

September 22, 2014

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:35 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson, Trustees, E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Kathryn A. Capan and Keith A. Hatswell; Attorney Daniel D. Shonn, Clerk Treasurer Daniel P. Borchert, Chief of Police Richard Lauricella, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag. The Mayor also led us in a moment of silence for the late Donald Rickwalt who had worked for the Village Sewer Plant for over 20 years.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Forrestel, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2014 be and hereby is approved by the Village Board.

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

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Hatswell seconded by Forrestel 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	\$ 37,799.96
Electric Fund	\$ 109,775.47
Water Fund	\$ 80,111,059
Sewer Fund	\$ 6,560.44
Trust & Agency	\$ 1,714.03

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Capan that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the applications and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

James & Scott Little	12 Randy Drive	Demo Carport	\$75.00
James & Scott Little	12 Randy Drive	Roof	\$50.00

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

Trustee Middaugh abstained from voting

RESOLUTION duly moved by Hatswell and seconded by Middaugh that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the applications and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Ralph Golding Jr.	20 Front Street	Fence	\$50.00
John Franke	59 Randy Drive	Roof	\$50.00
Nancy J. Tordey	13 Crescent Drive	Fence	\$50.00

Roger Brewer	8 Crescent Drive	Roof	\$50.00
Jeff Subra	5 Cedar Street	Roof	\$50.00
Deborah J. Leising	11 Indianola Avenue	Fence	\$50.00
Dana Bauer	5 Mill Street	Roof	\$50.00
McAndrew's Funeral	32 John Street	Paving	100.00
Chris Wargala	104 Buell Street	Roof	\$50.00

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Hatswell and seconded by Forrestel that the following Dumpster Permits be and hereby are approved with the applications and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Roger Brewer	8 Crescent Drive	30 Day	\$50.00
Chris Wargala	104 Buell Street	30 Day	\$50.00

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

PUBLIC HEARING – None

APPEARANCE –Bill Perrone from the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers Snowmobile Club was scheduled to appear regarding use of the bike path but did not show.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Resident Doug Ceisner stated that the pallet truck that had been parking on Bloomingdale Avenue overnight is gone, he also stated that there is a dumpster on Parkview Drive and asked if it had a permit, he wanted to remind the Board that 7 assessment groups are associated with Akron Central School District and feels that the Village should not have to pay for the School Resource Officer or the Crossing Guards. He asked if the Village would get sued if the SRO was injured on the job. Mayor Patterson stated the Village has many questions to ask regarding the SRO before anything with Akron Central School District is settled.

PROJECT REPORTS –

Joint Facility – Review Inter-Municipal Agreement with Town of Newstead – Joint meeting with the Town of Newstead scheduled this evening

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Capan – nothing new

Trustee Middaugh – nothing new

Mayor Patterson – reported attending the Village Officials Association meeting held September 18, 2014 in Williamsville, NY. He will not be able to attend the Association of Erie County Governments meeting also in Williamsville, NY scheduled for September 25, 2014 so he urged any Board member to go in his place.

Trustee Forrestel – reported that the Board met this evening to review the proposals from the Engineering firms that submitted bids to help with engineering assistance and overall operations over site of the Sewer Plant. After reviewing five proposals, 2 or 3 will be scheduled for interviews within the next few days.

Trustee Hatswell – nothing new

OLD BUSINESS

Ron Berry Memorial Fields – Attorney Shonn stated that he needs to meet with the proper Village Committee to see if the Village should further pursue this project with possible engineering fees and cleanup fees. Further discussion was held regarding whether Akron Central School District is still interested in going forward with the project as well. Mayor Patterson stated that a letter should be sent to Akron Central School to determine the level of interest in the project.

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue Village Land – nothing new

Public Works Facility at 43 East Avenue – need to review proposals from Wm. Schutt & Associates

Cable Contract – Attorney Shonn stated the Village needs to meet with Time Warner Public Relations review contract and to make sure the Village Pole Agreement is renewed.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Hatswell to approve the amended Traffic Order #14 regarding Crosswalks on the recommendation of Village Attorney Shonn be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to hold a Public Hearing regarding the 2015 Community Development Block Grant be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Capan to allow Clerk-Treasurer Borchert to attend the New York Municipal Power Agency Semi-Annual meeting on Tuesday October 21, 2014 in East Syracuse, NY at a cost of \$60.00 plus travel be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to have Clerk-Treasurer Borchert be the voting Delegate for the Village of Akron at the New York Municipal Power Agency Semi-Annual meeting on Tuesday October 21, 2014 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE

MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

Discussion was led by Clerk-Treasurer Borchert in regards to changing the utility billing system from postcard bills to 8 1/2 x 11 tri-fold paper for the Village of Akron. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert stated that he would like to combine the electric and water/sewer bill and to place the refuse billing onto the Village taxes, but initially the change-over to paper will start with electric beginning with the November billing.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to approve of the easement recommended by Village Attorney Shonn for National Grid to inspect, repair, and trim vegetation near the 3 phase line feeding electricity to the Village water tank on the present Village of Akron right of way for the tank property be and hereby is approved.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Town of Amherst Central Fire Alarm Office August 2014 Operations Report

Erie County News Release on the Historic Land Transfer to Town of Newstead

Erie County Department of Environment & Planning 2010 Census Block Groups

PUBLIC COMMENT: Resident Doug Ceisner stated that he recommended the Village to combine the utility billing over 10 -15 years ago. Mr. Ceisner also wanted to say what a nice job the Public Works Department did on the Main Street project.

Marilyn Kasperak, representative of the C. Dee Wright Community Center, stated that the Center will host an Open House on Sunday October 5, 2014 from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm at 11 Church Street for the official opening of the Public Restrooms.

Mayor Patterson asked Chief Lauricella about the Akron Central Home Coming scheduled for October 3, 2014. Chief Lauricella stated the event will be the same as last year with a bonfire as an option if Bloomingdale Avenue is not toilet papered. He is scheduled to meet with ACS tomorrow to confirm plans.

Mayor Patterson asked Clerk-Treasurer to provide an overview of his training at the NYCOM Fall Training School from September 15-17, 2014.

Public Works Manager Jon Cummings led a discussion regarding Public Parking in the Clinton Street/Church Street areas and how to maintain the snow removal during the upcoming winter months. A suggestion of a parking permit from November – April was discussed. More to follow

Chief Lauricella asked the Board if they would consider cleaning sidewalks during the winter months in the areas surrounding Akron Central School property. Mayor Patterson said there were no plans to begin cleaning sidewalks in that area at this time.

Code Enforcement Officer Borth suggested again to the Board to add another tire pick-up or drop off each year. Mayor Patterson stated the Board will can speak to that at this evenings Joint meeting with the Town of Newstead.

Code Enforcement Officer Borth also wanted to report that the Cloisters/Meadows Rehab project will begin October 1, 2014. He had a meeting with

Bart from Nathaniel General Contractors who submitted over 30 permits to enable work to begin October 1, 2014. He will submit more permits as the work progresses. A retainer check of \$10,000 was presented at the meeting to cover the first round of permits.

Public Works Manager Jon Cummings stated that the Electrical Dept. will also be doing an electrical upgrade at the Cloisters/Meadows as part of the rehab project.

The Board took a brief recess before heading over to the Town of Newstead for their scheduled joint meeting.

The Town Board welcomed Mayor Patterson and the Akron Village Board for the joint meeting with the Town of Newstead.

Murder Creek Update – Carl Klingenschmitt reported that Phase II of the project from behind the library to the Mechanic Street bridge construction is complete and that they had to place an extra layer of rock in the bed of the creek for additional stabilization. The final cost is still yet to be determined. There will be some additional seeding and plantings left to do to complete the project.

Joint Facility – The committee will be meeting on Friday at the facility. The gas pressure has been increased by 2 pounds into the facility. Superintendent Cummings submitted a proposal to the committee regarding the fire and security systems as well as an update on the overhead doors at the facility.

Joint Master Plan – They will be meeting soon. The entire committee has a copy of the original plan that was adopted in 2003.

2014 Recycling Events Schedule – Clerk Borchert reported that there will be a document shredding event on Saturday September 27, 2014 from 9:00 AM – Noon and a Household Hazardous Waste Recycling event on Saturday October 11, 2014 from 9:00 AM – Noon at the Joint Municipal Facility. The Town will be looking into having a second tire drop off day this fall as well.

Courts – There is nothing new to report. Trustee Forrestel & Councilman Mayrose noted that in the past year the volume of tickets written by the New York State Police and the Akron Police Department have dropped significantly. The volume from the Erie County Sheriff's Department has been stable.

Joint Emergency Services – The committee has had one meeting but was rescheduled for the last quarterly meeting in September.

Sewer/Wastewater – The Village of Akron has taken control of the daily operations at the Wastewater Treatment Plant as of August 4, 2014. The Village sent out an RFP for management/oversight services and will hold initial interviews on Wednesday September 24th. The Village currently has a grant application submitted to do an engineering study on capital needs improvement at the plant moving forward.

Niagara Label Sewer – There would be a need to create another town sewer district and they are currently looking at the funding options and possible future expansion for additional customers.

GIS/GPS Training – Carl Klingenschmitt noted that Wendel can do the updated training on the system for \$1,000. There will be new mapping layers added to the current system in the coming weeks.

July 4th Celebration – Councilman York reported that the event went very well and that they are looking at other ideas to make next year's celebration even better. The community interest in the celebration was very positive. They want to try and make it easier to get people between the two venues and possibly using a shuttle service.

Grants – Supervisor Cummings just noted that if the Village was interested in doing a joint grant application for a possible CDBG project. If a project came up the Village would be interested in doing a joint application approach.

Town Park Purchase – The Town of Newstead officially owns the property where the in-house soccer fields and little league baseball fields are located on Skyline Drive near the entrance to Akron Falls Park.

Dog Control – Town Clerk Izydorczak and Dog Control Officer DeYoung commented on the continued difficulty they are having with controlling dog rescues. Mr. DeYoung noted that he is having difficulty getting a response from the SPCA on enforcement. Mr. DeYoung and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth will be visiting one of the dog rescues on Tuesday morning.

Projects, Update/Review – Mayor Patterson would like this to be on the agenda so that it brings awareness to the activities that we are jointly doing.

Cemetery – Councilman York noted that there is currently an Eagle Scout Project taking place in the John Street Cemetery as the scout is trying to restore some of the old tombstones that have sunk below the ground.

The next meeting date has been set for Monday January 26, 2015 at 8:30 pm to be hosted at the Village Hall.

On motion of Patterson and seconded by Forrestel at 9:40 p.m. this meeting was ADJOURNED

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER