

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

A **regular meeting** of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Akron was held **Monday, March 5th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Akron Town Hall in full conformance with the laws and ordinances of said Town.

Mayor George Reese opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance with Trustees Nancy Lightle, Harry Slusser, Susan Watson, Jacque Hayes, Andy Bowin and Brittani Kusel in attendance. Also in attendance were; Town Attorney Dennis Brandenburg, Public Works Director Shane Watson, Town Clerk/Administrator Dencia Raish, and Akron News Reporter Joanne Busing. Others in attendance included Washington County Sheriff Jon Stivers, Commissioner Terry Hart, Candidates for the 2018 municipal election and Gary Brott.

Approval of Minutes

The Council reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 5, 2018. A motion was made by Nancy Lightle to approve the minutes, seconded by Susan Watson; Andy Bowin and Jacque Hayes abstained due to no attendance, all other votes were yes, motion passed.

Approval of February Bills

Dencia Raish presented the February bills list. After review, Nancy Lightle moved to approve presented bills for payment. Jacque Hayes seconded the motion; all other votes were yes.

Airport Report

Colorado Plains Regional Airport Manager Randy Hayes reported that the master plan is being reviewed by the FAA. Randy encouraged the Council to visit the airport and learn about what is happening at the Town's airport.

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Jon Stivers was not in attendance, and no report was given. Dencia provided the Trustees with the documentation for the February incidents and citation for Akron.

The agenda did list a review for liquor license transfer from the Amethyst to La Cabana Del Amigo but was not review as paperwork has not been completed to initiate the transfer.

County Report

Commissioner Terry Hart was in attendance and reported from the County. The Commissioners have accepted the contracts for the nursing home admin building and parking lot. Once those projects are complete, the County will proceed to work on curb and gutter for 4th St. Terry inquired about the status of 4th Street from the Town's perspective. Shane Watson reported that once the weather is nice, the Town will be replacing the pan at 4th and Fremont. There was some discussion also on the drainage by the turn into the nursing home on 4th St, closer to Pioneer Haven.

Terry reported that the Northeastern Colorado Health Dept is interested in leasing the old clinic building on Adams. Terry reported that Deb Daniels, General Manager for the Republican River Water Conservation District, had given the County an informative presentation about the boundary lines of the Republican River. The State is considering moving the line. In the past Akron has not be considered within the boundary of the Republican River District, in the future, it may. If Akron wells become part of the boundary, there will be a financial implication for the Town of Akron. Dencia said that Deb had stopped by the office and they will be meeting to get an understanding of what is happening with more to report at the next meeting. The recommendation was for Dencia to contact Forrest Leaf, Water Resource Engineer, who has assisted Akron in the past.

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Public Invited To Be Heard

Gary Brott was present to share his concern and gather information about the Town providing water to his neighbor, Braden Brent at 482 De Nova Dr. Gary wanted the Council impression of Mr. Brent's intentions for the property, and to convey his displeasure with the condition of the property. He reported that the Town should not be providing water for livestock as it currently is. Gary also inquired about a 2 or 3-mile buffer that exists between the Town and County on the city limit border.

Town Attorney, Dennis Brandenburg, shared that Mr. Brent annexed the property in with the intention to build a home. A notice of ordinance violation was issued to Mr. Brent for the animal count being too high on a property zoned Ranchette. He is currently working toward acquiring a personal well on his county property for his livestock. He is also working to reduce the number of livestock to come into compliance with the Zoning requirements. The water provided to the annexed area is for municipal purposes.

Other members of the public in the meeting were the 2018 Mayoral and Trustee candidates. No candidates had anything to share with the Council. Derek Glosson, one Council candidate, suggested that the mile buffer zone between Akron and Washington County may be in an IGA.

Review Sun Country Annexation Request

After an investigation by Dencia Raish, Anne Korbe of Leibert McAtee, and Dennis Brandenburg, the town boundary for the Eastside is the line defined in the 1887 Incorporation for the Town of Akron. That boundary means that Sun Country will annex in less than 4 acres.

Review Liquor Fee Schedule

Dencia presented a State issued liquor enforcement fee schedule. Dencia reported that the fees last set by the Council and used in the past are irrelevant. Dennis Brandenburg said that he would create a resolution for the next meeting to follow the State issued fee schedule.

Council, Committee, and Staff Reports

Public Works Director Shane Watson reported that Water Supervisor, Steve Vasquez had attended a Colorado Rural Water Conference in February and taken classes to maintain his water certification. Shane has received 3-4 bids from contractors to clean and check water reservoir and will determine the provider in March. Shane is aware of the building potholes in town from winter. As soon as he can schedule asphalt delivery, he will begin to repair potholes.

Harry Slusser asked Shane if he had made any progress on creating the Adams Ave. Addition north of 8th St. Shane responded that he had not made any plans as there are no plans for development in the area.

Brittani Kusel asked Shane about prior discussions of building an alley between 1st and 2nd Street from Gum to potentially Elm Ave. She reported that she had a situation where she was driving westbound on 1st and found herself behind the trash truck where the guys are stopping, and she was concerned for their safety. Dencia, Shane, and other Trustees discussed what they remembered of previous conversations. Council asked to find out where that situation was left and how we pick it back up and complete.

Town Clerk Dencia Raish presented the sales tax and financial reports for February. Dencia reported that she watches the financial statement and balances of the Town, she is not sure why certain balances are in certain areas. She has set a goal for 2018 to understand what money is where and for what purpose.

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Dencia Reported that she had her 3rd loss control audit with CIRSA. This audit reviews trainings, policies, and best practices. Dencia intends to review and update items as necessary. Dencia reported that the CML conference is June 19th – 22nd in Vail. Dencia will need trustees to commit by the first week of April. The Variance Board met and approved the new location for the Verizon Tower. Dennis Brandenburg explained the specific. A motion was made to approve the Variance Boards approval by Brittani Kusel seconded by Andy Bowin; Nancy Lightle abstained due to employment competition, all other votes were yes, motion passed.

Dennis reported that he had found examples from other Towns in regards to curfews for Parks. Brittani pointed out that the Town does have a curfew for the Town, Akron Municipal Code 6-6-8 unlawful for minors under the age of 18 to be out in public areas from 12 am – 5 am without direct adult supervision. Park hours are listed in Akron Municipal Code 8-8-4. Open hours for the parks are from 5 am to 9 pm or 11 pm depending on which park. Dennis recommends that the Town install signs at the parks with rules listed to be enforced. Dencia asked for clarification for the Roadside Park. It is not uncommon to see people camp in that area in the summer. Council is recommending posting the signs, stating that camping is permissible by permit, and allowing for officer discretion at the Roadside Park.

Dennis reported that Akron Municipal Court is having trouble with juvenile offenders following through with their Useful Public Service (UPS) assigned at sentencing. Dennis found an example from another town that a parent can be responsible for a juvenile appearance and follow through for court. Council asked Dennis to draft an ordinance for review that makes a parent or guardian responsible

Jacque Hayes and Brittani Kusel reported that they had met with Johnson Controls to discuss security/camera options for the parks. More information to come

Adjournment

There being no further business, Brittani Kusel moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm. With no objections, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Dencia Raish, CMC
Town Clerk/Administrator

George Reese, Mayor