Akron Town Council Meeting
August 24, 2026

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

Guests: See sign-in sheet.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rich made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2026, Council meeting as presented. Tony seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve Karen Kyler to the Akron BZA. Rich seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Ryan Adams to the Akron Library Board. Tony seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

Adam Wilcox with Baker Tilly presented the 2025 Financial Management Reports to the council.

Rebecca presented the RTC lease agreement termination document for the space occupied on the North water tower. With the installation of fiber complete, there is not need for the use of the equipment to be on the water tower.

Jim made a motion to approve CHA Consulting Agreement for Professional Services to assist with the Wastewater project. Rich seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve DC Construction Pay Claim #3 for the CCMG in the amount of $485,871.44. Tony seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

Marshal Report:
The July 2026 incident report was presented.

Superintendent Report:

Water Department: Work on the water plant has started. The filter tank is completely recoated, inside and out. Waiting for new filter media to be installed. Provided an update on the wells and SCADA system. We have repaired 2 water leaks over the last month. There is another one behind Viking Foods that we will be repairing in the coming days. The plan is to do another hydrant flushing as soon as all the water plant work is complete.

Sewer Department: The VFD for the blue frog fried up last week, working on getting prices for a replacement. The lagoons are open, we are not getting the flow out of it that we'd really like.

Street Department: The CCMG work is complete with no major concerns. We had the post construction meeting with Cory from BF&S and DC Construction to assess the work. There will be a short punch list created that DC will come back and tackle before final payment is issued.

Miscellaneous: We completed 18 locate tickets over the last month. Frontier line is still down, we have the road closed. We have not heard any updates from Frontier on when they will fix the downed line.

Rebecca informed the council she met with Becky Whitaker, Creative Benefit Solutions for the Insurance Renewal. We will remain with Anthem, HRI & Nippon as providers for employee insurance benefits.

Rich made a motion to approve the dockets in the amount of $425,084.49. Tony seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve the Payroll Allowance Docket in the amount of $23,768.30. Tony seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

The next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Rich seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes.

James R Saner

Jim Saner, President

Rebecca A. Hartzler

Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer