enter Into A Lease Agreement And Services Agreement With Woodhull, LLC For The Years 2024-2029 And Declaring An Emergency. Exhibit A. (1st Reading – Lack of quorum)
4. **Resolution 2024-15** - A Resolution Of Necessity To Levy A Replacement Tax In Excess Of The Ten-Mill Limitation For The Current Operating Expenses Of The Village Of Arcanum, Ohio. (1st Reading).
5. **Resolution 2024-16** - A Resolution Of Necessity To Levy A Replacement Tax In Excess Of The Ten-Mill Limitation For The Current Operating Expenses Of The Village Of Arcanum, Ohio. (1st Reading).

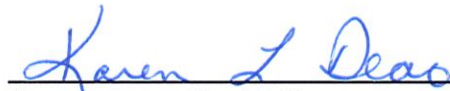
Announcements – June 19-22 – GOBA, Spirited Night in the Park with live entertainment, Food Truck Rally, Community Garage Sales, and Family Movie Night.

Adjournment – Council Member Hartley moved to adjourn. Council Member Boolman seconded. All present council members voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

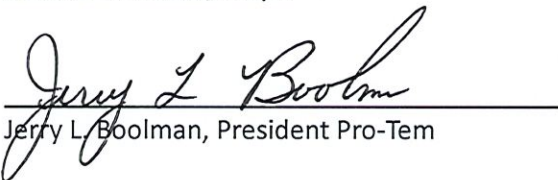
ATTEST:



Bonnie L. Millard, Mayor



Karen L. Deao, Fiscal Officer



Jerry L. Boolman, President Pro-Tem