

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Board of Trustees for the Town of Akron held a **Regular Meeting** on **Monday, August 5th, 2019** at **7:00 p.m.** at the Akron Town Hall in full conformance with the laws and ordinances of said Town.

Mayor Brittani Kusel opened the meeting at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

TRUSTEE PRESENT:	Scott Porteus	Susan Watson
	Derek Glosson	Jacque Hayes
	Harry Slusser	Danielle Woods

TRUSTEE ABSENT:

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Matthew Richardson, Pre-appointed Town Attorney
Dencia Raish, Town Clerk/ Administrator
Shane Watson, Public Works Director
Kilee Randel, Akron Pool Manager

OTHER IN ATTENDANCE:

Joanne Busing - Akron News Reporter, Tony Wells – Washington Council Commissioner, Randy Hayes – Airport, Tim Hintz – AMKO Advisors, and five members of the public.

Approval of Minutes 7/1/19

The Council reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 1st, 2019. Derek Glosson asked to correct the record to read Westin Ridge Estate instead of Westin Ridge Estate Annexation in ordinance 560. With the correction a motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the minutes, seconded by Jacque Hayes; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes 7/15/19

The Council reviewed the minutes of the special work session meeting held on July 15th, 2019. A motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the minutes, seconded by Jacque Hayes; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Approval of July Bills

Dencia Raish presented the July bills list. A motion was made to approve the bills as presented, by Derek Glosson seconded by Jacque Hayes; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Airport Report

FBO operator Randy Hayes reported that the ASOS project is scheduled to begin August 26th. He also reported that the Master Plan is still in the works; it is currently with the FAA reviewer. Dencia presented the grant award letter from the Colorado Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics. A motion was made by Susan Watson to sign the resolution and approve the grant awarded by the State. Jacque Hayes seconded the motion; all votes were yes, motion passed. Dencia then presented the performance bond and contract with Electrical Excellence to perform the ASOS relocation. A motion was made to sign the contract and attached documents by Derek Glosson, seconded by Jacque Hayes, all votes were yes, motion passed.

Sheriff Report

Undersheriff Furrow submitted a written report for the July meeting. It reported 40 incidents with 20 citations written in July. The letter reported a concern with recent code enforcement reporting practices by Town Hall Staff. Dencia reported that she was unaware of any issues; the Sheriff's Office had not mentioned anything to her. Dencia will follow up with Undersheriff Furrow.

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County Report

Tony reported that a CDOT survey is available for people to report on the conditions of local highways. Tony Wells reported that the 2019 Eastern Colorado Roundup was a successful event. There will be an after-action planning meeting at the end of the month to review. There were over 29,000 carnival tickets sold, and over 1,300 tickets sold for the night show on Saturday. Tony reported that Lexin Brent did a great job maintaining the mechanics of the carnival rides. Tony also reviewed the cost of the ECR.

Akron Pool Report

Akron pool manager, Kilee Randel, reported information about a successful July. An additional swim lesson session was added and had great attendance. She said that she would report statistics to the Council after the year was complete. Approximately 100 participants were at the Elks free swim sponsorship on July 20th, and the same numbers were at the night swim for a \$1 offered during fair. The last day for the public to swim will be August 18th. The open swim time will be adjusted 8/12-8/18 for high school sports practice, 11 am – 3 pm. All employees will be reporting on August 25th to clean the pool house and close it for winter. Council again thanked Kilee and the guards for a safe, professional, impressive year of fun and swimming.

Tim Hintz – AMKO

AMKO is a company that assists small towns with bond issuance. He presented that the Town of Akron could potentially save \$200,000 - \$250,000 on their current loan for the WWTP from the USDA. The savings would be realized over the term of 26 years or less. Mr. Hintz would like the opportunity to explore options with the Town of Akron. Matt Richardson asked if a TABOR election question should be posed to the citizens. Mr. Hintz said that TABOR does not apply due to the refinance is an adjustment in the interest rate with term bonds. Council asked Dencia to call the references and see how things had worked with other towns/cities.

Public Invited to be Heard

Ariella Gonzales attended the meeting for clarification on the ticket she has received for her trailers parked on the street in front of her house. She asked Council to consider finding a solution for citizens that have trailers but do not have the room on their property to park off the street. Derek asked Matt Richardson to continue her court case until Council has reviewed the trailer parking more thoroughly.

Jerod Burns Also appeared before Council to inquire about parking his small flatbed trailer in front of his house. His trailer was moved to a temporary location, but he needs a long term solution. He expressed a dilemma with wanting to follow the law but struggling because the law has not been enforced in a very long time.

Don Kennedy asked the Council if he could lease the Town's grass property when the old sewer ponds were located. He said that he had held a lease on it 40 years ago with the ASCS office. Council asked Dencia to find more information on the property and report later.

Rick Baker approached Council as a board member of the Washington County Museum and asked if the Town would have any objections to new signage pointing out the location of the museum. Susan Watson told Rick that Chamber has also been considering location signs. She asked Rick to join them at the next meeting.

Second Reading – Ordinance 560 – Disconnect 24437 CR 41, Steve Diamond

It was pointed out that the legal description should read Westin Ridge Estates. With that correction a motion was made to approve the second reading of Ordinance 560 by Harry Slusser, seconded by Derek Glosson; all votes were yes, motion passed.

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Amendment to Animal Code – First Reading Ordinance 561

Derek Glosson, Scott Porteus, and Matt Richardson have been working on expanding and clarifying animal regulations. They are building an ordinance that would allow specific additional animals, under specific terms, by special use permit application for residence in Akron. Council discussed the number of animals on the first addition and reduced some numbers and classifications. The ordinance allows for anyone within Akron (regardless of zoning) to apply for a permit if they have two or more contiguous acres and may apply for up to five animal units. From the first edition, the following items were removed: un-weaned calf, weaned lamb/yearling, and weaned young llama to yearling. From the first edition, the following animal units were changed: goats from .15 to .33, elk from .5 to 1.0, alpaca from .25 to .5, ostriches, emus & rheas from .20 to .5. Paragraphs F and G talking about licensing renewal and specific animal non-transfer were removed. With the corrections a motion was made to approve the first reading as amended was made by Harry Slusser, seconded by Derek Glosson; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Special Use Animal Permit – Jennifer Caldwell

Brittani Kusel requested this permit be placed back on the agenda due to additional information being presented after the initial votes for the permit on June 3rd. Brittani asked if there were any additional questions for Jennifer, hearing none a motion was made by Harry Slusser to approve the permit request for Bay, the American mini pig. Jacque Hayes seconded the motion pointing out that her second was for Bay alone. All trustees voted yes, some explaining their change of vote from the previous meeting, motion passed.

Parking Ticket Fine Review

Matt Richardson pointed out to Council that parking tickets for trailers have been written into Municipal Court as summons as there is not a defined fine for the infraction. Matt suggested to Council to align the cost of trailer parking tickets 7-3-3 with the cost of truck parking tickets of 7-1-3 for \$150.00. Assessing a fine would allow cited citizens the opportunity to pay directly instead of appearing in court. A motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the aligned fees, seconded by Susan Watson; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Dolittle's License Status Report

Dencia Raish reported to Council that she had mailed a certified letter to Alicia Johansen, operator of Dolittle's. The letter requested she surrender her license because she no longer held a lease in the bar that was Dolittle's. If the surrender documents were not returned by 8/5/19, then a liquor hearing would be scheduled with the local authority for 8/16/19. Matt Richardson has a conflict with that date, so the new hearing was scheduled for 8/26/19 at 6:30.

Council, Committee, and Staff Reports

Public Works Director Shane Watson reported the department has been very busy this summer. He and Derek have met since the last meeting about the Stallings subdivision and discussed the road. They have found out since the meeting that Claudia Stallings has passed and there is no other information at this time. Derek asked if building permits will be issued to build homes before a road is put in. Matt is going to look at the previous records and see what is happening.

Dencia submitted a written report for July discussing: 1) Fall District CML Meeting 9/19 2) Hank Hillyer's complaint on a neighbors shipping containers. There was some discussion, and the Council asked Matt to research what other communities have done legislatively. 3) RFB for lease-purchase details for a new trash truck 5) Akron pond update, specifically that the ACOE has approved our jurisdictional wetland determination, this allows for FIF grant money to come available. Derek and Dencia are completing a bid packet to send to contractors to secure the work needed.

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Matt Richardson reported that he has attempted to contact the attorneys representing the Marjorie Brandon Estate to no avail. He will continue to reach out until he hears back. Matt spoke briefly about interactions on social media. He advised that if negative comments are posted online, we are not to engage in any fashion. It is best to leave it alone.

Derek Glosson's reported expanded the details on the Army Corps report.

Susan Watson updated the Council on Chamber happenings.

Harry Slusser thanked Derek, Scott, and Matt for the extra time they had invested in working on the animal ordinance.

Jacque Hayes reported that Perk up the Park is hosting a movie night at the city park on August 13th in the early evening. She reported will be many vendors and activities for everyone to enjoy.

Brittani Kusel reported that she intends to continue working on appointed employee reviews. She would like this done before the budget season as it may affect raises. She asked Dencia for an example of reviews completed in 2018.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Jacque Hayes moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 pm. With no objections, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Dencia Raish, CMC, Town Clerk Administrator

Brittani Kusel, Mayor