

Borough of Akron Council Meeting- August 24, 2015

***Council members present-*** Perry Lorah, Vice-President; Justin Gehman, John Taylor, Jeff Shirk.  
(Thomas J. Murray, Earl Shirk & Dan McCormac not present)

***Others present-*** Mayor John McBeth, Dan Guers, Borough Manager; Susan Davidson, Borough Secretary; Kenelm L. Shirk III, Solicitor; Brian Boyer, Kay McEllhenney.

Perry Lorah opened the August 24, 2015 Council Meeting.

***Streets***

Justin Gehman made a motion to direct Dan Guers to issue a Notice to Proceed to Burkholder Paving for paving on Third Street. Jeff Shirk seconded the motion. Brian Boyer asked about the property on Third Street with the problem driveway. Jeff Shirk mentioned we have no feasible ideas to fix the driveway. Justin Gehman mentioned putting in parking crosswalk lines. Motion carried.

Dan Guers will issue letters to residents on Third Street and to the Ephrata Area School District with a time line when paving should begin and end on Third Street.

Dan Guers will mail a letter (pending approval of the Borough Solicitor) to the residents of 33 Third Street, Akron in regards to their sidewalk and driveway.

Dan Guers mentioned the telephone poles should be finished this week.

Sue Davidson will contact the church that rented the pavilion #2 on Sunday. They had a water slide that attracted lots of people and people parked on the ball diamonds.

Justin had a call from Joyce Moyer about the rolled curb on Knollwood breaking up at the macadam and curb. It was also mentioned that the patchwork on Scenic View is breaking up.

***Water & Sewer***

SRBC met with Dan Guers and Tom Murray, Jr. last week. SRBC mentioned the Borough cannot buy water from EAJA in lieu of finding another well. SRBC will get back to the Borough to confirm this. SRBC does want to know when the Borough will find another water source.

A service line was replaced on Broad Street last week.

Jeff Shirk made a motion to move forward with the bids for the Crestview stormwater repair pending a signed easement agreement from Mr. Sensenig. John Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jeff Shirk mentioned there are three to four stormwater lines that need repaired and whose responsibility is it. Kenelm L. Shirk III mentioned according to our latest stormwater ordinance it is the homeowner's responsibility. It was mentioned that these stormwater lines precede the latest stormwater ordinance and Council has in the past repaired stormwater lines and incurred the cost. Dan Guers and Jeff Shirk will contact West Earl Twp to discuss the stormpipe on Tobacco Road.

***Records Destruction***

The Borough Solicitor will prepare a Records Destruction Resolution, relating to records held by the Solicitor, to be put on the Agenda for potential adoption during the September 14, 2015 Council Meeting.

Justin Gehman made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. John Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justin Gehman withdrew his motion to go into Executive Session and John Taylor withdrew his second. Motion withdrawn.

Brian Boyer asked if Council looked at other haulers for leaf collection. Brian said Ream Disposal will charge \$500.00 for each weekly leaf collection. Sue Davidson will contact Ream Disposal about pricing and Good's Disposal to get an estimated number of households for past leaf collection.

Justin Gehman made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. John Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Taylor made a motion to reconvene the meeting. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Taylor made a motion to increase the hourly rate of Kyle Sauder (Public Works Dept) by 2.5% from \$17.06/hr to \$17.49/hr based on his personnel evaluation. The new hourly rate will be effective the first pay in September 2015. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Taylor made a motion to increase the hourly rate of Thomas Murray, Jr. (Public Works Dept) by 2.5% from \$22.62/hr to 23.17 hr based on his personnel evaluation. The new hourly rate will be effective the first pay in September 2015. Jeff Shirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Taylor made a motion to increase the hourly rate of Scott Judkins (Public Works Dept) by 2.5% from \$22.67/hr to \$23.23/hr based on his personnel evaluation. The new hourly rate will be effective the first pay in September 2015. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Taylor made a motion to increase the hourly rate of Faye Martin (Administrative Asst and Police Secretary) by 2.5% from \$18.45/hr to \$18.81/hr based on her personnel evaluation. The new hourly rate will be effective the first pay in September 2015. Jeff Shirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justin Gehman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Davidson  
Borough Secretary

