## Akron Town Council Meeting September 15, 2025

Present: Jim Saner, President; Tony Rameriz, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Gearhart, Marshal; 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.

Jim opened the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the 2026 proposed budget. Rebecca shared information regarding the budget figures. No comments were heard. Tony made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:01 p.m. Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

Tony made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 18, 2025 council meeting as presented. Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

Tony made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 22, 2025 council meeting as presented. Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve the utility adjustment request as presented. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve the contract with BF&S for assistance with the next CCMG call/project. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes. The application for the 2025 CCMG call opens October 1<sup>st</sup>. Deadline to submit the grant application is October 31, 2025.

Jim made a motion to approve the updates to the employee handbook as presented. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

**Marshal Report:** Incident report for August 2025 was presented. Justin completed training for SIDS & Suicide Prevention. Additional Ordinance Violations are being mailed. Trick or Treat will be on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6-8PM. Justin will present Halloween Safety to Akron Elementary Students on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Superintendent Report:**

Water Dept: 3 data log reports were completed. Work is in progress at both the North & South Water Towers. Currently battling issues with the transducer level reader on the South Water Tower.

**Sewer Dept:** The lagoons are currently shut down, awaiting delivery of chemicals. IDEM completed a CSO audit/Wastewater Inspection on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Flow Meters were calibrated on September 4<sup>th</sup> for the year.

**Street Dept:** We are meeting with BF&S on September 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss the proposed project for the CCMG grant. AR Tree Service is scheduled to begin removing trees on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Miscellaneous:** We have completed 22 locate tickets.

**Attorney Report:** Andy shared with the Council he will be attending a hearing on September 22<sup>nd</sup> for payment status update regarding Small Claims case.

Jim made a motion to approve Resolution 09-15-2025 – Transfer of Appropriations as presented. Tony  $2^{nd}$ . 2 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$168,767.18. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve the Payroll Allowance Docket for \$34,608.25. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, October 21, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2 ayes.

Jim Saner, President

Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer