July 15, 2024

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 5:30 p.m. Present: Mayor Brian T. Perry; Trustees: Michael R. Middaugh, Darin S. Schultz, and John W. Norton; Clerk Jayne DeTine, Treasurer Sarah Michel, and Public Works Manager Jon Cummings.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 1, 2024 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH DARIN S. SCHULTZ

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh seconded by Norton 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	\$ 62,226.91	
Electric Fund	\$ 121,774.81	
Water Fund	\$ 11,684.19	
Sewer Fund	\$ 10,209.88	
Capital Projects	\$ 7,586.31	
ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH DARIN S. SCHULTZ JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE - AYE - AYE - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the application and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Grandpa's Country Store Daniel Nowak Jason Cianciulli Monica Pomeroy	99 Main St 35 Mechanic St 24 Lewis Rd 50 Skyline Dr		New Business Roof Fence Remodel laundry Rm	\$50.00 \$50.00 \$50.00 \$150.00
	ADOPTED	DARIN S. SC	. MIDDAUGH CHULTZ	- AYE - AYE - AYE
		JOHN W. NO	DRTON	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton that the following building permit be and hereby is approved with the application and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Perry's Ice Cream	One Ice Cream I	Plaza	Roof	\$200.00
	ADOPTED			
	Ν	ICHAEL R.	. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	D	DARIN S. SC	CHULTZ	- AYE
	Jo	OHN W. NO	RTON	- AYE

Mayor Perry abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Perry that the following application for a Plumbers License for the year 2024 be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual license fee of \$75.00:

William Mekarski

Akron, NY

\$75.00

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

New

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Departments -

TREASURER – submitted report for June 2024. Reported: A call with MCSJ is scheduled this week regarding the payroll conversion; Auditors will be in sometime this week to work on the yearly audit of the Village.

NEW BUSINESS -

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Norton to authorize sending the letter to Erie County Traffic Safety Engineer, Gina Wilkolaski requesting to establish a lower speed limit on Hake Road.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Akron has been advised that a number of residents on Brodies's Way, Jackson Street, and Hake Road in the Village of Akron and the Town of Newstead have expressed safety concerns due to the fact that the speed limit is posted at 50 mph speed limit despite the fact that one half of Hake Road through most of its length is half in the Village of Akron and half in the Town of Newstead and because a number of trucks use Hake Road to by-pass the Village of Akron; and

WHEREAS, Hake Road is a county road maintained by Erie County but plowed by the Town of Newstead; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, the establishment of speed limits on a county road are beyond the jurisdiction of the Town of Newstead and the Village of Akron; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the Village Board of Trustees does hereby request to establish a lower maximum speed at which vehicles may proceed on Hake Road due to the increased traffic, including truck traffic seeking to by-pass the Village of Akron, recent complaints of excessive speed for road conditions and because Hake Road is located with one half in the Village of Akron and one half in the Town of Newstead for most of its length.
- 2. That this request is made in conjunction with a similar request from the Town of Newstead.
- 3. That the Village Clerk transmit a copy of this resolution with the appropriate (TE-9) request forms to the proper agencies for action on said resolution.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Norton to approve the purchase in the amount of \$6,405.00 to BML for pallet racking for the Cold Storage Barn located at the Sewer Plant be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE

DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Middaugh to approve the step increase for Sewer Plant Chief Operator Robert Brady from Grade 13 Step 4 to Grande 13 Step 5 as of his anniversary date of July 8, 2024 as per the recommendation of Public Works Manager Jon Cummings be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Middaugh to approve the purchase in the amount of \$8,370.00 to Green Mountain Electric Supply for wire for the Erie County Parks Electric Charge Station which will be invoiced to Erie County be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> –

Petition from Residents on Hake Rd, Jackson St, and Brodie's Way requesting the speed limit on Hake Rd be lowered.

Letter of resignation from Deputy Clerk Felicia Izydorczak as of July 26, 2024.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to accept the resignation from Deputy Clerk Felicia Izydorczak as of July 26, 2024 recognizing her service of seven years and wishing her the best in her future endeavors be and hereby is approved.

BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH DARIN S. SCHULTZ

PUBLIC COMMENT -

On behalf of the Police, Fire, and Emergency Services Committee, Trustee Schultz recommended hiring Maria Westphal as a part-time Police Officer pending a background check and completion of the Central Police Services Police Academy.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Middaugh to hire Maria Westphal as a part-time Police Officer pending a background check and completion of the Central Police Services Police Academy as per the recommendation of the Police, Fire, and Emergency Services Committee be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

Chairman of the Celebration Committee Kathy Capan came before the Board to give an update on the July 4th Celebration events. The celebration in general was a huge success, however, her main objective was to say that the whole event including the Fireworks display has grown bigger than the current Committee can manage as safety is always the main concern when planning these events. She may reach out to other organizations in the Community to see if they are interested in offering any help with firework display parking or parade assistance. There will be a meeting this Saturday to go over things to improve for next year such as roads closing earlier than normal, more designated handicap parking, more porta-potties, golf carts from Leisurewood Campground, etc. She also wanted to thank the Village Board, Village Hall Staff, DPW and the APD for all their help and support. Lastly, she mentioned that the next celebration is the New Year's Eve ball drop. She

wondered if the Board or DPW could help with finding a way to have the ball drop in Russell Park from some sort of a pole that could be used for a flag during the rest of the year. More to follow.

Trustee Norton wanted to publicly thank Kathy Capan and her Committee for a great job planning, organizing and running this year's celebration. As a new member of the Celebration Committee, he had no idea how much work it takes to pull off such an event on a yearly basis.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to go into an executive session regarding the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation at 5:50 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

Village Attorney Borden entered the meeting at 6:03 pm.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to come out of the executive session regarding the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation at 6:45 pm be and hereby is approved.

BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH DARIN S. SCHULTZ

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the amended Intermunicipal Agreement Relative to Village of Akron Police Services for the Town of Newstead as per the recommendation of the Police, Fire, and Emergency Services Committee be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

On motion of Norton and seconded by Schultz at 6:55 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

MAYOR

CLERK