

The Board of Trustees for the Town of Akron held a **Regular Meeting** on **Monday, October 7th, 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
Jacque Hayes

TRUSTEE ABSENT: Danielle Woods

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Matthew Richardson, Town Attorney
Dencia Raish, Town Clerk/ Administrator
Shane Watson, Public Works Director

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 9/9/19

The Council reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9th, 2019. A motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the minutes, seconded by Susan Watson; Jacque abstained due to absence, all other votes were yes, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes 9/23/19

The Council reviewed the minutes of the special work session meeting held on September 23rd, 2019. A clarification was made to change the verbiage of replacing the liner to repairing the liner of pond two. A motion was made by Derek Glosson to approve the minutes with the change, seconded by Jacque Hayes; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes 9/30/19

The Council reviewed the minutes of the special meeting held on September 30th, 2019. A clarification was made to complete the sentence at the top specifying the purpose of the meeting. Derek Glosson motion to approve the minutes with the stated correction, Harry Slusser second the motion. Scott Porteus abstained due to absence, all other votes were yes, motion passed.

Approval of September Bills

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

Airport Report

FBO operator Randy Hayes reported that the ASOS unit is up and running smoothly. He also reported that Jviation is correcting some drawings on the Master Plan. Once those corrections are made and reviewed the plan should be finished. Randy mentioned that he has a meeting with the Division of Aeronautics soon to review Akron's long term capital improvement plan with the FAA. Randy will be advocating for the Town to make sure that Akron's needs are not lost. The next airport development meeting is on 10/24.

Sheriff Report

Sheriff Jon Stivers was in attendance and reported 40 incidents with 24 citations written in September. In September, dispatch handled 222 total calls for Akron. The county had 581 calls. Jon reported hiring a new officer, Jordan Steinke. She comes with a year of experience. Code enforcement has been very busy.

At Ease Tavern License Application

Dencia Raish presented a Tavern Liquor License for the At Ease Bar owned by Connie Rhea. All preconditions for the license have been met or approved with the hearing held at 6:30 on October 7th. Sheriff Stivers reported no objections in issuing the license. A motion was made to issue the license by Jacque Hayes, seconded by Derek Glosson; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Akron Elks Renewal

Dencia Raish presented the renewal for Club License for the Akron Elks. Jon Stivers had no objections to issuing the license. A motion was made to issue the license by Derek Glosson, seconded by Jacque Hayes; all votes were yes, motion passed.

County Report

Commissioner Tony Wells was in attendance and reported on topics included upcoming legislation, CDOT Planning Meetings, Fair/Carnival strategic planning. He reported that the westernmost booth under the grandstands would be an OEM and Emergency First Aid Station next year. Tony also reported that there had been considerations of converting State Highway 71 or State Highway 385 to a potential interstate that would run from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. CDOT Hwy 71 will become a new interstate from Canada to Mexico or maybe 385.

Iron Mike Construction

Dencia Raish reported that Supervisor, Len Rice, said he would be at the meeting to discuss a water line concern with the Council. Len was not in attendance. Dencia reported that she, along with Larry Johnson and Steve Vasquez, had been asked to provide a letter from the Town of Akron claiming responsibility for an underground waterline at the new YW location. The specific line runs from a fire hydrant located on the NE end of the building to a fire suppression line within the mechanical room of the new building. The letter needs to say that the Town of Akron will take responsibility for inspecting that line. Len had told Dencia that both Larry Johnson and Steve Vasquez had seen the line. Harry Slusser clarified that both Larry and Steve had told Len that the line needs to be inspected by the State as they are not qualified to sign off on an inspection. Dencia also reported that she had visited with YW Manager Trent Loutensock. They discussed the potential for legal counsel of the Town and YW to create an agreement on the line. Dencia reiterated that she would not sign a letter for the Town taking responsibility for the line. Shane Watson reported that there had been issues since the contractor has connected to the town's meter. Shane also reported that Steve had told multiple people that he is not an inspector and has not signed off on any of the construction. Matt Richardson said he was not clear on the specific request for the Town, Dencia stated that as she understands the ask is for a letter from the Town approving the line. In the discussion, the Council agreed that they are not willing to provide such a letter. At this point, Steve Vasquez entered the meeting. Steve reported that he had not seen the entire line. The parts that he did see were dug up for repairs. Steve thought that the Town's responsibility for the line should end at the valve, and Harry Slusser agreed. Steve reported that the line does a 90° turn into the mechanical room and that

he did not see the appropriate thrust blocks positioned. After further lengthy discussion it was pointed out that the Town should provide the YW with clear definitions of responsibility for the lines.

Public Invited To Be Heard

No public was in attendance.

Second Reading – Ordinance 562 – Additions to Industrial Zone Regulations

This ordinance establishes maximum building height, side yard requirements, setbacks, lot area per family, and parking requirements for industrially zoned areas. Derek Glosson pointed out that the ordinance provided for the meeting was not the correct version approved by the Council. Council agreed that the ordinance they were approving had five sections within. A motion was made to approve the corrected second reading of Ordinance 562 by Derek Glosson, seconded by Harry Slusser; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Second Reading – Ordinance 563 – Remove Enforcement by Building Inspector for Travel Trailers

Matt Richardson pointed out to Council that this ordinance edits Section 11-7A, in Travel Trailer codes. He also pointed out that Ordinance 564 also deals with the same section. Matt recommended that Council table reading current versions of 563 and 564 to allow him the time to combine them to create a new rewritten single ordinance, Council tabled Ord #563.

First Reading – Ordinance 564 – Amend Travel Trailer Ordinance

As mentioned above, this ordinance was tabled for further editing by Matt Richardson. The first read of a new ordinance will come in the future.

First Reading – Ordinance 565 – Amend Parking on Residential Streets

The first read of 565 was tabled for further correction.

Approval of Lease Purchase for New Trash Truck

Based on the interest rate, the Council accepted an invitation to bid from Bank of Colorado at the regular meeting on September 9th. In the last month, Bank of Colorado completed the lease-purchase application for the Town to review. Matt Richardson approved the lease-purchase presented. A motion was made by Harry Slusser, to approve signatures by Brittani Kusel and Dencia Raish for all necessary documents. Scott Porteus seconded the motion; Susan Watson abstained due to employment with Bank of Colorado, all other votes were yes, motion passed.

MOU: Town of Akron & DOLA/University of Colorado Denver, UTA Pond Site Design

Dencia Raish contacted DOLA about their University Technical Assistance UTA program in regards to pond development beyond the construction of the actual pond. Akron qualified for the opportunity to participate in the program. UTA offers graduate students in architecture, landscape architecture, and planning, opportunities to transform their knowledge into hands-on experience by working with clients on real projects. The cost of the program is \$2,600 and will be split between the Town and DOLA 60/40. A Pond Site Design shall be completed by October 1, 2020. A motion was made to sign the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement by Harry Slusser, seconded by Jacque Hayes; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Presentation of Preliminary 2020 Budget

Dencia presented Council with an initial budget for the Town in 2020. Highlights included finding that Akron is not fully De-Bruced from the 5.5% increase limitation of property taxes. This will

reduce the income available to Akron for 2020 in General and Fire Pension Property taxes. Council asked for further definition in accounts to know what funds are available to spend. It was also suggested to try and budget for a sidewalk program that could assist citizens in renewing broken down sidewalks in Akron. With the initial budget, there were no wage increases, no increase in rates. A motion was made to accept the first edition of the 2020 budget and publish the official Notice of Budget as required by C.R.S. 29-1-106(1). The motion was made by Jacque Hayes, seconded by Harry Slusser; all votes were yes, motion passed.

Referred Measure for April 2020 Election, 5.5% TABOR Limitation Question

The Council directed Matt Richardson and Dencia Raish to work on creating a question for the April 2020 election.

Council, Committee, and Staff Reports

Public Works Director Shane Watson reported that Scott and Allen had removed most of the tree at the pond. He also reported that Marine Diving Solutions completed repair work at the reservoir. Shane has been in contact with CDOT, and he is working towards extending the city limit sign to the east. Shane still hopes to crack fill three streets on Main Ave later in the fall.

Dencia Raish presented a written report of details that were covered in the regular meeting. She also provided sales tax collection and a balance sheet for the Town through September.

Written library reports were in the packet with no questions raised.

Matt Richardson had nothing new to report to the Council. Derek Glosson asked Matt to fix the animal units within the Ranchette zoning, as was mentioned in a previous meeting.

Susan Watson delivered a Chamber report. The Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 5th, and the theme is Christmas Movies.

Derek Glosson told Council that he and Dencia hope to have the pond bid for an invitation out by the end of October. He will also be attending the CML Policy Meeting on Friday, October 11th.

Brittani discussed appointed employee evaluation. A plan was made to review Shane and Dencia on October 28th at 5:30 pm within executive sessions. Council asked that Shane and Dencia complete employee evaluation with that time as well after the discussion Council agreed to meet for appointed employee reviews on Monday, October 28th, at 5:30 pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Jacque Hayes moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 pm. With no objections, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____

Dencia Raish, CMC, Town Clerk Administrator

Brittani Kusel, Mayor