

Akron Town Council Meeting  
August 15, 2022

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice-President; Tony Ramirez, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Gearhart, Marshal; Aaron 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 6:00pm regarding Zoning Amendments to the Fulton County Zone Ordinance, Sub-Division Control Ordinance & Comprehensive Plan. Heather Redinger, Executive Director with Area Plan presented the information to those in attendance. No public comment was heard. Jim made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:06 p.m. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 18, 2022 council meeting as presented. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

Angela Madeford discussed with the council the installation of a ramp on the east side of her parent's (Abby & Gary Smith) residence at 518 E Rochester St. Jim made a motion to approve their request. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

David Bussard requested that the town provide fill dirt for the alley once his old garage is demolished. He will get with Aaron on when to drop it off.

Jim made a motion to appoint Juan Baca to another term on the Akron Carnegie Public Library. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

Rebecca presented the tentative timeline for the Wastewater Project provided from Commonwealth Engineers for IDEM. Rebecca will submit for compliance.

The council discussed items to include for the 2023 budget.

**Marshal Report:** Incident report for July 2022 was presented. Justin informed the council that 5 compression brake signs have arrived and need installed. Aaron is working with INDOT on installation. The radar sign from SR14 is back but still not working. Justin will be sending out local ordinance violation letters.

**Superintendent Report:**

**Water Dept:** We did 1 data logger report. Aaron & Jake are down to 4 weeks left of their classes. The Water Plant Scada System upgrade is scheduled for the week of the 15<sup>th</sup>. Rebecca & Aaron completed the 2021 Water Loss Audit and submitted to the Indiana Finance Authority. Currently working with Midwest Fabrication on the screens in the Filter at the Water Plant. Tentatively planning to flush fire hydrants, the week of September 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Sewer Dept:** The sink hole on South West Street has been repaired. A sewer line backed up north of Akron Concrete. Weed Septic will be here on the 18<sup>th</sup> to remove the root blockage.

**Street Dept:** Aaron met with Sam Knight to get quotes for the CCMG. Hilltop Tree Service will be here within the next few weeks to remove trees on North Mishawaka St.

**Miscellaneous:** We did a total of two 811 locates this month. The blower motor went out on the 2011 dump truck and had a leak in the front end that was repaired by Rochester Ford.

**Attorney Report:** Andy notified the council that a tort claims notice was received. An Executive Session for August 18, 2022 was called to discuss the notice. Andy & Justin spoke regarding the Licensing Fees associated with UTV's. Andy will draft an updated Ordinance for September's meeting. Jim made a motion to accept the Legal Representation Agreement from Peterson Waggoner & Perkins for 2023. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Resolution 08-15-2022-Transfer of Appropriations as presented. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Resolution 08-15-2022A-Appropriation Reduction as presented. Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

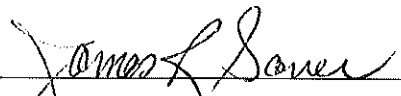
Jim made a motion to approve Resolution 08-15-2022B-Resolution of the Town of Akron to Adopt Amendments to the Fulton County Zone Ordinance, Sub-Division Control Ordinance & Comprehensive as presented. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

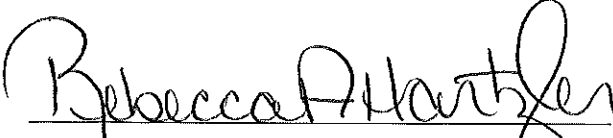
Jim made a motion to approve Ordinance 08-15-2022-An Ordinance Establishing a Policy for EFT & Online Banking as presented. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$132,260.86. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, September 19, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3 ayes.

  
Jim Saner, President

  
Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer