

Arcadia Village Council Meeting Minutes, September 14th, 2020

Arcadia Village Council met for regular session on September 14th, 2020 at the Lion's Club Community building at 301 West Brown Road Arcadia, Ohio. At 7:00 p.m. Mayor Chester Balderson called the meeting to order. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call Attendance: Mayor; Chester Balderson. Voting Council Members: Lester Lute, Stephanie Balderson, Sherri Keefe, Harry Colvin, Rhonda Dingelstedt, and Donald E Moses. Brian Dingelstedt, Village Administrator, Fiscal Officer/in training: Amie Clouse and John Filkens was in attendance.

Residents in Attendance: Nathan and Vicki Simon, Carol Good, Donald L. Moses, Jane Snyder, Teresa Margraf, Vi Fink and Maxine Papenfuse.

Visitors in Attendance: John Grossman and Eric Metcalfe.

Minutes: Harry Colvin made a motion to accept the August 10th, 2020 minutes as written and Sherri Keefe seconds the motion. Lester Lute abstains as he was absent from this meeting. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Bills: Sherri Keefe made a motion to pay the bills and Harry Colvin seconds the motion. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Guest Concerns: Eric Metcalfe was in attendance to answer any questions about the resolution to support the Lions Club grant submission.

Resident's Concerns: Maxine Papenfuse was in attendance regarding the alley way on North Main Street beside Salon KSA that has been proposed to be closed. Mrs. Papenfuse shared information that Vi Fink collected about the number of cars that utilize the alley way. From July 14 thru August 13 Vi Fink witnessed 77 cars utilize the alley way. On August 11 thru Sept 13 she counted 69 cars go through the alley way.

Teresa Margraf was in attendance to report on a variance for the Board of Appeal. Nathan and Vicki Simon were in attendance about a request for a variance. Donald L. Moses was also in attendance to support the Lion's Club grant.

Jane Snyder was in attendance to ask council if there could be a compromise to having the compost area closed. Jane Snyder inquired to see if there was any way that the compost area could be accessible to the community. She asked of an employee would be able to open the gate for a resident that requested access. The administrator did not believe this was a solution that works. Councilman Lester Lute inquired about a camera and remote gate that could be opened from the office. Teresa Margraf mentioned that the funds that cleanup cost could be

used to upgrade the area. Mayor Balderson explained that he has talked to the Administrator about how to improve the area as it floods and is not safe to travel in and out of. He explained that they have a few ideas that all involve improving the space and drainage of the area. Opening the area on a designated day or amount of time was an option that was discussed.

Administrators Report: Brian Dingelstedt reported:

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Gain/Loss</u>
Water	\$27,163.82	\$17,865.72	+\$9,298.10
Sanitary Sewer	\$9,436.44	\$6,078.76	+\$3,357.68
Electric	\$65,131.09	\$46,260.77	+\$18,870.32

32 delinquent accounts: \$10,932.52

No residents were disconnected for nonpayment.

Water: Lead and copper testing have been completed.

Sanitary Sewer: During some work to repair the lift station a sewer valve broke and caused sewage to flood the station and damaged the electronics. With help from the City of Findlay and Buckeye Pump, Inc the station was operational in manual until the proper repairs could be completed. The Administrator informed council that he has been operating the pumps multiple times a day in manual. He will continue to do this until the repairs are completed. Mr. Dingelstedt informed council that the insurance will cover a portion of the repairs. The estimate for repairs to get the pump station operational was \$29,265. The insurance is estimated to cover approximately \$10,000 of this cost. Additional repairs may be needed.

Electric: nothing to report

Other: Mr. Dingelstedt explained that the compost area was closed due to problems with debris coming from out of town, commercial tree services and cost of cleanup. Until a decision is made about what to do it will be closed. Regular storm damage and leaf pick up will continue.

Fiscal Officers Report: Fiscal Officer in Training, Amie Clouse presented council with Appropriation Status, Revenue Status, Cash Flow Summary and Amended Estimated Budget 2021, and the Monthly Cash Flow Ledgers. Mrs. Clouse had a meeting to go over the budget for 2021 with the Auditor. The Budget was approved and she received new figures for the amended budget.

For July	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
General fund:	\$169,474.92	\$180,178.44
Streets:	\$207,770.66	\$202,533.76
Highway:	\$9,309.08	\$9,489.69
Storm Sewer:	\$30,586.10	\$37,550.56
Corona virus Relief:	\$29,341.94	\$29,341.94
Water:	\$107,420.66	\$116,718.76
Sanitary Sewer:	\$186,028.76	\$189,386.44
Electric:	\$687,954.60	\$706,824.92

Mayor's Report: Mayor Chester Balderson presented Resolution 2020- L to Support the Lion's Club in a Grant Application. The Lion's Club is applying for a sanitization sprayer and to complete drainage repairs to the park. Harry Colvin made a motion and Sherrie Keefe seconded the motion. The motion was passed 6-0.

Resolution 2020-M was presented to complete the repairs to the Sanitary Sewer. Councilman Lester Lute had some questions about the age of the system and if there had been any other major repairs. The system was installed in the late 80's. This is the first major repair to the system although a pump has been replaced. Teresa Margraf was concerned that the cost of the repairs to the Sanitary Sewer would result in rates going up. She wanted to council to be aware that the Sewer debt had an excess dollar amount after the debt was paid that was placed in the general fund. She wanted to propose the idea of the cost for repairs to come from the general fund if necessary instead of the sanitary sewer fund. Mayor Balderson thanked her and told her that he did not have any intentions of raising rates. President of Council Lester Lute inquired if there were any other bids for the project. There were not any other bids as Buckeye Pump was very prompt to assist the Village. They are also recommended by Findlay Sewer Department. Stephanie Balderson made a motion and Harry Colvin seconded the motion. The motion was passed 6-0.

Then Resolution 2020-N Amended Estimated Budget was presented. Amie Clouse explained why the budget is amended. She explained that at the budget meeting she received new estimated amounts from the County. These amounts that are received from the county are various taxes that are distributed throughout the year. Rhonda Dingelstedt made a motion it was seconded by Sherrie Keefe. Motion carried 6-0.

Solicitor Report: nothing to report

Zoning Report: Teresa Margraf presented a picture to council of where Nathan and Vicki Simon wished to place a fence. She explained that the Simon's have some buildings on their property that are on the Village right of way. They would like to place a fence that encloses these buildings. The fence would be on the Village right of way and this is why the building permit has been denied. There is a concern about the utilities that are in the area. The Board of Appeals did not recommended the Variance for approved at the meeting because more information about where the utilities where located was needed. Jim Margraf and Brian Dingelstedt did go to the area to determine where the utilities were. The zoning inspector Brian Dingelstedt asked the Simon's how far the fence would from the buildings on the right of way. Vicki Simon explained that the fence would be 2 feet off of the building and 5 feet off of her property line. Mr. Dingelstedt explained that when he talked with Tim Pool from Arlington Gas neither of them saw any problem with the fence going in. Mr. Pool did explain that Arlington Gas did have plans in the future to replace the gas line but did not have an exact time line. However Mr. Pool felt like he would have room to complete his project. The Zoning Inspector did not have a problem with the fence being placed on the Village right of way. Harry Colvin made a motion to approve the variance for the fence. Lester Lute seconded the motion all in favor 6:0.

Old Business: The Administrator Brian Dingelstedt informed council that the abandoned building on North Main Street looks like it is leaning. The Health Department has been contacted and Leathers should be contacted as well.

Mr. Dingelstedt asked what the council would like him to do about the compost area. He explained that he would call Tawa to get more information about disposing debris from the area. Ideas were discussed about how to address the issue. Having employees chipping as much as we collect was discussed. Then dispose of the mulch ourselves. Teresa Margraf explained that she has a compost container in her yard and explained more about it. She offered this as an option for residents. Signs to clearly mark what an area of the compost area is designated for. Options for days that might be available to have the area open to public. Mr. Filkens inquired about the cost to maintain the area. The Fiscal Officer explained that it was an average of \$20,000. Mr. Filkens mentioned that residents would likely be willing to contribute for this benefit. Some residents opposed this conclusion as they have not utilized the compost area. Mr. Filkens point was that a solution should reduce the cost to the Village. His concern was that opening the compost area even on a limited basis could still result in a costly expense. Mrs. Simon inquired how much the Village utilizes the compost area for the Village use. Mr. Dingelstedt explained that the items that are taken back to the compost area by the village employees are from residents. The Village does take leaves that are collected in the spring but this item will compost and will not need to be removed. Mayor Balderson will make a decision by the end of the week after he talks to Councilman Donald E. Moses and Administrator Brian Dingelstedt.

Carol Good had a concern about a curb that she would like to have painted. She has experienced multiple people hitting the curb her included. Mr. Dingelstedt told her he would paint it.

John Grossman asked council to consider only allowing parking on one side of South Main Street. He explained that when the school is starting and ending it is very congested for traffic to pass safely. The topic was discussed and then tabled.

New Business: nothing to report

Executive Session: Mayor Chester Balderson asked for a motion to go into executive session for pending litigation. Including himself, all council members, solicitor, administrator and fiscal officer. Stephanie Balderson made a motion to go into executive session. Sherri Keefe seconded the motion. All in favor 6-0.

Stephanie Balderson made a motion to come out of executive session. Lester Lute seconded the motion. All in favor 6-0.

Adjourn:

Rhonda Dingelstedt moved to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Balderson second. All in favor, meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Fiscal Officer in Training, Amie Clouse

Mayor, Chester Balderson