

## **BOROUGH OF AKRON COUNCIL MEETING- JUNE 11, 2018**

***Council Members present***- John Williamson, President; Thomas Murray, Sr., Vice-President; Nathan Imhoff, Monica Hersh, Keith Landis, Darryl Witmer. (Justin Gehman not present)

***Others present***- Mayor John McBeth, Susan Davidson, Borough Manager; Police Chief Thomas Zell, Dick Wanner, Ephrata Review; Jennifer Prunoske, Hanover Engineers; Todd Eachus, Comcast; Barb McMinn, Dennis Stauffer, Rachel Sensenig, Hector Cruz, Thomas Murray, Jr., Evan Shupp.

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ***Approval of Minutes***

Tom Murray, Sr. made a motion to approve the May 14 and May 28<sup>th</sup> Borough of Council Meeting minutes with the following amendments. Page one it should state “to approve the April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 23, 2018 Borough of Akron Council Meeting minutes.” Keith Landis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### ***Visitors***

Todd Eachus from Comcast made a brief presentation on Comcast and the opportunity to explore residential services in this area. Ephrata Borough, Ephrata Township, Lititz Borough and Warwick Township are working on a franchise agreement to allow Comcast services in their municipalities. Todd Eachus mentioned that the Comcast business services only need to pull permits but residential services require a franchise agreement. Council will discuss the franchise agreement at their next Work Session scheduled for Monday, June 25, 2018. Todd Eachus also mentioned the local franchise authority entitles local municipalities to ask and receive a local channel.

### ***MS4 Annual Presentation***

Jennifer Prunoske from Hanover Engineers gave a brief presentation on the Annual MS4 Report for the Borough of Akron.

The annual report is due on September 30, 2018 and every September for the following years.

Hanover Engineers will keep the Borough updated in regards to any changes to the MS4 report and adding or switching projects will need to be advertised.

Dennis Stauffer thanked Akron Borough Council and staff for helping with the Akron Day in the Park on Saturday, June 9, 2018.

Rachel Sensenig, a registered nurse attending Millersville University is doing a project to assess the needs and resources for the public in Akron and part of the project is to attend Borough

meetings. The Borough Manager will set up a meeting to answer any other questions Rachel Sensenig has in regards to Akron Borough.

### ***Officers Reports***

#### ***Police***

Distributed May 2018 report

Chief Zell mentioned that Sergeant Stone applied for, and received a grant through Lancaster General Health for three new AED's (automated external defibrillators). Chief Zell and the Borough Manager decided the AED's should be placed in the Borough Office, Police Department and Public Works Shop.

#### ***Mayor Report-*** Mayor John McBeth

Mayor McBeth and Chief Zell met with the staff at Wellspan Hospital to discuss the process of taking people to the Emergency Room. This in an ongoing discussion.

#### ***Borough Manager***

Distributed the May 2018 report and Call Log

A pre-construction meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2018 for the Walnut/Diamond Street project.

The Police Department will do a traffic study on the Borough Streets as part of the process of updating the Truck Weight Ordinance.

Received one application for a part-time minute taker/transcriber.

The air conditioning units at the Municipal Office Building are over twenty years old and will be included in the proposed 2019 budget.

John Williamson, Jeff Bologa (Becker Engineering) and the Borough Manager met with EAJA on May 17, 2018 to discuss Akron Borough's subsidiary Water Supply Agreement. The EAJA Board will consider our request and this item will be on the June 21, 2018 EAJA agenda.

An alternate for the Akron Zoning Hearing Board will be advertised on the Akron Borough webpage.

#### ***Zoning Officer Report***

The May 2018 Zoning Officer Report will be e-mailed to Council and Mayor.

The Borough Zoning Officer has not received the as built plans from Latitude 17 LLC for the Trailside Apartments.

**Tax Collector Report**

Distributed May 2018 report

County Real Estate Taxes collected in May 2018 \$93,000.00

Borough Real Estate Taxes collected in May 2018 \$74,118.82

**Fire Chief Report**

No report in Council books

Borough Manager will forward the Fire Report to Council and Mayor

**Borough Council Committee Reports**

**Administration and Finance Committee-** Thomas Murray, Sr.

Tom Murray, Sr. made a motion to pay the bills as reviewed by the Finance Committee and Mayor McBeth. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Murray, Sr. read into the minutes the May 31, 2018 month-end balances

General Fund	\$279,271.09
Water Fund	\$ 4,817.00
Sewer Fund	\$ 75,199.92
Highway Aid	\$236,601.60
General Reserves	\$117,616.53
Water Reserves	\$260,816.13
Sewer Reserves	\$208,689.91
Capital Projects	\$ 70.40
Community Fund	\$ 2,103.06
Total	\$1,185,185.64
Escrow	\$ 60,928.36

**Community Relations-** Darryl Witmer

Darryl Witmer mentioned Akron Night at the Barnstormers is scheduled for June 22, 2018 and tickets are \$8.00.

**Parks Committee-** Nathan Imhoff

The Borough Manager will get prices on basketball courts for Colonial Park for the proposed 2019 budget.

Twenty-four signs for “Young Lungs at Play” have arrived and will be posted around the parks by the Public Works Department.

**Discussion Items**

Zoning Fees-Nothing at this time

Zoning Hearing Alternate will be advertised on the Borough webpage

#### Bomberger Stream Embankment

John Williamson, Tom Murray, Sr and the Borough Manager met with Daryl Becker from Arro Engineers to look at the Bomberger Stream Embankment. The Borough Manager will contact Darrell Becker from Arro to confirm the cost and the length of work for Phase 1 to be completed in 2018.

The Borough Manager will check the Land Development Plan for the 400 block of S. Ninth Street to see if any sections of the streets are not dedicated.

The Akron Borough Manager mentioned that she was contacted by Bob Thompson, Ephrata Borough Manager about evaluating water request items for Akron Borough. An option would be to allow for fees to be extended over a period of time (possibly ten years) with a cost of \$13.86 per gallon. This issue will be discussed at the next EAJA meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 21, 2018.

Sue Davidson will contact Priscilla Eberly at Representative Zimmerman's Office to set up an appoint to discuss SRBC issues with Representative Zimmerman.

Tom Murray Sr. mentioned the Borough is working on the installation of new routers and then the next step is the e-mail server but first needs to get the security and routers in place.

Hanover Engineers gave a construction cost opinion of \$8,200 for the proposed rain garden at the Municipal Office. This cost opinion does not include landscape planting and infiltration testing is needed to design the garden. The Borough Manager will check with Farley Fry on the size of the garden area.

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to adopt Ordinance #00094 providing for and establishing alternative civil ordinance enforcement (citation/tickets) of certain violations of the Borough of Akron Code of Ordinances. Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. (Ordinance was properly advertised and posted). Motion carried.

Keith Landis made a motion to recommend the Akron Borough Planning Commission amend the Zoning Ordinance for Short- Term Rentals. Monica Hersh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Murray, Sr. made a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to obtain additional information and to make a selection on a unit to maintain the proper temperature in the Borough Records Room and not to exceed \$5,000.00. Monica Hersh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Borough Manager will contact Michael Bingham to submit a new proposal on the Building Code Construction Official rates.

Tom Murray, St. made a motion to sell the 2001 Ford F350 Truck in the amount of \$15,300.00 to Walter Munzer. The truck was listed on Municibid. Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

***Unfinished Business***

John Williamson invited all of Council and Mayor to the next Steering Committee Meeting on June 28, 2018 at the Akron Fire Hall.

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to contact Gregg Graham at the Pa Game Commission and inform him that Akron Borough does not want to have a collection box for deer heads at the Borough Municipal Office property. The PA Game Commission collects deer heads to test for Chronic Waste Disease. Keith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nathan Imhoff mentioned that banners and brackets should be removed from poles in the Borough.

Chief Zell mentioned there were more police incidents at the N. Ninth Street property. Keith Landis mentioned that house is up for sale.

Work Session- Monday, July 25, 2018 commencing at 6:30 p.m.

Comcast

Zoning Fees

Subsidiary Permit

Rain Garden

Code Official Proposal

Truck Weight Ordinance

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Monica Hersh seconded the meeting. Motion carried Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Davidson

Borough Manager/Secretary

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