

Akron Town Council Meeting

February 20, 2023

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice-President; Tony Rameriz, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Gearhart, Marshal, Aaron Gearhart, Superintendent; Jake Gearhart, Asst. Superintendent; Andy Perkins, Town Attorney.

Guest: Sign in sheet.

The meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jim opened the public hearing at 6:00p.m. to discuss ADA Compliance. David Meihls, ADA Consulting of Indiana, addressed the board about the evaluation reports he's completed with the Town. No public comment was heard. Jim made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:24p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 16, 2023 council meeting as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Heather Shriver shared her concerns with people driving on the trail between the boys and girls diamonds at the park. She requested barricades be placed to prevent people from driving on the trails and allow kids to move safely between the 2 diamonds during the baseball/softball season. Aaron will provide Akron Youth League with 2 barricades that can be placed when events are going on.

Heather Redinger presented the 2022 Annual Report for the Fulton County Plan Commission. She shared that a training was available on March 6th at 5:30p.m. if anyone was interested in attending. She will provide Rebecca with more details that can be shared with the council. Discussion about the condition of the trailer park took place.

Sarah Reynolds spoke with the council about the return of a Farmer's Market to Akron. She has spoke with the Fulton County Health Department to make sure everyone participating would be compliant with regulations. She is requesting the use of the Downtown Park on Saturday morning for a couple hours. Jim made a motion to support the Farmer's Market and the use of the downtown park at no cost. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes. Sarah will continue to work with the Akron Chamber of Commerce and provide more details to the Council when they become available.

Rebecca presented the Nippon Renewal for Dental, Short-Term Disability, Long-Term Disability, Life & AD&D. Jim made a motion to approve the renewal with Nippon. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rebecca presented Utility Adjustment Request. Rich made a motion to approve adjustments for the following accounts: Maria Lancon, Juan Baca & Lorena Clayton. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rebecca presented the 2022 Annual Financial Report to the council. Rich made a motion to approved the report as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes. Rebecca will submit the report in Gateway. Jim will sign off on the report.

Marshal Report: Incident report for January 2023 was presented. The Engine Break signs have been installed. Justin is looking to purchase additional body cams for the department.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: We did 5 data logger reports, replaced 3-meter bases, & cleaned out 7 valve boxes. Aaron & Jake took a class in Covington, IN over Lead, Copper & PFAS. A valve broke to goes to Akron Vision Center and will repair ASAP. ISO will be here March 22nd to complete the 5 year update on our water system. Working on a quote for Pike Lumber to install new service line for their East Dry Kiln. We had a gas leak after our gas meter at the water treatment plant. Core Mechanical fixed the leak.

Sewer Dept: We had a backed-up sewer between the 100 & 200 block of South Cherry St. We were unable to clear the blockage with our equipment, so Accu-Dig from Monticello was called to assist. Aaron presented a quote from Covalen to purchase 2 E1 Grinder pumps. Rich made a motion to approve the quote to Covalen for \$7250 for the pumps. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Street Dept: Aaron presented quotes for the garage door on the Salt Building. Jim made a motion to accept the quote from Pike Garage Doors for \$2300. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes. The Engine Break signs have been installed.

Miscellaneous: The Women's Restroom deadbolt at Pike Memorial Park has been repaired. The mowers are serviced and ready for the 2023 Mowing Season. The Tornado Siren on top of Town Hall has been fix by J&K. The 2016 F350 Dump Truck had a tensioner go out on the hydraulic pump and has been repaired. Rebecca presented a quote from WACD for a new Dell Toughbook. Jim made a motion to approve the purchase for \$2,852.92. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

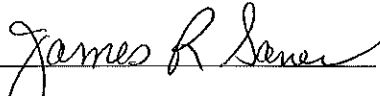
Resolution 02-20-2023 – Transfer of Appropriations – Jim made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

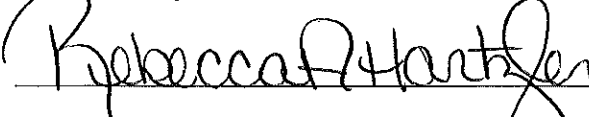
Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$1,403,804.22. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Payroll Allowance Docket for \$17,612.74. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, March 13, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Rich made a motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Jim 2nd. 3 ayes.


Jim Saner, President


Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer