Akron Town Council Meeting October 21, 2024

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice President; Tony Rameriz, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Jake Gearhart, Superintendent; Anthony Newcomer, Assistant Superintendent, Andy Perkins, Attorney

Guest: Sign in sheet.

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

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 16, 2024 council meeting as presented. Tony 2^{nd} . 3 ayes.

Duke Summe asked the council about getting the back side of Marty Mountain mowed as well as the hill by Hole 18 at the disc golf course at Cutshall Park. The back hill is being overtaken by Cottonwood trees. Jake & Anthony will assess the areas about getting it mowed down.

Marshal Report: Justin was attending an Active Shooter course in Lafayette. Incident report for September 2024 was provided to the council for review. Rebecca informed the council that Justin will be at Akron Elementary on October 31st for Halloween Safety.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: 5 data log reports were completed. The lead service line inventory has been submitted to IDEM. Of the 488 service lines in town, 424 are not lead and 64 are unknown. The triennial IDEM inspection has been completed. No significant deficiencies were reported. Anthony & Jake will be attending the Alliance of Indiana Rural Water Fall Conference in Ft Wayne on October 23rd & 24th.

Sewer Dept: The 2 backup generators ran great during the town wide power outage on September 27th. The lagoons are no longer discharging due to low creek levels and turbidity in the water. We are working on replacing 2 valves at the lagoons to make them run more efficiently. The old Viking Dollar sewer line relining has been scheduled for November 4th.

Street Dept: The CCMG project is mostly complete. During the site review meeting on October 16th with Phend & Brown & BF&S, there were areas that needed attention before signoff for completion would happen. BF&S will provide a punch list to Phend & Brown to get done ASAP. Installation has started mounting sleeves for the additional radar signs. All radar signs should be up and running in the next 2 weeks.

Miscellaneous: The park restrooms will be closed once the temperature drops below freezing and remains consistent. Leaf pickup began today, October 21st and will run through December

2nd. As permits get approved from INDOT for the new welcome signs, we are pulling the old ones and taking to be scrapped.

Attorney Report: Rebecca provided documentation for Andy to file a small claim on a delinquent water bill.

Rebecca informed the council she would be out of the office October 22-24 for ILMCT Virtual District Meeting & SBOA Called Meeting.

Rich made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-21-2024 –2025 Budget as presented. Jim 2nd. 2 ayes. Tony abstained due to being a member of the Henry Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Rich made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-21-2024A-2025 Salary Ordinance as presented. Tony 2^{nd} . 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-21-2024B – Additional Appropriation as presented. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Resolution 10-21-2024 – Transfer of Appropriation as presented. Tony 2^{nd} . 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$452,057.71. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve the Payroll Allowance Docket for \$24,299.75. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, November 18, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 6:34 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim Saner, President

Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer