A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:34 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson, Trustees, Michael R. Middaugh, Kathryn A. Capan and Keith A. Hatswell; Village Attorney Daniel D. Shonn, Clerk Treasurer Daniel P. Borchert, Police Chief Richard Lauricella, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh seconded by Capan, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2014 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Hatswell seconded by Middaugh that the audit of the bills is approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay same in accordance with the following abstract of audit vouchers:

General Fund	\$	1,952.16	
Electric Fund	\$	42,768.50	
Water Fund	\$	166.00	
Sewer Fund	\$	2,036.22	
ADOPTED	MICHAE KATHRY	PATTERSON L R. MIDDAUGH YN A. CAPAN HATSWELL	- AYE - AYE - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Hatswell and seconded by Middaugh that the following Application for a Dumpster Permit for the year 2014 be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual permit fee:

Strippit, Inc.	12975 Clarer	ice Ctr. Rd.	Renewal	\$60.00
	ADOPTED	CARL E. PAT	TERSON	- AYE
		MICHAEL R.	MIDDAUGH	- AYE
		KATHRYN A	. CAPAN	- AYE
		KEITH A. HA	TSWELL	- AYE

#### PUBLIC HEARING – none

APPEARANCE – Tim Meyers as well as several other Representatives from Moose Lodge International came before the Board to familiarize them with their 100 year old service organization which helps children and senior citizens during a time of fire, accidents, domestic situations or natural disasters etc. They work along with Police, Disaster Coordinators as well as Charitable Organizations in regards to the needs of children and senior citizens. They would like to open a chapter here in the Village of Akron or the Town of Newstead and are looking for new members to make up the 35 members needed to establish a new chapter. The Organization now has chapters in Tonawanda, Lockport, Lancaster and Leroy, New York.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Boy Scout Doni Roehling came before the Board to present his idea of building a large fire pit for barbeques in Russell Park. He stated that it would include a concrete pad with paver walls and lined with fire brick. The pavers look very similar to the ones used in Russell Park's amphitheater. Doni explained that he is looking to begin the project in the spring of 2014 providing he gets the approval from

the Boy Scout Council and the Village Code Enforcement Officer. Trustee Middaugh and Code Enforcer Borth will be working with Doni as needed.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to approve the concept of a large barbeque pit in Russell Park as presented by Boy Scout Doni Roehling as his Eagle Scout project be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

Resident Doug Ceisner was concerned about the budget process such as when the deadline is and if any meetings have been scheduled. He mentioned that the last two years a special meeting was scheduled to pass the budget before the deadline and suggested that they start the process sooner to make sure the budget could be passed at a regular Village Board meeting. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert stated that the budget deadline is every year as of May 1. Meetings are usually scheduled in March and April. Mayor Patterson agreed the process can begin earlier.

He wanted to say thank you for finally doing something about the drug problem in the Village in reference to the large drug bust that recently occurred. He suggested the Village set up a "hotline" for anyone with information regarding any drug activity.

# PROJECT REPORTS -

Joint Facility – Committee meeting scheduled for February 7, 2014 Review Inter-Municipal Agreement with Town of Newstead –

MONTHLY REPORTS -

<u>Departments</u> –

Attorney – items on agenda

Clerk-Treasurer – The Board received the Clerk's report for January 2014 along with the February 2014 office schedule. Reported: Meeting with KVS regarding a new billing program and machinery that would allow the Village to print one or more bills on an 8 1/2 x 11 paper and sort and stuff envelopes; the IT issue at the Joint Facility has been resolved; he will be attending the NYMPA Special meeting with Public Works Manager Jon Cummings on February 6, 2014 in Syracuse, NY.

Police Chief – Chief Lauricella submitted to the Board the schedule for February 2014 and his report for January 2014 distributed to the Board. Reported: Officer Koscielniak is still recovering from his surgery, maintenance on vehicles is all up to date, and requested the Board to authorize two college credit bearing ride-a-longs with the Akron Police Department. The Students names are Jeffrey Pelletier and Jack Baker.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to authorize the two college credit bearing ride-a-longs for Jeffrey Pelletier and Jack Baker with the Akron Police be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

Public Works – Manager Cummings submitted his report for September 2014. He reported: the DPW has used 250 tons of salt to date and feels good about the quantity still on hand. Also he reported that on January 31, 2014 there was a water pressure issue resulting from the ruptured pipe in the vacant Akron House.

Mayor Patterson wanted to recognize the DPW team on a fine job of keeping up with all the snow removal.

Code Enforcement Officer – Mr. Borth did not have a report, but reported attending two separate training courses in January. He also reported issuing several side walk violations for residential properties as well as several in the Business District. Mayor Patterson asked if Mr. Borth could also make sure Businesses along Main Street kept the sidewalks cleared during the weekends too.

Akron Fire Company – no Representative present

Elected Officials -

TRUSTEES - COORDINATORS

Trustee Capan – nothing to report

Trustee Middaugh – will continue to work with Boy Scout Doni Roehling on his Eagle Scout project. Also he requested an executive session regarding personnel.

Mayor Patterson – stated that he will be attending the Village Officials Association meeting on February 20, 2014; and reminded the Board of the scheduled joint meeting with the Town of Newstead on February 24, 2014. Lastly, he passed around a newspaper article regarding the Town of Somerset and all their updates with billing procedures and services.

Trustee Forrestel – absent

Trustee Hatswell – will set up a meeting possibly for February 25, 2014 with the Akron Fire Hall to further discuss the contract.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Ron Berry Memorial Fields – Paul Bowers will be looking into figures for any environmental work that may need to be done.

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue Village Land – nothing new

Public Works Facility at 43 East Avenue – nothing new

Village Annexation/Sewer District – on the agenda for the Joint meeting with the Town of Newstead on February 24, 2014

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Town Highway Garage on Jackson Street – Attorney Shonn stated that he will put together a licensing agreement and forward it to Town of Newstead Attorney Nathan Neil and the Town of Newstead Board before the scheduled joint meeting with the Town on February 24, 2014.

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

William Schutt & Associates January 2014 Project Summary Report

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers request for Wetland Delineation on John Street

National Fuel updated 2014 contact information

Erie County Department of Planning letter regarding SEQRA Lead Agency request for 42 Jackson Street

Erie County Commissioner of Public Works regarding the Erie County Utilities Aggregation

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Resident Doug Ceisner asked the Board if they ever installed a gas line to the Village Hall Building for the purpose of fueling the generator in

case of an electrical outage. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert stated that the Village did not pursue the idea. Mr. Ceisner also asked what the electric bill was for the Village Hall for January 2014. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert estimated that the bill was around \$1500.00.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Hatswell and seconded by Middaugh to go into executive session regarding personnel issues at 8:20 p.m. be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Hatswell to come out of executive session regarding personnel issues at 8:51 p.m. be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

On motion of Capan and seconded by IADJOURNED	Middaugh, at 8:52 p.m. this meeting was
MAYOR	CLERK-TREASURER