

**Village of Arcanum Council Meeting**  
**June 11, 2024**  
**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: Jerry Boolman, David Hartley, Eric VanHoose, Rick Genovesi, Ryan Burns, and Tammy Bruner. Also in attendance were VA/Police Chief Marcus Ballinger, Fiscal Officer Karen Deao, Sandi Baker, Hope Baker, Faith Baker, Heavenly Baker, Ed Bruner, Greg Baker, David South, Avery South, Kelly South, Missie Shilt, Anita Miller, Pauline Cates, Carey Cates, and Jeff Cates.

**Meeting Minutes – Corrections and Approvals** – Council Member Boolman moved to approve the Meeting Minutes dated 5/28/2024. Council Member Hartley seconded. Council Member VanHoose & Genovesi abstained. All other present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

**Amendments to Agenda** – None.

**Comments from the Public** –

- Girl Scout Troop #3073 updated Council on being awarded the Bronze Award for their community “GAGA Pit” project in Ivester Park.
- Several residents expressed their concerns and ongoing issues regarding specific individuals in their neighborhood with Council. Residents described to Council a variety of incidents and encounters that they have had with the individuals. Chief Ballinger explained to those present the process and procedures that the Police Department must follow. He further explained that it is solely up to the Darke County Prosecutor’s Office to press charges on any case the Arcanum Police Department brings to them. Chief Ballinger stated that he feels deeply for the residents in what they are going through, however, it is the job of the Police Department to protect society as a whole, not just to protect any one individual.

**Administrative Reports** –

**Mayor:** Nothing to report.

**Solicitor:** Not present.

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

- Council Member Hartley moved to extend Angie Lear’s last day of employment to 7/3/24, and further moved to give her a stipend of \$4.00 per hour for training purposes from 6/12/24 – 7/3/24. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.
- Council Member Hartley moved to allow the VA to hire Kelli Gregorace to the position of Utility Clerk at Step A of the wage scale pending completion of a background check, effective 6/14/24. Council Member Burns seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Councilman Hartley asked on the status of the Township gifting the Old Town Hall to the Village. VA advised that the Village Solicitor and Township Solicitor are still in discussions on the matter. Councilman Hartley further asked what the lose of revenue would be to the Village, which the Mayor responded \$3K.

- Arcanum Schools – Submitted a Developmental Plan Review to the Planning Commission. The school will be adding/expanding their parking lots surrounding the Football Stadium. A detention pond will have to be added to the area. Construction will begin around 6/24/24.
- Traffic Lights – The State has installed new lights on the school zone traffic lights.

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

- Authorized Expenditures from 5/29/24 – 6/11/2024.

**Safety:** Nothing to report.

- Council Member Genovesi moved to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment of a public official. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. (8:15pm)
- Council Member Boolman moved to exit executive session where Council discussed the appointment of a public official, with no action taken. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. (8:46pm).

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

**Finance & Audit:** Report was given by Jerry Boolman.

- Continued discussions on a new PO policy.
- Reviewed the State Audit Report.
- Discussed the purchase of a used utility truck for \$164K, which would be a cost savings from having to purchase new. The old truck would be listed on GovDeals.
- Street Projects – The South Street project will need an additional \$70K; Albright Street will need an additional \$186K to do the entire street, and it is recommended that General Fund monies be used to do so.
- Reviewed the 1/4% Fund and the projects using those monies.
- Discussed the departure of the Utility Clerk and the hiring of a new Utility Clerk.

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

**Personnel:** Report given by Eric VanHoose.

- Reviewed recommended changes made by Clemans & Nelson to the Personnel Manual in regards to breastfeeding policies and marijuana. Committee has several questions and alternative proposed wording, which will be sent to Clemans & Nelson.

Council had general discussion on marijuana and employees, and the different options for discipline for employees.

**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 As Amended (Electric, WWTP Debt Repayment, General Fund). (2nd Reading). Council Member Boolman moved to waive the three-reading rule for Ordinance 2024-15. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Boolman moved to adopt Ordinance 2024-15. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Boolman moved to declare Ordinance 2024-15 an emergency. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed
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 As Amended. (2nd Reading). Council Member Hartley moved to waive the three-reading rule for Ordinance 2024-16. Council Member VanHoose seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Hartley moved to adopt Ordinance 2024-16. Council Member VanHoose seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Hartley moved to declare Ordinance 2024-16 an emergency. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed
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. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading). Council Member Boolman moved to waive the three-reading rule for Resolution 2024-14. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Boolman moved to adopt Resolution 2024-14. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Boolman moved to declare Ordinance 2024-14 an emergency. Council Member Hartley seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed
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. (2nd 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. (2nd Reading).
6. **Resolution 2024-17** - A Resolution Authorizing Angie Lear To Provide Training Services To The Village Utility Clerk And Declaring An Emergency. Council Member Genovesi moved to waive the three-reading rule for Resolution 2024-17. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Genovesi moved to adopt Resolution 2024-17. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed. Council Member Genovesi moved to declare Resolution 2024-17 an emergency. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed


**Announcements –**

**Adjournment** – Council Member Hartley moved to adjourn. Council Member Boolman seconded. All present council members voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm.

**ATTEST:**

  
Bonnie L. Millard, Mayor

  
Karen L. Deao, Fiscal Officer

  
Jerry L. Boolman, President Pro-Tem