

Akron Town Council Meeting September 16, 2019

Present: Jim Saner, President; Rich Solano, Vice-President; Brandon Slone, Member; Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Gearhart, Marshal

The meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The public hearing on the 2020 proposed budget was opened & no public comment was heard. Proposed budget is \$681,368. Brandon made a motion to close the Public hearing. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes Meeting was closed at 6:04 p.m.

Brandon made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2019 meeting as written. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.

Casi Cowles, Executive Director of the Fulton County Plan Commission spoke about the process of changing town zoning ordinances. The Area Plan Commission will meet on Monday, September 23rd to discuss updating the zoning for bodies of water within Akron town limits. The plan commission will provide their recommendations for possible approval by the Town Board at the October 21st Town Council Meeting.

Rod & Angie Conner and Mark Cox spoke about standing water on State Road 14 after large rain events. Mark Cox has made multiple phone calls to INDOT regarding the issue. Rich contacted an INDOT representative to express concern about the standing water on SR14. The issue started a few years ago when INDOT resurfaced SR 14. The residents also expressed concern with the speed limit on SR14. Mark Cox and Rebecca both contacted an INDOT representative to discuss changing the speed limit on SR 14 in the residential area. Rebecca was informed it could be up to 3 months before we hear from anyone at INDOT.

Justin's Report: Incident report was presented. Justin informed the council that many ordinance violation notifications were mailed to residents. Trick or Treat date and time is set for Thursday, October 31st from 6-8 PM. He will conduct a Halloween safety presentation at Akron Elementary on Tuesday, October 29th for grades K-3. He will also be assisting the fire department during fire prevention week at Akron Elementary on Thursday, October 10th.

Shanna Hughes–Emmons with JMS Insurance Group presented quotes for the town insurance. Rich made a motion to accept JMS insurance if not to exceed more than 110 percent of the quote provided pending a few items added for coverage. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Superintendent report given by Rebecca: Leaf pick up will take place between October 14th & November 29th. Rain gauge quotes were presented from Madge Tech & Gripp. The current rain

gauge is not working so we are renting a device from Gripp until we can get a new rain gauge system.

Rich made a motion to accept the Madge Tech bid of \$718.00. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Jim informed the council that he spoke with a local businessman about obtaining additional Blue Frogs that are not currently being used to place in the lagoons. Since Aaron was unable to attend the meeting, Jim will follow-up with him to discuss how many blue frogs we would possibly need for the lagoons.

Andy Perkins, Town Attorney spoke with Matthew Clark, Verizon Attorney. It was agreed that Verizon will pay for the meter and separate electric services at the tower. Verizon will agree to pay additional rent any additional equipment is added to the tower. Rich made a motion to authorize the Town Attorney to amend the language in the Verizon contract. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Resolution 09-16-2019 – Appropriation Reduction was read. Rich made a motion to approve the resolution. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

Resolution 09-16-2019A – Transfer of Appropriations was read. Rich made a motion to approve the resolution. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

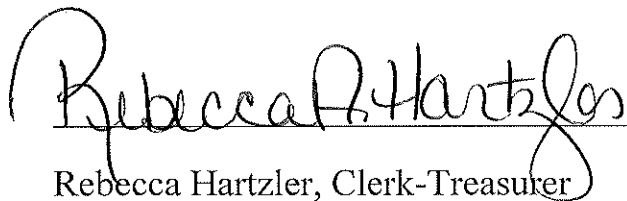
Rich made a motion to approve the Dockets for \$116,173.95. Brandon 2nd. 3 ayes.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 21, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Rich 2nd. 3 ayes.



Jim Saner, President



Rebecca Hartzler, Clerk-Treasurer