

Akron Town Council Meeting

May 16, 2022

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice-President; Tony Rameriz, 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.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 18, 2022 council meeting as presented. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

Emma Craig presented to the council the idea to allow artist to paint the fire hydrants around the community. The council asked her to gather additional information and bring it back to the June meeting for further discussion.

The employee handbook draft was discussed further. Attorney Perkins will review before June meeting and will share his thoughts at the upcoming meeting.

Marshal Report: Incident report for April 2022 was presented. Justin informed the council he will be working on the shooting range to make safety modifications. He has sent out ordinance violation letters for tall grass and junk vehicles. He assisted Akron Elementary School with their safety relocation drill. Make the compression break signage larger. Possibly placing on the radar sign. Will contact INDOT and make sure it's allowable. Recommended to amend the Salary Ordinance to increase the part-time hourly wage to higher experienced officers to help with coverage. Rebecca will present the Ordinance at the June meeting. The radar sign on SR14 that's not been working was determined to be a fuse issue. ElanCity will be sending fuses to repair.

Superintendent Report:

Water Dept: We did 2 data logger reports. The ladder for the filter tank should be completed and installed within the next week. Assisted Midwest Fabrication on a new water connection at their location on South Mishawaka St. Working to obtain quotes for the South Water Tower painting & inspection for North Water Tower. Jake & Aaron are finishing up their 2nd semester of their apprenticeship program with Alliance of Indiana Rural Water. Quotes to upgrade controls at the Water Treatment Plant were presented. Jim made a motion to approve the quote from Peerless Midwest for \$34,980. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Sewer Dept: The new shed has been installed at the lagoons. The Scout Survey is scheduled for the 1st week of June. Cleaned LS#1 and East CDS unit.

Street Dept: CCMG paving project is scheduled to begin within the next couple weeks. Street sweeping has been done throughout town. A quote to remove dead street trees around town was presented from Hilltop Tree Service. Jim made a motion to approve the quote from Hilltop not to exceed \$7,250.00 as presented. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Miscellaneous: We did a total of four 811 locates this month. The upgrades to the EMS room are complete. The gutter repair at the Maintenance barn in complete. The Alliance of Indiana Rural Water Northern Expo will be held at Pike Memorial Park on Thursday, May 26th. The electrical and landscape upgrades at the downtown park are complete.

Attorney Report: Body Cam Policy Resolution will be presented at the June meeting.

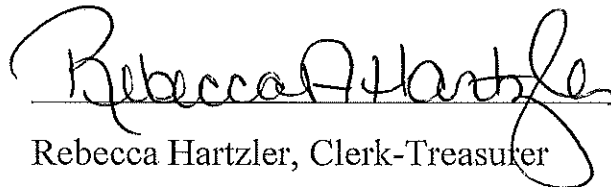
Rich made a motion to approve Dockets for \$158,341.29. Tony 2nd. 3 ayes.

The next council meeting is Monday, June 20, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.



Jim Saner, President



Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer