

Village of Arcanum Council Meeting

July 28, 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, David Hartley, Ryan Burns, Jerry Boolman, Tammy Bruner and Chloe Price. Also in attendance were VA Marcus Ballinger, Admin. Spec. Julie Miller, Nate Saintignon AMP Rep. and Cheyenne Swisher.

Meeting Minutes – Corrections and Approvals –

Council Member Hartley moved to approve the Meeting Minutes dated 7/14/2026. Council Member VanHoose seconded. All present council members voted yea. Motion passed.

Amendments to Agenda – None.

AMP Scholarship Presentation – Nate Saintignon from AMP presented Cheyenne Swisher with the AMP Richard H. Gorsuch Scholarship.

Comments from the Public – None.

Administrative Reports –

Mayor: 6th Annual Purple Heart Ceremony has been moved to September 17th. VFW will be bringing in the America's Freedom Tribute Traveling Memorial.

Solicitor: Not present.

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

- **Flock** – Has been a topic within the community. VA spoke in general on what Flock is and how the Arcanum Police Department utilizes Flock. VA spoke about the policy and procedures that have to be followed by the officers to access Flock. VA advised Council that the Flock Agreement will be up for renewal next year, and that the price could be significantly going up and it may no longer be affordable for the budget. VA stated he believes that Flock is a great tool for the police department and makes the department very proactive, but it may not be worth the increased cost and it will have to be a hard conversation at budget time. The VA stated Flock has been able to assist in solving a murder case, and is not so much about what the department uses it for, but what may happen that they will be able to use it for. VA gave several examples to Council on how Flock has been utilized to assist and/or solve cases/incidents since the installation of Flock within the village. Councilman Hartley stated that there has been a lot of recent negative publicity surrounding Flock all over the country. VA stated that people need to understand that there is no live monitoring of the system; officers have to search something specific. Councilman Boolman asked what the checks and balances are in the department in regards to the data. VA went on to explain how the data is retrieved and the security of the data for Arcanum's Police Department and the policies that are in place to protect the data and the accessibility. Mayor asked at Arcanum, who has access to the Flock system, and in which the VA responded just his officers and if an officer leaves the department, they're account is deactivated. General discussion followed amongst Council on the pros and cons of Flock, as well as, the potential cost increase.
- **AMP** – VA presented a flyer that AMP has created highlighting Arcanum's Industrial Park along with areas of interest within Arcanum. Council gave a few suggestions of change for the flyer.
- **Personnel** – Ethan Garbig has resigned from the Street Department. Council Member Hartley moved to accept the resignation of Ethan Garbig effective 7/8/2026. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. VA stated that the open street position has been posted and several applications have been received.
- **High Street Project** – There has been some recent complaints from a few residents regarding the craftsmanship/aesthetics of the new sidewalks. Otherwise the project is going very smooth, and asphalt should be laid around 8/17/26.

Councilwoman Bruner commented on how nice the mowing has been in Ivester Park.

Fiscal Officer: Check registers were provided in Council Packet.

- Authorized Expenditures 7/15/26-7/28/26
- Update on the Tyler Technologies Software conversion.

Fire Department: Not present.

Safety: Nothing to report.

Utility Committee: Nothing to report.

Finance, Audit, & Personnel: Nothing to report. Next meeting is scheduled for 8/19/2026 @ 5:30pm.

Street & Service Committee: Nothing to report.

Leisure: Nothing to report.

Planning: Nothing to report.

Councilman Hartley stated that he has reviewed the letter prepared by the Solicitor in regards to the proposed subdivision by Benanzer, and has no complaints.

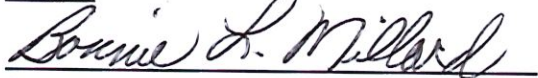
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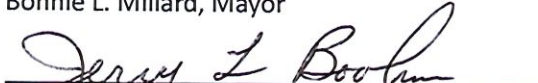
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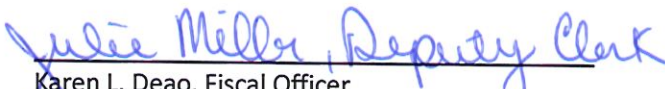
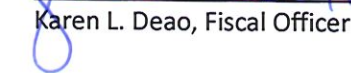
Announcements – None.

Adjournment – Council Member Hartley moved to adjourn. Council Member Bruner seconded. All present council members voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

ATTEST:


Bonnie L. Millard, Mayor


Jerry L. Boolman, President Pro-Tem


Julie Miller, Deputy Clerk

Karen L. Deao, Fiscal Officer