

The budget meeting of the Village of Arcade (VOA) Board of Trustees, Wyoming County, New York was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 7:00 pm there were:

PRESENT

Mayor Donna Schiener, Trustee Lisa Byers, Trustee Andrew Koerner, Trustee Elwyn Roll, Trustee Eric Szucs, Superintendent of Public Works Andrew Bartz, Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Kraft, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Karpinski.

ALSO PRESENT

Chris Lexer, ZEO

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schiener opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

WAYFINDING UPDATE

Chris Lexer, ZEO, updated the Board on the zoning for the wayfinding plaques and stands. According to the Village Chapter 64 Zoning Law, Section 805 Signs, Paragraphs E Public Service Signs and F Historical Markers, the placement of the wayfinding plaques and stands would be within the Village’s zoning law regulations.

CONSULTANT AMENDING ZONING LAW

Motion by Trustee Koerner and seconded by Trustee Roll to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement between the VOA and Hopkins Sorgi & McCarthy PLLC for consultant services for the amending of Chapter 64 Zoning.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

VOTE								
Mayor Donna Schiener	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Lisa Byers	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Andy Koerner	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Elwyn Roll	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Eric Szucs	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
VOTE TOTAL:								
	5	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	0	Absent
RESULTS		X	PASS				FAIL	

ELECTRIC BUDGET

SPW Andrew Bartz presented the tentative 2023-24 electric budget.

ELECTRIC DEPT

The Electric Budget is balanced at 9,912,380.

This Budget includes hiring a Lineman “B” and a trainee to prepare for 3 top retirements in the next three years. The idea is to have 2 graduates in 2 years as “A” linemen and have the trainee in year two of school. Also, in the budget is the purchase of a new ½ ton pickup to replace the 2018-meter truck.

Project work included in Budget:

- Finish lighting on East Main Street, Church St. add new sidewalks down Church St. heat 30’ of sidewalk (North and South of office to keep snow off total 60’). Add 2-3 ped lights out front.
- Garden Park New ped lights. Reroute electric service, clean up creek trees.
- Re-conductor West Yorkshire Rd, new PTP and hardware.
- Side streets in the village add Squirrel/bird guards to protect transformers.
- Change out insulators dead end, upgrade transformer connections on Park St.
- Seal the concrete under the trucks at the electric garage to preserve the floor.
- Start and maintain a five-year tree trimming plan to mirror our 5-year pole inspection.
- Correct any Stray Voltage/ Pole inspection deficiencies.
- Repair Bixby Hill Substation secondary bushing leak on South Transformer.
- Repair Ratio Transformer moisture issue.
- GIS mapping for URD, Pole Inspection, Stray Voltage utilities.
- Prepare engineering for SEL Relay replacement next year at the Freedom Substation.
- NERC testing according to the V of A NERC Compliance Testing Schedule.

- Substation training/ breaker removal.
- Countyline Substation –
 - > replace dehydrating breather temperature sensor.
 - > rewire inner connection RS-232 pinout on relays and e-PAQ.
- Fix roof leak at the Electric/Water garage.
- Make repairs to Church St office (\$15,000): Gutters on garage, South side foundation block work, painting, fascia.

There is only one truck NYPA loan left which will be paid for in this Budget year 2023-24.

- Also included are the customary increases in contractual expenses.
- Employees’ wages/increases per the 2023-24 CSEA contract.

CSEA GENERAL CONTRACT SIGNATURE PAGE

Motion by Trustee Roll and seconded by Trustee Szucs to authorize the signing of the proposed contract between the Village of Arcade and the CSEA, Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Village of Arcade General Unit #9252, Wyoming County Local 861. The contract will cover the period of June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2026.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

VOTE								
Mayor Donna Schiener	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Lisa Byers	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Andy Koerner		Yes		No	X	Abstain		Absent
Trustee Elwyn Roll	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Eric Szucs	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
VOTE TOTAL:								
	4	Yes	0	No	1	Abstain	0	Absent
RESULTS		X	PASS				FAIL	

AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN AXON CONTRACT

Motion by Trustee Byers and seconded by Trustee Koerner to authorize the Mayor to sign the purchase agreement between the Village of Arcade and Axon Enterprise, Inc. The agreement is for five years, with the first annual payment of \$1,573.24 and the remaining four payments at \$1,573.19, for a total of \$7,866. This agreement is for the purchase of three 2021 Tasers.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

VOTE								
Mayor Donna Schiener	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Lisa Byers	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Andy Koerner	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Elwyn Roll	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Eric Szucs	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
VOTE TOTAL:								
	5	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	0	Absent
RESULTS		X	PASS				FAIL	

REPORTS RECEIVED

The following reports were received, reviewed, and placed on file:

- 2023-24 Tentative Electric Budget

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting duly adjourned at 8:21 pm upon motion by Trustee Szucs and seconded by Trustee Koerner.

Clerk/Treasurer,