

Akron Town Council Meeting
March 15, 2021

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

Guest: Sign in sheet.

The meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 15, 2021 council meeting as presented. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 3, 2021 council meeting as presented. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Business:

Lisa Hill discussed with the council her idea of a 24/7 Food Pantry. The council asked that she find a location in town for the food pantry cabinet by the April council meeting. They asked her to report back, and a final decision would be made at that time.

Dilly's Annual Tax Abatement Form CF-1 was presented for approval. Rich made a motion to approve the tax abatement. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Title VI Implementation Plan Update was presented for approval. Jim made a motion to approve the update. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Marshal Report: Incident report for February 2021 was presented. Discussed hiring a full-time Deputy Marshal and will begin accepting applications in April, hold interviews in May and hire by June hopefully. Justin is working to gather quotes for a 2nd vehicle which will be needed once a deputy is hired. The conditions at the Akron Trailer Park were discussed. Justin will schedule a meeting with Casi Cowles, Area Plan Commission to discuss the property.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: We did 2 data logger reports. Aaron spoke with Phil at National Water and they will be performing well inspection and flow test the first of April. The chlorine pump was rebuilt due to not pumping the right amount of flow. Tested for IOC, VOC, Nitrates and monthly bacteria sample. These are all annual test required by IDEM.

Sewer Dept: We had 2 backed up sewers this month. We had Weed Septic come and cut roots in the 400 block of East Rochester St. Getting a quote for additional root cutting in the sewer system. We had a backed-up sewer at 607 E Walnut St. R&R Visual came and inspected the sewer to pinpoint the issue so we did not tear up the new road just paved. Working with Flow Technics on LS Controls. Working with Banner Electric on motor and 3 phase upgrades at lift stations. 206 N State Road 14 is now connected to town sewer. A small bridge was built at the constructed wetlands to safely gain access to the effluent.

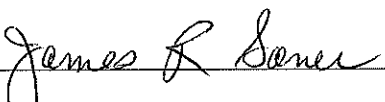
Street Dept: We will be patching potholes as soon as the asphalt plant reopens for the season. Working on the downtown streetlights and had to replace a broke globe damaged this winter. The streets have been swept to get rid of the winter debris.

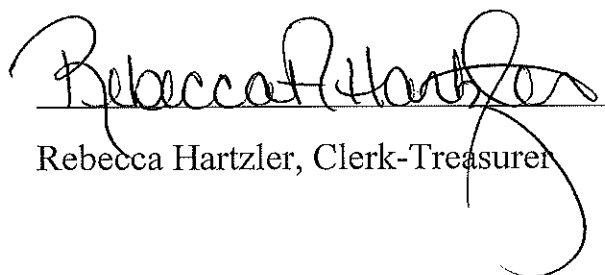
Miscellaneous: We did a total of six 811 locates this month. The new Bobcat Mower has been delivered. Pike Memorial Park & Downtown Park have been cleaned up. The restrooms at Pike Memorial Park are scheduled to open on April 1st. Working to obtain quotes for resealing the trails at Pike Memorial Park & Cutshall Park.

Jim made a motion to approve Dockets for \$108,700.53. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, April 19, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.


Jim Saner, President


Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer