

**Arcadia Village Council Meeting Minutes,
December 12th, 2022**

Arcadia Village Council met for the regular scheduled session on December 12th, 2022, at the Town Hall located at 104 South Gibson Street 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: Rhonda Dingelstedt, Sherrie Keefe, Harry Colvin, Stephanie Balderson, Aadam Duckett and Donald E Moses. Village Administrator; Brian Dingelstedt, Fiscal Officer; Amie Clouse and Solicitor; John Filkins was present.

Minutes: Sherrie Keefe made a motion to accept the November 14th, 2022, minutes as written, and Harry Colvin seconds the motion. Roll call vote 6–0. Motion carried.

Bills: Stephanie Balderson made a motion to pay the November bills and Rhonda Dingelstedt seconds the motion. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Residents in Attendance: Carol McDonald, Maxine Papenfuse, Vi Fink and Janice Springer.

Visitors in Attendance: William Laveglia, Bonnie Sponsler and Ryan Sponsler.

Resident’s Concerns: Carol Mc Donald, Maxine Papenfuse and Vi Fink were in attendance to observe. Janice Springer was in attendance concerning a building permit variance that she had applied for. This will be addressed later in the council meeting.

Guest Concerns: Bonnie Sponsler and Ryan Sponsler were in attendance to support Mrs. Springer. William Laveglia was in attendance to address questions about a property on N. Main Street.

Administrators Report: Brian Dingelstedt reported receipts and expenditures for Nov 2022:

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Gain/Loss</u>
Water	\$27,678.87	\$13,703.03	+\$13,975.84
Sanitary Sewer	\$9,594.62	\$12,859.21	-\$3,264.67
Electric	\$47,982.02	\$28,133.58	+\$19,968.44

32 delinquent accounts: \$7,342.92
0 resident was disconnected for nonpayment.

Water: Nothing to report

Sanitary Sewer: Nothing to report

Electric: Nothing to report

Other: Mr. Dingelstedt updated council about the building on North Main Street owned by Gary Leathers that had the front of the building fall during a recent storm. Mr. Dingelstedt, Mr. Leathers, the Sherriff Department, Washington Twp Fire Department, and council members were on scene. Mr. Dingelstedt explained that the Fire Department condemned the building and after further investigation they were then informed that they did not have the authority to condemn the building. They also explained that the property owner had 72 hours to secure the building. Mr. Laveglia also explained that there is also not any occupants or utilities in the building with removes it from the fire departments authority to condemn. Mr. Dingelstedt explained that he believed the Village was back to square one with this topic. Mr. Dingelstedt then explained that Janice Springer applied for a building permit to add a handicap ramp attached to a new front porch. Mrs. Springers permit was denied because she exceeds the setbacks. Mrs. Springer has applied for a variance. At this point in time the Village does not have a variance committee. Mr. Dingelstedt wanted to advocate for Mrs. Springer and explain where the utilities in the area are. Mayor Balderson explained that the current committee only has one member and he would like to know what the steps are to address the committee members. It was determined that at this time Maxine Papenfuse is the only member and she would decide the new members that will be part of the variance committee. This will be addressed later in the meeting. Mr. Dingelstedt explained that Mrs. Springer has a sewer line in front of her property. This line is very close to the street and her addition will not affect this line in any way. The other topic is how far she will be encroaching on the set back. The addition proposed will be a couple of feet past the setbacks. Stephanie Balderson inquired if the variance could be applied to the current resident and future residents will not have the same variance? It was explained that due to the current lay out of the property and the surrounding properties it would not be relevant. Sherrie Keefe made a motion the accept the variance to extend past the current setbacks to build a handicap ramp. Harry Colvin seconds the motion. Roll call, all in favor 6-0. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officers Report: Fiscal Officer, Amie Clouse presented council with Appropriation Status, Revenue Status, Cash Flow Summary, and the monthly fund balance.

<u>For November</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
General fund:	\$246,969.90	\$248,534.39
Streets:	\$201,576.77	\$199,058.19
Highway:	\$13,458.43	\$13,482.54
Storm Sewer:	\$72,169.58	\$72,169.58
ARPA Corona Virus:	\$61,716.57	\$61,716.57
Water:	\$122,614.67	\$136,590.51
Sanitary Sewer:	\$227,281.92	\$224,017.25
Electric:	\$862,461.81	\$882,330.25`

Mrs. Clouse explained that she created a fund for the Cares Act Fund (Coronavirus Relief Fund) and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA coronavirus). During the recent audit it was pointed out that these funds need to be approved by council with a resolution. Mrs. Clouse explained that she was also informed that the recent tax that the council approved for motor vehicle registration needs to be placed in a new fund separate from streets and highways. This new fund is for Permissive Tax and named as such.

Mrs. Clouse also passed out the information about the new estimates of revenue. The update includes funds from the recent storm sewer levy that passed in November. The storm sewer levy funds were not part of the original estimates as it was before the levy passed. Next, Mrs. Clouse presented council with the Temporary Appropriations for 2023. These will be the funds available until Final Appropriations are completed and passed.

Finally, Mrs. Clouse explained that she had a meeting with Sam Wolfe this month. Mr. Wolfe is from American Municipal Power, the village's power supply company. Mr. Wolfe wanted to update the Village about the Solar Project they were working on. Mrs. Clouse explained she was informed that the current price that is being offered is above the \$45 MWh that was agreed in the resolution that was passed. The current price being offered is \$65 MWh, which is in the range of what is to be expected to be the average price. The solar comes with a clean energy credit that will reduce the overall cost to lower than the market average. Mrs. Clouse explained that there was nothing to do at this time. There is time to consider what council would like to do.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Balderson presented Resolution 2022-O directing the Fiscal Officer to create funds for ARPA coronavirus, Coronavirus Relief Fund, and Permissive Tax Fund. Donald Moses made a motion to accept the resolution. Rhonda Dingelstedt seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Balderson presented Resolution 2022-P to accept estimates of revenue for 2023 that will be turned in to the county auditor. This resolution acknowledges the funds coming from the new storm sewer levy. Stephanie Balderson made a motion to accept the resolution. Donald Moses seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Balderson presented Ordinance 2022-6 Temporary Appropriations for 2023. Harry Colvin made a motion to accept Ordinance 2002-6. Sherrie Keefe seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Balderson presented Ordinance 2022-7 for John Filkens contract two-year contract. Harry Colvin made a motion to accept the ordinance. Rhonda Dingelstedt seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

Solicitor Report: nothing to report

Zoning Report: nothing to report

Old Business: Mayor Balderson addressed the lack of variance committee members. There are residents that have expressed interest and they can be contacted. It will also be advertised to see if there is interest from residents to participate. Mr. Balderson addressed council and asked if they are interested in continuing to have a variance committee. Donald Moses stated that if it continues to be hard to find members that they should dissolve the committee. He also stated that the final decision is made by council. Mayor Balderson stated that if they did not have any interest at the next council meeting that the committee could be dissolved.

Mayor Balderson asked Mrs. Balderson about the brochure she had prepared. She stated that she had some updates for the brochure and would bring it to the next council meeting.

New Business: Donald Moses asked what the Village could do to address problems in the Village including semi-trucks that should not be on Village streets. Mr. Filkens explained that they would need to hire law enforcement. This topic will have to be investigated more.

Executive Session: Harry Colvin made a motion to go into executive session for employee raises including council members, the mayor, administrator, fiscal officer, and solicitor. Aadam Duckett seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried 6-0.

Sherrie Keefe made a motion to come out of executive session. Donald Moses seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried, 6-0.

Sherrie Keefe made a motion to give a 4% raise to current employees, Brian Dingelstedt, Amie Clouse, Travis Bohn, and Jason Mattox to go into effect for the first payroll paid in 2023. Harry Colvin seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passes 5-0. Rhonda Dingelstedt abstained.

Adjourn: Rhonda Dingelstedt moved to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Balderson seconded. All in favor, meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Fiscal Officer, Amie Clouse

Mayor, Chester Balderson