

The regular meeting of the Village of Arcade (VOA) Board of Trustees, Wyoming County, New York was held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at 6:30 pm there were:

**PRESENT**

Mayor Donna Schiener, Trustee Lisa Byers, Trustee Andrew Koerner, Trustee Eric Szucs, Superintendent of Public Works Andrew Bartz, Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Kraft, Police Chief Matt Krist

**ABSENT**

Trustee Elwyn Roll, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Karpinski.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Jace Drennan

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Schiener opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**USE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARPA) FUNDS RESOLUTION REVISED**

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Szucs and seconded by Trustee Koerner to authorize the use of the ARPA funds for the following projects:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS** in August 2021, the Village of Arcade received \$99,127.91 of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA21") Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and in July 2022 received an additional \$99,127.90 in ARPA funds; and

**WHEREAS** the original ARPA funds resolution called for the following use of the funds:

Broadband for the Village of Arcade downtown area, \$65-70,000

Cameras and microphones for the Board room to allow video meetings, when necessary, \$7,100

Wireless speakers for the downtown area \$15,000,

With the remaining unspent funds to be used for future projects, in conjunction with the receipt of ARPA funds in 2022, and

**WHEREAS** year to date, the Village has spent only the funds for the cameras and microphones for the video meetings in the amount of \$6,778, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined to use the funding on the following projects:

Purchase of playground equipment for the Sullivan Avenue Park in the amount of \$31,122

Repair the large shelter at the Park, \$40,000

Purchase new tasers for the Police Department, \$7,200

Replace sidewalk and add lighting in front of Village office, \$30,000

With the remaining unspent funds to be used for future projects

**WHEREAS** it is the recommendation of the Mayor, the Board the Board of Trustees, the Village Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Works that the following items ("Items") be purchased using available ARPA21 funds:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Arcade authorizes the use of up to \$108,122 of currently available ARPA21 funds to finance the purchase of said Items; and the remaining funds will be held for future projects, and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that any unspent funds remaining after the purchase of said Items will be returned to the Office of the Village Treasurer.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

<b>VOTE</b>								
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		Yes		No		Abstain	X	Absent
Trustee Eric Szucs	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
<b>VOTE TOTAL:</b>								
	4	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	1	Absent
<b>RESULTS</b>		X	<b>PASS</b>				<b>FAIL</b>	

**AUTHORIZATION TO POST ELECTRIC METER FOREMAN POSITION**

Motion by Trustee Byers and seconded by Trustee Szucs to authorize SPW Bartz to post the position of Electric Meter Foreman.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

<b>VOTE</b>								
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		Yes		No		Abstain	X	Absent
Trustee Eric Szucs	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
<b>VOTE TOTAL:</b>								
	4	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	1	Absent
<b>RESULTS</b>		X	<b>PASS</b>				<b>FAIL</b>	

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT**

Motion by Trustee Szucs and seconded by Trustee Koerner to authorize the Mayor to sign a two year contract with Waste Management in the amount of \$159,600 year one and \$163,590 for the second year. In the second year Waste Management will provide totes for garbage and recycling, there will not be any stickers necessary in the second year of the contract.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

<b>VOTE</b>								
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		Yes		No		Abstain	X	Absent
Trustee Eric Szucs	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
<b>VOTE TOTAL:</b>								
	4	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	1	Absent
<b>RESULTS</b>		X	<b>PASS</b>				<b>FAIL</b>	

**2023-24 GENERAL BUDGET**

The General budget was presented. The budget is balanced with a 1.81% tax increase. The budget includes funding from the ambulance billing process along with the expense for an EMT. Also included is another full time police officer, sidewalk and road repairs, a new contract with Waste Management along with the usual and customary increases for wages, per the CSEA contract, and contractual increases. The budget also allows for funding to be placed in the equipment replacement reserves for future purchases.

All budgets will be presented at the annual meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**REPORTS RECEIVED**

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

- 2023-2024 General Budget

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting duly adjourned at 7:46 pm upon motion by Trustee Byers and seconded by Trustee Koerner.

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Clerk/Treasurer