

Akron Town Council Meeting

March 13, 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 reestablishing the CCD Fund. No public comment was heard. Jim made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim acknowledged the 3 bids received were from the following companies: Phend & Brown, Brooks Construction Company and Gaunt & Sons. Jim made a motion to accept the bid from Gaunt & Sons for \$285,326.50. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 20, 2023 council meeting as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Eric with Baker Tilly spoke with the council about the Annual Sewer & Water Financial Management Reports. He also discussed the need for potential water & sewer rate increases based on the FMR information. Eric provided Rate Ordinance for the council to review.

Rebecca presented Utility Adjustment Request. Rich made a motion to approve adjustments for the following accounts: Yearling Properties, LLC. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Marshal Report: Incident report for February 2023 was presented. Justin purchased 2 new body cams off of Ebay for the department.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: We did 3 data logger reports & replaced 2-meter bases. We had a water leak at 1556 S SR19 that was on the customers side of the curb stop. The water leak for the eye doctor building has been repaired. Construction Services of Indiana assisted with the repair. ISO will be here to do a 5-year update on the water system March 22nd. Aaron & Jake completed an asset management principles class online for water apprenticeship program. The new 2" meter has been installed at Sonoco Products.

Sewer Dept: We installed a new plug on the effluent at the Constructed Wetlands. Aaron & Jake attended the WWETT Expo in Indianapolis.

Street Dept: Rebecca sent out bid packets for the CCMG to contractors who requested the information.

Miscellaneous: Thiry will begin residing the Salt Building and Well Houses the week of March 13th. Our new laptop has arrived and working to transfer all programs and documents from the old one. Aaron & Jake will attend the WTH GIS Conference on May 19th for training on their software.

Ordinance 03-13-2023 – Reestablishment of CCD Fund – Jim made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Ordinance 03-13-2023A – An Ordinance Amending the Rates and Charges of the Town of Akron Municipal Water Utility was Introduced.


Ordinance 03-13-2023B – An Ordinance Amending the Rates and Charges of the Town of Akron Municipal Sewer Utility was Introduced.

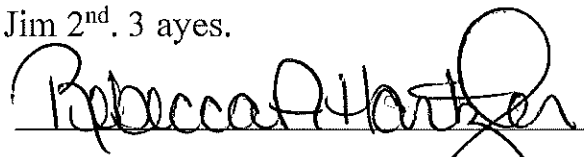
Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$162,020.87 Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Payroll Allowance Docket for \$17,642.94. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, April 17, 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