

**VILLAGE OF ARMADA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021  
7:00PM**

President Wolak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All rose for Pledge of Allegiance. Present at roll call: Shall, Wolak, Boelke, Sledz, Ballard, Clark, and Coenen. Also present: Clerk Poulos, Treasurer Adair, Stacy Sobotka, Mike Tandeski, Jeff Yaroch, and Kevin Grand.

**AGENDA, APPROVAL OF**

**MOTION** by Ballard, seconded by Shall, to approve agenda as presented.

All Ayes

**CARRIED**

**CITIZEN COMMENT**

Mike Tandeski, a wholesale tree broker and resident, offered to donate 100 trees to the Village to help replace the trees that were taken down by the tornado. He stated that the trees will be 10 – 12 feet tall, 2 – 2 ½ inch caliper, 300 to 400 pounds and will be three species: Autumn Blaze Maple, Princeton Elm, or Exclamation Sycamore. The Village is most grateful for this donation to help restore the Village back to pre-tornado. He stated that they will be available in the Spring around April.

State Representative Jeff Yaroch explained that he was attending the Council meeting as part of his listening tour, as he held a town hall meeting prior to the Council meeting at the Village Council Chamber. He stated that he is impressed with the clean up of Armada and that he was present to help with that effort after the tornado. He acknowledged how great people were with delivering water, food, Gatorade, etc. and with help in general. So many people offered their own time to clean up efforts and it was not unnoticed. He advised the Council and the public to contact him with any concerns or questions on any items.

**PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- F & V presented Council with the July, 2021, Wastewater Treatment Plant and Water Treatment Plant Operations and Maintenance Report.
- The Treasurer's Report for July, 2021, was submitted.
- The DPW Report for July, 2021, was submitted.
- The Police Department Police Action Report for July 2021 was read aloud by Police Commissioner Ballard.
- Street Administrator Sledz stated that the sidewalk replacement has begun this week and will be completed by October 15, 2021. He asked any resident wishing to opt out to let the Village Office know. He will be obtaining quotes for the storm damaged sidewalks and will need to discuss how the Village is handling this. The stump removal is also resuming. He stated that Replant Armada will be doing a walk-through on Wednesday with himself and DPW Supervisor Wagner. Trustee Boelke stated that Gary (Township Park person) wants to join in on this walk through as the Township is receiving trees but will only use approximately eight and would like to donate the balance to the Village.

- The Clerk informed residents that were affected by the tornado of a hydroseeding company that has offered to donate hydroseeding to lawns destroyed during the recent tornado.
- Water Commissioner Boelke provided Council with a written report and addressed just a couple of items on it. He stated that he will be going forward with ordering the 2 media vessels as the Village does not have the funds to order the four needed. The other two will be ordered at another time. He also stated that he will request that F & V include a more detailed Water Report and that the water system is calibrated and running very well. He also suggested that a letter be sent on behalf of the Village to acknowledge and thank the Romeo and Richmond DPW's for their assistance during the tornado clean up. President Wolak stated that this is already being addressed by the Village Office.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **1. CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Ballard, seconded by Clark, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**A. Approval of RCM Minutes of 8/9/21** approved as presented.

**B. Payment of Bills** totaling **\$222,219.27** approved for payment as follows:

1. General Fund	\$ 10,220.51
2. Police STI	\$ 3,150.00
3. Water Fund	\$ 1,029.90
4. Sewer Plant Fund	\$ 207,666.19
5. Sewer System Fund	\$ 34.90
6. Major Street Fund	\$ 82.88
7. Local Street Fund	\$ 34.89
8. Municipal Street	\$ 0
Total	\$ 222,219.27

**C. Special Event Permit Application – Armada Area Schools – Homecoming Parade** – approved the Special Event Permit Application from Armada Area Schools for the Homecoming Parade on 10-1-21 as long as all COVID safe practices are followed as outlined and explained to the applicant. Subject to cancellation/change to comply with the Department of Health and Human Services orders.

All Ayes

**CARRIED**

### **2. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. SEWER PLANT UPDATE**

Sewer Commissioner Clark informed Council that Matt Carstens gave his notice last week to F & V. Clark is not sure who will be taking his place but assumes that Chris Munson will step in until they find someone. He also stated that Don, another F & V employee is retiring. He updated briefly on the Sewer Plant improvements. He also stated that he was on scene when F & V pulled a cluster of wipes from the Colonial Street Lift station. He strongly reiterated that wipes that state they are flushable, are not in the Village. They do not have the time to break down before hitting sewer equipment and this costs the Village and residents a lot of money. He also stated that the DPW

worked on a blocked sewer line on Main Street by the bridge which was caused by grease. The Richmond DPW brought their vacator over to clean it out. An investigation will follow to figure out where this grease came from. Clark stated the Village may want to consider a small vacator for the DPW to have.

### **B. WATER DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Water Commissioner Boelke stated that he covered everything under Administrative Reports.

## **3. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. TO ACCEPT BIDS FOR THE MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FOR SALE FROM THE DPW**

DPW Supervisor Wagner advertised items for sale and the Clerk received bids for several Christmas decorations.

**MOTION** by Coenen, seconded by Shall, to accept the bid from Rob Rosenthal for four (4) 6 ½ foot Christmas trees in the amount of \$100.00 and seven (7) 4 foot large wreathes for \$150.00. Also to accept the bid from Christine White for twelve (12) large garlands (pole wraps) for \$10.00, eight (8) large red garlands with bells for \$10.00, and three (3) large green garlands for \$5.00.

All Ayes

**CARRIED**

### **B. TO ALLOW PAYMENT TO RICHMOND AND ROMEO POLICE WORKERS AT THE ARMADA FAIR**

The Village Office is requesting Council to approve the payment for the Richmond and Romeo Police Fair workers to be made with the August 26, 2021, payroll. This expense will appear on the 9/13/21 schedule of bills.

**MOTION** by Ballard, seconded by Sledz, to allow the Payroll Department to pay the police officers from Richmond and Romeo for their Fair time on the 8/26/21 payroll, distribution will appear on the 9/13/21 Schedule of Bills.

Ayes: Ballard, Sledz, Boelke, Shall, Clark, Coenen Wolak  
Nays: None

**CARRIED**

### **C. STATE DISASTER CONTINGENCY FUND GRANT RESOLUTION**

**MOTION** by Ballard, seconded by Shall, to adopt the State Disaster Contingency Fund Grant Resolution naming Treasurer Jo Adair as the authorized person to execute the application for financial assistance.

Ayes: Ballard, Shall, Clark, Sledz, Coenen, Wolak  
Nays: None

**CARRIED**

### **UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Residential Waste Hauler

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNITY EVENTS**

The Council congratulated the Armada Agricultural Society on a great Fair and on record attendance. Trustee Coenen asked the Clerk to prepare a letter to send to offer this congratulations.

Street Administrator Sledz informed Council that the Village did not receive the Category B grant. He also acknowledged the new trash cans downtown.

Park Commissioner Shall thanked the public and stated that he appreciates all of the support for the Concerts in the Park and looks forward to next year.

No further business.

**MOTION** by Ballard, seconded by Clark, to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm.

All Ayes

**CARRIED**

Minutes submitted by:

Michelle Poulos, CMMC  
Armada Village Clerk