

Akron Town Council Meeting
January 20, 2020

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice-President; Brandon Slone, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Gearhart, Marshal, Aaron Gearhart, Superintendent; Jake Gearhart, Asst. Superintendent; Andy Perkins, Attorney; Leah Sanders; Media.

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 2020: Jim Saner, President, Rich Solano, Vice President and Brandon Slone, Member. Brandon 2nd 3 ayes.

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

Rich made a motion for Justin Gearhart to remain Town Marshall. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

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

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

Rich made a motion to set the meeting times and dates as the 3rd Monday at 6:00 p.m. except for March & June which will be the 4th Monday at 6:00 p.m. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2019 council meeting as presented. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Akron BZA Representatives David Leininger and Jose Manuel Ramirez are up for reappointments. Rich made the motion to reappointment David & Jose for another term. Brandon 2nd 3 ayes. Rebecca will notify Casi Cowles of the reappointments.

Jim Bucher expressed parking concerns along North Center Street during school drop-off & dismissal. Justin will send letters to notify residents that parking along North Center Street is only allowed on Sundays & Holidays.

Town Garage sale date was set for Saturday, May 16, 2020.

Marshal Report: Incident report for December 2019 was presented. Justin attended an active shooter training in Indianapolis on December 18th & 19th. He Another round of Town Ordinance violation letters for pallets, trash, and vehicles will be sent out. St Rd 14 North speed limit has been changed. People are abiding well. Dual Band Handheld Radio quote from Cops Gear is \$6904.00. Rich made the motion to approve the dual band handheld radios from Cops Gear for

\$6904.00 Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes. Deputy Marshal position has 7 applications, 6 interviews, one of the applicants would not return a call. Physical assessment will be done on a Saturday in the coming weeks. A 2nd round of interviews will be done with council member, Brandon. A waiver will be signed by all applicants before completing the physical assessment.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: Filter tank at the water plant has been fixed and working properly.

Aaron has everything ready for ME Simpson to complete the calibration on the effluent meter at the water plant. The quote for ME Simpson for \$1,250.00. Rich made a motion to approve the quote for \$1,250.00 Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes. We have fixed six curb stops this past month.

Sewer Dept: Update on the lagoons. We have had two backed up sewer lines this month. Flow meters at CW are working. All up and running except 1. IDEM was here on December 16th for our wastewater plant inspection. Aaron worked with Dan Fox and Rebecca on our response letter to IDEM regarding our wastewater inspection. New easement for lagoon discharge point. Sewer Jetter Nozzle quote. Rich made the motion to approve the purchase for up to \$1250.00 Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes. Lake study quote. 1998/1999 was the last study. Dan Fox would like to see the lake study done in the spring/summer. Discussion monitoring Industrials contributions to sewer.

Street Dept: All catch basins cleaned for the year. Grant update for the trail extension along Rural Street. NICF grant application was submitted January 6, 2020. We should be notified in April if we receive the grant.

Miscellaneous: The new generator at town hall is up and running. The old generator has been removed from the building. We had issues with the pressure sensor on the furnace at town hall that has been resolved. Roof patching on Town Hall is complete.

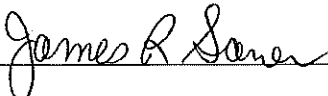
Attorney Andy Perkins: Easement update – Title Search is complete.


Resolution 01-20-2020 – Rainy Day Transfer – Jim made the motion to approve the transfer of \$7,455.00. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to approve Dockets for \$189,713.50 Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, February 17, 2020 @ 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