

BOROUGH OF AKRON COUNCIL MEETING- NOVEMBER 14, 2016

Council Members present- John Williamson, President; Justin Gehman, Vice-President; Thomas Murray, Nathan Imhoff. (Perry Lorah, Earl Shirk and Tammy Ruth not present)

Others present- Mayor John McBeth, Susan Davidson, Borough Manager; Dick Wanner, Ephrata Review, Police Chief Thomas Zell, Barb McMinn, Sam Baughman, Donald Reese, K. McEllhenney, Brian Boyer, Jeff Shirk, Hope Stayer, Robin Seidel, Kyle Robinson, Michael Zell, Hailey Imhoff, Tim Sheetz, Monica Hersh.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Justin Gehman made a motion to approve the October 10, 2016 Borough of Akron Council Meeting minutes. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justin Gehman made a motion to approve the October 10, 2016 Borough of Akron Public hearing (Proposed Zoning Ordinance). Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Thomas Murray made a motion to approve the November 7, 2016 Borough of Akron Council Meeting minutes. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Visitors

Mike Zell asked permission to use the Broad Street Park to celebrate "Akron Playground Reunion" on August 3, 2017 from 6pm to 9pm. Mike Zell will get information to the Borough Manager to coordinate this event.

Hope Stayer, Bomberger Road asked when the stream embankment behind her property will be fixed. Council mentioned the work will be done in the summer of 2017.

Brian Boyer, Westview Drive asked if a tree was planted for his twenty five years of service. Sue Davidson will check and if not will make sure a tree is planted at the Roland Park.

Brian also mentioned that Main Street off of Rothsville Road is rough driving. Council mentioned the invoice for Main Street paving project will not be paid until all documentation including the performance bond is submitted to the Borough.

Police- Chief Thomas Zell

Chief Zell distributed the October 2016 report

Mayor Report- Mayor John McBeth

Mayor McBeth reviewed the latest report from the Lancaster County Drug Task Force.

Committee Reports

Administration and Finance Committee- Thomas Murray

Tom Murray made a motion to pay the bills as reviewed by the Administration and Finance Committee members at 6:30 pm-7:00 pm meeting. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Murray made a motion to pay Landis C. Deck \$50,200.00 for the Akron Lions Lodge paving as recommended by Arro Engineers. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Murray read into the minutes the October 2016 month-end balances.

General Fund	\$ 85,855.18
Water Fund	\$ 51,379.42
Sewer Fund	\$ 23,915.25
Highway Aid Fund	\$122,663.29
General Reserves	\$218,639.16
Water Reserves	\$114,279.70
Sewer Reserves	\$196,872.90
Capital Projects	\$ 2.70
Community Fund	\$ 3,816.20

Total \$817,423.80

Escrow Fund \$ 60,183.03

Tom Murray reviewed the October 2016 Revenues and Expenditures Report
General Fund Revenues 7% over budget General Fund Expenditures 1% under budget
Water Fund Revenues 10% under budget Water Fund Expenditures 10% under budget
Sewer Fund Revenues 11% under budget Sewer Fund Expenditures 15% under budget

Jeff Shirk asked if the \$95,000.00 DCNR Grant money will be used to pay down the Rail Trail loan. John Williamson mentioned Council has not yet decided.

The 2017 approved Preliminary budget has been advertised.

Tom Murray made a motion to approve Resolution #00191 approving the 2017-2019 SRO Agreement with the Ephrata Area School District. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Streets & Sewer Committee- Justin Gehman

Street sweeping will take place December 5 on the east side and December 6 on the west side of the Borough.

Street salt has been ordered and all vehicles are ready for winter.

Mayor McBeth asked that the 4 ways stop signs be changed to "All Way" stop signs.

Sue Davidson asked if Justin Gehman if they could update the 5 year street plan.

Personnel & Public Safety Committee- Earl Shirk

Justin Gehman made a motion to accept the resignation of Philip Diller (full-time public works employee) effective November 19, 2016. Tom Murray seconded the motion. Motion carried. An exit meeting is scheduled for Thursday morning, November 17, 2016.

Jeff Shirk asked how much time do we spend on mowing grass. Jeff also asked in the 2017 proposed budget a permanent part-time employee is being hired and will this replace summer help. Sue Davidson mentioned we are not planning on hiring summer help. The permanent part-time employee will be hired for mowing grass, meter reading and other public works maintenance duties.

Water Committee- Nathan Imhoff

Nathan asked for a report on what was billed for water and sewer and for unaccounted water.

Sue Davidson mentioned Public Works repaired a water main break on November 13th at 32 Fulton Street. Work started at 7 am and continued until 2 pm. It was a 6 inch line and water and water pressure was affected on Fulton, Front and Miller Streets. A swift reach notification was sent out.

Parks, Property & Planning Committee- Tammy Ruth

The Rail Trail tree planting will wait until spring of 2017.

Jeff Shirk mentioned there is unusual wear on the center of the Rail Trail.

Community Relations & Special Projects- Perry Lorah

The Borough has three bundles of wood for the New Year's Eve bonfire.

A building permit has been submitted for a pole to be installed at the Broad Street Park for the New Year's Eve Shoe Drop. Services for this project have been donated by Stoner Industrial, Code Administrators and Arro Engineers. The Borough Public Works will install the pole at the Broad Street Park.

Borough Manager

Distributed report

Attended an SRBC workshop in Harrisburg with John Williamson, Thomas Murray, Sr. and Tom Murray, Jr. on Wednesday, November 9th.

A DEP inspection will take place next Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 8:30 am.

Farley Fry (Hanover Engineering) as applied for a MS4 waiver. The waiver will give the Borough a five-year pause in the required MS4 compliance.

The permit for the storm embankment project on Bomberger Road is being reviewed by DEP. I would like to discuss the storm embankment at Roland Park and the park swale projects at the next committee meeting.

A total of eleven building permits were approved during October and November.

Borough Solicitor

Nothing to report

Fire Chief

Distributed October 2016 report

Planning Commission

Sam Baughman chairperson of the Akron Borough Planning Commission mentioned the Planning Commission reviewed the Zoning Ordinance that was sent back by Council. The Planning Commission will meeting again in January to continue reviewing the ordinance. The temporary sign ordinance was tabled by the Planning Commission.

Zoning Hearing Board

Nothing scheduled

Tax Collector

Distributed October 2016 report

County Real Estate Taxes collected in October 2016	\$1,458.53
Borough Real Estate Taxes collected in October 2016	\$1,073.88

Borough Secretary

Distributed October 2016 Call Log

Borough Treasurer

Nothing to report

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report

New Business

Akron Steering Committee will meet on Thursday, November 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Dean Severson from the Lancaster County Planning Commission has demographic, economic and land use data that he will be sharing with the committee on November 17^t at the Steering Committee meeting

John Williamson read a letter of resignation from Perry Lorah.

Tom Murray made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Perry Lorah effective November 14, 2016. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council will make an appointment on December 12, 2016 to replace Perry Lorah.

Don Reese asked about the value of the Borough's contribution to the Drug Task Force. Chief Zell mentioned the Drug Task force has the equipment, personnel and knowledge to fight against drugs. Chief Zell also mentioned we might not see directly what the Task Force does but the arrests trickle down to Akron Borough.

Committee Meetings- Monday, November 28, 2016

Council Interviews

Water Committee

Zoning

Personnel Committee

Tom Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Davidson

Borough Manager/Secretary

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