

BOROUGH OF AKRON COUNCIL MEETING – OCTOBER 30, 2017

Council Members present- Justin Gehman, Vice-President; Thomas J. Murray, Earl Shirk, Nathan Imhoff, Monica Hersh. (John Williamson and Keith Landis not present)

Others present- Mayor John McBeth, Susan Davidson, Borough Manager; Thomas Murray, Jr., Jeff Bologa, Becker Engineering; Mark Hackenberg, RGS Associates.

Meeting called to order.

Subsidiary Use Permit

Jeff Bologa from Becker Engineering mentioned the formal agreement with EAJA must include the back and forth water between Ephrata and Akron and additional water to satisfy Susquehanna River Basin.

Tom Murray made a motion to have Becker Engineering apply for a Subsidiary Use Permit with DEP and have the Borough Manager negotiate a number of gallons and report to Akron Borough Council. Earl Shirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Streets

Distributed letter from Stewart and Tate dated October 19, 2017. Stewart and Tate proposed at no cost to the Borough, one additional micro surfacing application on the south side (eastbound lane) of Main Street between Rothsville Road and the Rail Trail, a distance of approx. 1,050 feet.

The consensus of Council members present at the meeting was not to pursue.

Mayor

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to approve Ordinance #00090 increasing the Borough of Akron Mayor's salary to \$750.00 annually. Earl Shirk seconded the motion. Earl Shirk stated that he does not know why there is a differential and the Mayor position should be a volunteer. Nathan Imhoff and Monica Hersh both mentioned we are talking about the office of Mayor not a particular person. Motion did not pass. Thomas Murray voted nay; Earl Shirk, nay; Justin Gehman, nay; Monica Hersh, nay; Nathan Imhoff, aye.

Mayor McBeth left the meeting at this time.

2018 Proposed Budget

Council members and the Borough Manager reviewed the proposed 2018 budget. The budget will include a real estate millage increase, increase in park house rental and increase in pavilion/lodge rental.

Tom Murray made a motion to advertise the preliminary balanced 2018 budget for the General Fund in the amount of \$1,791,710 (millage increase), the preliminary balanced 2018 budget for the Water Fund in the amount of \$508,754.00 (no water rate increase), the preliminary balanced 2018 budget for the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$703,265.00 (no sewer rate increase) and the preliminary balanced 2018

budget for Highway Aid in the amount of \$223,325.30 to be approved at the regularly scheduled Council meeting on December 11, 2017. Earl Shirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Earl Shirk seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Davidson
Borough Manager/Secretary

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