

Village of Arcanum Council Meeting
March 10, 2026
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, Jerry Boolman, Tammy Bruner and Chloe Price. Also in attendance were VA Marcus Ballinger, Fiscal Officer Karen Deao, Solicitor Nicole Pohlman, Fire Chief Mark Gibson, and Daniel Floyd.

Council Member Boolman moved to excuse Councilman Burns. Council Member VanHoose seconded. All other present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

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

Meeting Minutes – Corrections and Approvals –

Council Member VanHoose moved to approve the Meeting Minutes dated 2/24/2026. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Amendments to Agenda – None.

Comments from the Public – None.

Administrative Reports –

Mayor:

- Arcanum Rescue Board – Mayor will be appointing Marcus Ballinger to replace Rick Genovesi.

Solicitor: None.

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

- Sewer Forgiveness – 405 E South Street in the amount of \$903.93 due to a seal not sealing correctly; 406 W. North Street in the amount of \$247.81.
 - Council Member VanHoose moved to approve a sewer forgiveness for 405 E. South Street in the amount of \$903.93. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.
 - Council Member VanHoose moved to approve a sewer forgiveness for 406 W. North Street in the amount of \$247.81. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.
- Property Tax petition is being circulated. Council work session is scheduled for 3/31/26 @ 6pm to review options the Village would have should property tax be abolished.
- S High Street pre-construction meeting with Shinn Brothers went well. Work will start the week of 3/16.

Fiscal Officer: Check registers were provided in Council Packet.

- Authorized Expenditures 2/25/26-3/10/26
- Reviewed with Council on what has been collected since July of 2025 for Income Tax. Attorney General collection for January and February 2026 totaled \$5,789. General discussion was had on employers choosing to not withhold municipal income taxes for employees.

Fire Department: Nothing to report.

Safety: Nothing to report.

Utility Committee: Report given by Jerry Boolman. Met on 2/24/26 @ 6pm.

- Discussed coverage hours at the sewer plant. Negotiations with the EPA to lower the number of required hours for onsite monitoring is ongoing.
- Committee discussed and recommends a \$6K monitoring probe for the sewer plant. The probe would be able to provide additional monitoring on some things that are not currently being monitored, that the EPA is now requiring.
- Sub-Sation – Sawvel has provided a rate increase calculation that would be extremely high compared to what residents are currently paying to be able to build a \$5 -7 million new substation. Committee recommends the proposed rate increases, but no substation. This will be reflected by an increased PCA, because the Village under collected the 2nd half of 2025 by \$141K due to the increasing power cost. The PCA will be increased from .0178 to .018 to recoup the uncollected loss and is to be in effect at the next billing cycling. The PCA is not a revenue generator, but a cost recover tool.
- Discussed the land proposal from Benanzer. They are interested in purchasing land by the Dollar General to develop and would like the Village to waive tap fees and run electric for free. It was suggested that a barrier be constructed between the current Trojan Estates and the proposed new development.

VA stated that the Utility Superintendent is working on a cost estimate for the project to present to Council.

Finance, Audit, & Personnel: Nothing to report.

Street & Service Committee: Nothing to report.

Leisure: Nothing to report.

Planning: Nothing to report.

Old Business –

1. **Ordinance 2026-03** - An Ordinance Establishing 2026 Community Pool Rates For The Village Of Arcanum. (3rd Reading). Council Member Boolman moved to adopt Ordinance 2026-03. Council Member VanHoose seconded. All present council members voted yea.

New Business –

1. **Ordinance 2026-05** - An Ordinance Authorizing Advertising For The Sale Of Real Property Owned By The Village Of Arcanum, Darke County, Ohio. (1st Reading).
2. **Ordinance 2026-06** - An Ordinance Adopting Rates, Terms, And Conditions For Electric Service Provided By The Village Of Arcanum, Ohio. Exhibit A & B. (1st Reading).

Announcements – None.

Adjournment – Council Member Boolman moved to adjourn. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

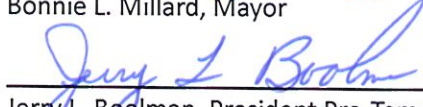
ATTEST:



Bonnie L. Millard, Mayor



Karen L. Deao, Fiscal Officer



Jerry L. Boolman, President Pro-Tem