Akron Town Council Meeting January 13, 2025

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

Guest: Sign in sheet.

The meeting opened at 5:45 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rich made a motion for all positions to remain the same for 2025: Jim Saner, President, Rich Solano, Vice President and Tony Rameriz, Member. Tony 2nd 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion for Jake Gearhart to remain Town Superintendent. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion for Justin Gearhart to remain Town Marshal. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion for Andy Perkins to remain Town Attorney. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to keep Lake City Bank as the primary financial institution and Trust Indiana for investments. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2024 council meeting as presented. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 20, 2024 council meeting as presented. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 27, 2024 council meeting as presented. Rich 2^{nd} . 3 ayes.

Town Garage sale date was set for Saturday, May 17, 2025.

Akron Las Donas requested the use of the Downtown Park in 2025 for Live Entertainment. Rich made a motion to approve the use of the downtown park and wave any fees. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rebecca presented utility adjustment request for Studebaker, Kruger & Beattie. Rich made a motion to approve the adjustments as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rebecca presented the list of outstanding warrants for 2022. Rich made a motion to approve the list. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rebecca presented a list of 2025 Write-off for Utility Accounts. Jim made a motion to approve the list. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Marshal Report: Incident report for December 2024 was presented.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: We have received some feedback regarding the new cross connection ordinance. We have replaced 4 water meters this month. Sonoco's 4" water meter isn't reading and needs to be fixed. Utility Supply has been contacted to help resolve the issue.

Sewer Dept: Root cutting has been completed, and lines have been visually inspected. The old Viking Dollar sewer relining is complete. IDEM performed the Akron WWTP inspection on January 8, 2025. The inspection report was presented to the council for their review. Jake, Rebecca & Dan will respond in writing prior to February 9 regarding the deficiencies listed.

Street Dept: Snow and ice removal has gone well so far.

Miscellaneous: The new Bobcat Skid loader is scheduled to be delivered this week.

Attorney Report:

Ordinance 01-13-2025 – An Ordinance Creating Noise Control Regulations. The council discussed the ordinance but tabled a decision until the next meeting for Attorney Perkins to make some revisions.

Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$1,043,925.69. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, February 10, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim Saner, President

Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer