

Akron Town Council Meeting

November 17, 2025

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice President; Tony Rameriz, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Gearhart, Marshal; Jake Gearhart, 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. regarding Fulton County Plan Commission Amendments. Heather Redinger, Executive Director spoke in detail about the proposed amendments. No public comments were made. Jim made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:06 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 20, 2025 council meeting as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

The council heard a request from Akron resident Paul Pyle about amending the livestock ordinance to allow raising meat rabbits in town limits. The council did not make any changes to the ordinance.

Mark Sullivan with Midwestern Engineers presented pay claims for the OCRA Water Project. Jim made a motion to approve the pay claims for: Midwest Engineers - \$36,020; Thomas Excavating – Division 1 - \$39,038.35 & Ascher-Division 3- \$15,770 as presented. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes. Mark presented a change order for R. Yoder Construction – Division 2 – (\$59,355). Rich made a motion to approve the reduction as presented. Jim 2nd. 2 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve the utility adjustment requests as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Marshal Report: Incident report for October 2025 was presented. Halloween went well with no issues. Justin attended mandatory training in Plymouth.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: The North Water Tower was put back into service today. The South Water Tower will be delayed and finished in the spring due to the weather conditions. The Water Main Installation is going well.

Sewer Dept: The lagoons are open and operating as they should be. Chemical treatment is done for the year and will resume in the spring. The wetlands burn off was a failure as it was too wet to burn. R&R Visual was in town on Nov 13th to do some root cutting in sewer mains.

Street Dept: Working on putting together some numbers for tree removal for potential paving project. Leaf pickup is going well. The Engine Brake Ordinance signs have been delivered. Waiting on INDOT to approve the permit for installation.

Miscellaneous: We have completed 16 locate tickets. The park restrooms will be open until the weather changes. The Sewer Vac will be going to Brown Equipment for an assessment and maintenance.

Attorney Report: Andy provided an update on the status of the small claims case.

Rich made a motion to approve Ordinance 11-17-2025 – 2026 Salary Ordinance as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Resolution 11-17-2025 – Transfer of Appropriations as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Resolution 11-17-2025A – Resolution of the Town of Akron to Adopt Amendments to the Fulton County Zone Ordinance.


Rich made a motion to approve Dockets for \$277,022.57. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

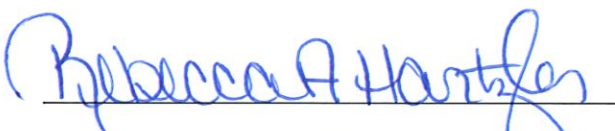
Rich made a motion to approve the Payroll Allowance Docket for \$23,149.25. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rebecca informed the council she received the 1782 Notice from the DLGF on Friday certifying the 2026 Budget. The 2026 budget was approved as submitted.

The next council meeting is Monday, December 15, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 7:11 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.


Jim Saner, President


Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer