

The Board of Trustees for the Town of Akron held a **Regular Meeting** on **Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 7:00 pm.**

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

**TRUSTEE ABSENT:** Jacque Hayes

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Matthew Richardson, Town Attorney  
Dencia Raish, Town Clerk/ Administrator

**OTHER IN ATTENDANCE:**

Joanne Busing - Akron News Reporter, Tony Wells – Washington Council Commissioner, Randy Hayes – Colorado Plains Regional Airport, and Jon Stivers – Washington County Sheriff

**Approval of Minutes 10/07/19**

The Council reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 7th, 2019. A correction for the month stated was pointed out in Derek Glosson's report. A motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the minutes, seconded by Susan Watson; all other votes were yes, motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes 10/7/19**

A motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the minutes with the change, seconded by Scott Porteus; all votes were yes, Harry abstained due to absence, motion passed.

**Approval of October Bills**

Dencia Raish presented the October bills list. Repetitive entries were pointed out due to re-issued checks. A motion was made to approve the bills as presented by **Scott Porteus** seconded by **Derek Glosson**; all votes were yes, motion passed.

**Airport Report**

FBO operator Randy Hayes still waiting on redline revisions of the Master Plan. Randy reported that he had a good discussion with the Feds, State, and Aviation about the Capital Improvement Plan for the airport. Randy believes that the upcoming Master Plan will have an attainable CIP. Some of the projects include expanding the ramp which will lead to the new terminal building that is desperately needed. There was discussion between the parties present of the importance of a new terminal building. The group discussed potentially that the State could finance a 1/3 and Feds 1/3, leaving a 1/3 of the cost to Akron. Randy reminded Council that the CIP is not set in stone, but more of a wishlist. Projects do not have to be completed as drawn-out, but no project can be considered without being on the list. Randy informed the Council that the Airport Development Committee has been discussing new signage for the airport.

**Sheriff Report**

Sheriff Jon Stivers was in attendance and reported 42 incidents with eight citations written in October. Citation numbers are down because patrolmen are busy doing reports. In October, dispatch handled 127 total calls for Akron, while the county had 508 calls. Stivers reported that his

deputies have been patrolling the Event Center during functions when they can. If there are issues they will give one warning to turn it down. Further discussion continued on ways to control the noise at the Event Center.

Brittani inquired about continued complaints about Gary Brandon's goats. Council had passed a special animal permit process on September 9<sup>th</sup>, and as of today, Gary had not attained a permit from the Town. Council recommended that enough time has passed for him to attain a permit, and it seem that he was not going to. Stivers expressed his desire for the original ticket to have been prosecuted but agreed that a new ticket would be issued.

### **Special Event Akron Elks 12/7/19**

Dencia Raish presented a Special Event application from the Akron Elks for a Christmas party at the Event Center on 12/07/19. Sheriff Stivers reported no objections in issuing the license. A motion was made to issue the license by **Susan Watson**, seconded by **Derek Glosson**; all votes were yes, motion passed.

### **Special Event Tablesetters 2/8/20**

Dencia Raish presented a Special Event application from the Akron Tablesetters for their annual fundraiser at the Event Center on 2/08/20. Sheriff Stivers reported no objections in issuing the license. A motion was made to issue the license by **Derek Glosson**, seconded by **Scott Porteus**; all votes were yes, motion passed.

### **County Report**

Commissioner Tony Wells was in attendance and reported a Colorado Counties Incorporated, CCI winter conference will be in December. He also reported on the growth of the importance of behavioral health for inmates, the large gross profits of hemp production, and other County discussions.

### **Public Invited To Be Heard**

No public was in attendance.

### **First Reading – Ordinance 563 – Repeal & Replace 11-7-A Regulating Travel Trailer**

Redline recommendations had been made to Matt's initial attempt for the revised ordinance 563. Matt agreed with the redline recommendations. Council discussed a few further details. A motion was made to approve the redline corrections for the first reading of Ordinance 563 by Derek Glosson, seconded by Scott Porteus; all votes were yes, motion passed.

### **First Reading – Ordinance 564 – Correction for Uniformity of Animal Units in Code**

This ordinance cleans up ranchette animal units to match the units listed in Ordinance 559. A motion was made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 564 by Derek Glosson, seconded by Susan Watson; all votes were yes, motion passed.

### **First Reading – Ordinance 565 – Repeal & Replace 7-3-3 Governing Parking on Residential Streets**

Redline recommendations had been made to Matt's initial attempt for the revised ordinance 565. Matt agreed with the redline recommendations. A motion was made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 565, as presented by Derek Glosson, seconded by Scott; all votes were yes, motion passed.

**TVI Investment Approval to Set up Account**

Dencia presented Council with detailed information on her investigations into an investment firm she has been talking with for some time. Dencia requested Council's permission to set up an account and not investing funds at this time with TVI Investments. Matt Richardson had reviewed the contract and found a couple of issues he pointed out about attorney fees and litigation options. Council asked a few other questions. Council asked Dencia to have her TVI contact visit for a greater understanding before creating an account.

**Review 2020 Budget**

Dencia reported no changes to the budget since the report in October. She and Brittani Kusel met once and agreed that a rate increase is not necessary for 2020. Dencia intends to edit categories for the budget to make it easier for the Council to understand. Salaries will be discussed during an executive session at the end of the meeting. No action was taken.

**Resolution 19-003 Election Question**

Matt Richardson reminded Council of the TABOR limitation of 5.5% increase in property tax revenues. The limitation will affect the 2020 budget for Akron. If Akron wants to retain excess beyond 5.5% limitation a ballot question must be asked in April. Matt presented ballot language for Council's approval. Trustee Glosson inquired if the School District and County in the same shoes? A vote for the resolution was tabled to check with County and School district.

**2020 Audit Agreement**

Town of Akron auditor David Kauffman with Liittjohann, Kauffman, and Pederson submitted an audit agreement for 2020 for the cost of \$9,000.00. A motion was made to accept the 2020 audit agreement by Harry Slusser, seconded by Derek Glosson; all votes were yes, motion passed.

**Council, Committee, and Staff Reports**

Public Works Director Shane Watson submitted a written report including information on winterizing, moving eastern town limit sign, and updating the meter reading program. To effect the speed limit east of town a speed study must be conducted. Brittani asked Matt to create a written request for a CDOT speed study. At least Itea to DD, but best choice would be through town as well.

Town Clerk/Administrator Dencia Raish submitted a written report with information on digital personal identification technology, inquiry for Viaero Tower to be located at town shop, and an inquiry about requesting a Special Animal Use Permit.

No library reports were submitted as no meeting was held in October due to weather.

Matt Richardson had nothing new to report to the Council.

Susan Watson delivered a Chamber report. The Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 5th, and the theme is Christmas Movies. Chamber is promoting shopping locally by submitting receipts to win a turkey and ham every week in November. In December, there is a shop local promotion to win chamber bucks for receipts.

Derek Glosson reported attending a told CML Policy Council meeting in October. He reported changes for fire and police pensions. Akron's volunteer fire pension rules would not be subject to potential changes.

With no other reports given, a motion to dismiss the regular meeting for an executive session for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(2)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees. The session is to discuss budget salary recommendations. The motion was made at 8:50 p.m. by Derek Glosson, seconded by Harry Slusser; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Council returned to the regular meeting at 9:25 p.m. Further discussion continued in terms of raise potential for employees. Scott Porteus motioned for a 2.5% increase to all full-time employees other than Dencia Raish & Shane Watson for 2020; the second was made by Susan Watson; all votes were yes, motion passed. Brittani Kusel recommended a 10% increase to the salaries of Dencia Raish and Shane Watson for the 2020 budget. A motion was made for that increase by Harry Slusser, seconded by Derek Glosson, Susan Watson abstained as wife of Shane Watson, all other votes were yes, motion passed.

Derek Glosson motioned to dismiss into the next scheduled executive session for a conference with the Town Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(h). Regarding legal advice, re YW certificate of occupancy. Scott Porteus seconded the motion; all votes were yes, motion passed at 9:29 p.m.

Council returned to the regular meeting at 9:39 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Harry Slusser moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm. With no objections, motion carried.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Dencia Raish, CMC, Town Clerk Administrator

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Brittani Kusel, Mayor