

## **Arcadia Village Council Meeting Minutes February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Arcadia Village Council met for regular session on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 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, Rhonda Dingelstedt, Jennifer Bowman, Chester Balderson and Angela Kimble. Fiscal Officer; Amie Clouse, Village Administrator; Mark Bowman and Solicitor; John Filkins were present. Councilman Adam Duckett was absent.

**Residents in Attendance:** Vicki Simon, Nathan Simon, Nan Boone, Carol McDonald, Shelley Hill, Jeff Hanna, Teresa Margraf, Andrea Eatherton, Craig Moore, Michelle Hengsteler and Michelle Santa Cruz.

**Guests in Attendance:** No guests were in attendance.

**Minutes:** Mayor Brian Fink asked for a motion to forgo the reading of the January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes. Rhonda Dingelstedt made a motion to forgo the reading of the January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes. Angela Kimble seconded the motion. Roll call 5-0. All in favor. Motion passes.

Mayor Fink asked for a motion to accept the January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes as written. Stephanie Balderson made a motion to accept the January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as written. Chester Balderson seconded the motion. Roll call vote 5-0. All in favor, motion carried.

**Bills:** Mayor Fink asked for a motion to pay the January bills. Stephanie Balderson made a motion to pay the bills. Rhonda Dingelstedt seconded the motion. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

**Resident Concerns:** Teresa Margraf asked how the water fund looked at the end of 2024. Mrs. Clouse will get this information to Mrs. Margraf. She also inquired about the Amplex sign that was outside of the town hall. Mayor Fink asked if anyone had an issue with the sign. Mrs. Margraf did not believe the village should be marketing for the company. Chester Balderson explained that the new account form has contact information to use TDS services. Mrs. Margraf did not believe this correlated with the sign out front. Mr. Bowman explained that it was temporary. Council agreed it was not important and the sign could be removed. Mrs. Balderson also asked to have the other information removed from the new accounts form. Mrs. Margraf stated that this information provides new residents information about available services.

Michelle Hengsteler explained to the council that the Lions Club was looking to purchase AED devices for the park and community building. Mrs. Hengsteler contacted the Findlay Community Foundation for help to fund the devices. The Foundation recommended that she contact the school and the village about the project and ask for their help with funding as the foundation was unable to pay the entire cost. Mrs. Hengsteler explained that the cost for the AED devices including a locked box to contain it outside would be approximately \$3,000.00. Shelley Hill recommended contacting the fire department. Mrs. Hengsteler looked into other grants but will contact the local department. Mr. Bowman explained to Mrs. Hengsteler it would be good to talk to the school. They utilize the baseball diamonds at the community park so this is something that would be beneficial to them as well.

Carol McDonald inquired about a flyer with backflow device information that was an insert in the February bill. Mrs. Clouse explained what a backflow device does and that the flyer is part of the EPA requirements that residents receive information about backflow devices each year. Craig Moore was in attendance to inquire about an issue that he has had on his property for several years. Mr. Moore explained that a neighbor's dog is regularly pooping in his yard. He

contacted the dog warden and talked to the neighbor. Mrs. Balderson recommended a camera to catch the offense. Mr. Moore explained that the warden also recommended cameras. Mr. Moore did not want to go that far and hoped someone would speak to the neighbor. Mayor Fink explained that he will reach out to the neighbor and ask him to put his dog on a leash. We will address the matter again if it persists.

Andrea Eatherton asked if she was able to put a camera on her electric pole. Mayor Fink explained that she could not put them on village property.

Vicki Simon explained that the Lions Club has a new president, Michelle Hengsteler. Michelle Hengsteler thanked everyone. Mark Bowman informed the council that Vicki Simon is the new Vice President.

**Guest Concerns:** No guests.

**Administrator Report:** Mark Bowman prepared the reports for receipts and expenditures for January 2025:

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Gain/Loss</u>
Water	\$41,595.62	\$24,062.80	+\$17,532.82
Sanitary Sewer	\$9,515.14	\$7,974.91	+\$1,540.23
Electric	\$56,325.97	\$76,697.14	-\$20,371.17

38 delinquent accounts: \$9,047.54

0 residents were disconnected for nonpayment.

**Water:** Mr. Bowman explained that Buckeye Pump replaced pump #1 at the water lift station. The old one has been sent in for an estimate to rebuild.

**Sanitary Sewer:** Mr. Bowman explained that he received the rebuilt assembly and now there is a backup.

**Electric:** No power outages this month.

**Streets:** Mr. Bowman explained that they have been clearing the streets.

**Other:** Mr. Bowman reminded everyone about the recycling containers at the compost area.

**Fiscal Officers Report:** Fiscal Officer, Amie Clouse prepared the following reports for the council: Appropriation Status, Revenue Status, Cash Summary by Fund, and the monthly fund balance.

<u>For January</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
General fund:	\$409,078.73	\$412,647.30
Streets:	\$212,784.19	\$213,721.33
Highway:	\$18,636.80	\$18,825.26
Storm Sewer:	\$117,938.29	\$117,938.29
Permissive Tax	\$8,778.47	\$8,932.29
ARPA Coronavirus:	\$9,730.89	\$9,730.89
Heart and Soul:	\$78,091.83	\$76,348.00
Water:	\$184,295.31	\$201,828.13
Sanitary Sewer:	\$245,990.41	\$247,066.68
Electric:	\$993,119.13	\$973,528.81
Enterprise Deposits:	\$20,231.90	\$20,431.90
Enterprise Improvement:	\$112,728.18	\$113,795.09

Mrs. Clouse presented the report that Ruth Tong, Heart and Soul Coordinator, had prepared for the council to look over. The report included highlights for the last year and financial reports.

**Mayor Report:** Mayor Brian Fink explained that he reached out to Mr. Nault about the storage shed. He asked Mr. Nault to consider moving the shed sooner rather than later as Mayor Fink thought the frozen ground would be a better time to move the structure. Mr. Nault will be contacting the person who delivered the building. Mayor Fink will check in with Mr. Nault again to see how he is progressing.

Mayor Fink contacted Fire Chief Tom Moses about the building on South Main Street, owned by Gary Leathers. Chief Moses explained to Mayor Fink why the fire department could not condemn the building. Mayor Fink would like to find another avenue to solve the issue with the property.

Mayor Fink talked to Mr. Bowman about getting a street light fixed. Mayor Fink explained that he noticed that Jim Brown was available. Mayor Fink asked to have the street light repaired and if Mr. Brown was unavailable then Pat Logan would be able to make the repairs.

Mayor Fink asked the infrastructure committee to get together to look at the sidewalks that need repaired and start moving forward with replacing sidewalks.

**Solicitor Report:** nothing to report

**Building Inspector:** nothing to report

**Old Business:** Mrs. Stephanie Balderson inquired about a number of hours on a timesheet as the employee was limited to 32 hours. Mr. Bowman reviewed the hours and determined that comp time was taken for one of the weeks that were over.

Mayor Fink asked if Fostoria sent a rate increase. Mrs. Clouse explained that she has not received any notification.

Mrs. Clouse explained to the council that she has been communicating with Gary Yost about his property that he is interested in selling. He has a question about what type of business is able to be placed on this lot. The village has the lot zoned as local business. Mr. Yost would like some clarity on the difference between regular business and local business as our zoning states. Mr. Filkins advised that this description may be in the zoning book. Mrs. Clouse presented to the council with the pages in the zoning book that refers to acceptable businesses in the local business area. Mr. Yost will pick up this information.

**New Business:** no new business

**Adjourn:** Mayor Brian Fink asked for a motion to adjourn. Stephanie Balderson made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Jenifer Bowman seconded the motion. Roll call 5-0. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Fiscal Officer, Amie Clouse

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Mayor Brian Fink

