

Arcadia Village Council Meeting Minutes September 16th, 2024

Arcadia Village Council met for a special/emergency session on September 16th, 2024, at the Town Hall located at 104 South Gibson Street Arcadia, Ohio at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Brian Fink called the meeting to order. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call Attendance: Mayor; Brian Fink. Voting Council Members: Stephanie Balderson, Donald Moses, Rhonda Dingelstedt, Jennifer Bowman and Angela Kimble. Fiscal Officer; Amie Clouse, Solicitor; John Filkins, and Village Administrator; Mark Bowman were present. Aadam Duckett was not present.

Residents in Attendance: Vicki Simon, Nathan Simon, Teresa Margraf, Carol McDonald, Jeff Hanna, and David S. Roberts Sr.

Guests in Attendance: Brett O'Connor and Ruth Tong

Fiscal Officer; Amie Clouse notified the council that the village can apply for 2 grants. The Community Gathering Spaces grant and a Building Community through Neighborhood Revitalization grant. She presented a project to upgrade the outside electric system at the Lion's Community Park. The project included updates to current outside electric as well as additional access in new areas in the park to accommodate the needs for community events. During the recent events at the park, Christmas in the ARC and Breyman Memorial Fireworks, the electric system was unable to meet the needs of the bounce houses and other activities. The Findlay Hancock Community Foundation's Community Gathering Spaces is a matching grant up to \$25,000. Mrs. Clouse asked to the council to approve to apply for this grant to upgrade the electric system outside the park with minor upgrades inside the community building. Mrs. Clouse explained that decorative lighting could be added to the application. She presented a quote for lights that would be placed on the outside of the community building. They can be utilized all year. They can be programed to display different colors and lighting programs. The electric upgrade quote was approximately \$20,000. The decorated lighting is \$6,000 to \$3,000, depending on where they are available at time of purchase.

Next, Mrs. Clouse gave details about the Building Community through Neighborhood Revitalization Grant through the Findlay Hancock Community Foundation. This grant does not require a match, and offers up to \$25,000. Mrs. Clouse spoke with Mr. Mark Bowman about establishing a walking track at the community park. He explained that the path could be dug and stoned for the amount available through this grant. This will be the first phase of establishing a walking path. After the path has been established and utilized, the path can be surfaced.

Mayor: Mayor Brian Fink asked for a motion to pass Resolution 2024-O to Support and Authorize the Village to apply for a grant to upgrade the electric system at the park. Stephanie Balderson made a motion to apply for the grant. Jennifer Bowman seconded the motion. All in favor. Roll call, 5-0. Motion pass.

Mayor Fink asked for a motion to pass Resolution 2024-P to Support and Authorize the Village to apply for a grant to establish a walking path at the community park. Rhonda Dingelstedt made a motion to pass the resolution. Donald Moses seconded the motion. All in favor. Roll call, 5-0. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Mayor Brian Fink asked for a motion to adjourn. Rhonda Dingelstedt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Balderson seconded the motion. Roll call 5-0. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Fiscal Officer, Amie Clouse

Mayor Brian Fink