RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Perry 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 6:05 pm be and hereby is approved.

| BRIAN T. PERRY | - AYE |
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| E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
| MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH | - AYE |
| DARIN S. SCHULTZ | - AYE |
| JOHN W. NORTON | - AYE |
| | E. PETER FORRESTEL MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH DARIN S. SCHULTZ |

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Schultz to come out of the executive session regarding the medical, financial, credit, 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 7:03 pm be and hereby is approved.

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

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:05 pm. Present: Mayor: Brian T. Perry; Trustees: E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Darin S. Schultz, and John W. Norton; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings, Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 21, 2024 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

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

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Schultz 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 | \$ 32,936.73 | |
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| Electric Fund | \$ 123,245.71 | |
| Water Fund | \$ 20,718.84 | |
| Sewer Fund | \$ 20,081.96 | |
| Capital Projects | \$ 12,724.51 | |
| ADOPTED | BRIAN T. PERRY E. PETER FORRESTEL MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH DARIN S. SCHULTZ JOHN W. NORTON | - AYE - AYE - AYE - AYE - AYE |

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

| Living Beautiful Antiques | 77 Main St | New Business | \$50.00 |
|---------------------------|------------|--------------------|---------|
| | ADOPTED | BRIAN T. PERRY | - AYE |
| | | E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
| | | DARIN S. SCHULTZ | - AYE |
| | | JOHN W. NORTON | - 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:

| LJS Fitness Training | 81 Buell St | New Business | \$50.00 |
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| Mike Neelon | 3 Brodie's W | ay Pad | \$50.00 |
| Dawn Borchert | 60 East Ave | Sewer Repair | \$50.00 |
| | ADOPTED | BRIAN T. PERRY | - AYE |
| | | E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
| | | MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH | - AYE |
| | | DARIN S. SCHULTZ | - AYE |
| | | JOHN W. NORTON | - AYE |

PUBLIC HEARING - None

APPEARANCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – Resident Kay Green asked the Board to support the Proclamation that November is national American Indian Heritage Month.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Middaugh that the Village Board will support and sign the Proclamation claiming November as National American Indian Heritage Month be and hereby is approved.

| ADOPTED | BRIAN T. PERRY | - AYE |
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| | E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
| | MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH | - AYE |
| | DARIN S. SCHULTZ | - AYE |
| | JOHN W. NORTON | - AYE |
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PROJECT REPORTS -

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade - Nothing New

Electric Substation Upgrade – RFP has been advertised and due back by November 26, 2024 at 2 pm. Public Works Manager Cummings reported that five different companies attended the pre-bid walkthrough November 1, 2024.

State Street Bridge – Nothing New

East Avenue Water/Sewer Line Replacement – Mayor Perry reported meeting with the County last week to discuss the schedule for this project. The Board is hoping to begin the water/sewer line replacement in 2026 and the County stated they were farther out with their budget to complete the road work.

Water Tank Improvements – waiting on MRB agreement.

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Departments -

VILLAGE ATTORNEY – Reported: continuing to propose establishing a conservation easement at the Water Plant and along the transmission line. More to follow.

CLERK – submitted report for September 2024. Reported: Will complete the relevy of all unpaid Village tax balances to Erie County this week; successfully completed and submitted

the 2025-2026 CDBG application for the West Shore Bike Path Extension & Pavilion project with the help of Public Works Manager Cummings and Trustee Forrestel.

CHIEF OF POLICE – Excused Absence.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER – reported: Leaf season is here and the crews are out every day; Sewer Plant Operator Robby Lucia is out with a broken arm; Salter is having maintenance completed; new skilled laborer Bo Caton started today November 4th; updated the Board on the Bloomingdale Ave accident involving 2 electric poles; will have a debriefing meeting with APD, AFC, DPW and Emergency Managers regarding the incident.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – reported: getting back into the rhythm after extended leave of absence; working on Fire Inspections; discussions on changes for his report and temporary sign/sign verbiage needed for enforcement.

AKRON FIRE COMPANY – reported at the earlier work session.

Elected Officials -

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Norton — reported: Recently attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Emergency Trailers that both the Village and Town purchased and thanked the Emergency Managers who set up the inventory within those trailers, also suggested setting up a budget line for future supplies and to replace inventory when needed; continue to work toward establishing a Memo of Understanding with other safe zones in the Village/Town for any future emergency/disasters.

Trustee Forrestel – reported: HR Committee is still waiting for the DPW list of topics in regard to the Union Contract negotiations; Attended the Finance Committee meeting on October 31, 2024 where Village Auditors Drescher & Malecki gave their audit review.

Mayor Perry – reported: Great job of all departments involved in the Bloomingdale Ave Pole accident; Congratulated Fred Bedford on his retirement and thanked him for 38 years of service to the Village, also thanked the Clerk's office for the hosting the celebration and purchase of gifts.

Trustee Middaugh – Nothing new to report.

Trustee Schultz – Nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Eckerson Avenue Property Development – Clerk DeTine reported that the CDBG application was submitted today. Trustee Forrestel has received one quote so far for the timber framed shelter for this project, waiting for two more quotes.

American Legion/LL Tillman – Corner of Clinton Ave and Eckerson Ave – Attorney/Board conducting a review of the contract. Requested an Executive Session.

Electric Rate Case – Treasurer Michel still gathering information for PLM.

Russell Park Shelter – Currently looking for funding from local organizations to repair or rebuild the shelter.

NEW BUSINESS -

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to accept the quote from Tokio Marine HCC in the amount of \$112,312.36 for the Village of Akron 2025 insurance coverage be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED BRIAN T. PERRY - AYE E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE

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

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> –

Letter from Northern Erie Sno-Seekers requesting the use of the West Shore Line bike path for their 2024-2025 Snowmobiling Season.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to accept the agreement with the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers for the 2024-2025 winter season providing the proper paperwork is provided to the Village Office.

WHEREAS, the Village of Akron has received a request from the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., to use a portion of the Bike Path in the Village of Akron for snowmobile use:

WHEREAS, the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., contacted the Village Board through a letter received on October 25, 2024 to renew their permission to use a portion of the Bike Path in the Village of Akron for snowmobile use:

NOW, THEREFORE, A RESOLUTION, duly moved by Folger, seconded by Middaugh, based on information submitted by the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., and upon the Village's review, the Village Board authorizes the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., to use the Bike Path within the Village of Akron from December 9, 2024 through April 1, 2025, subject to random enforcement of speed, unreasonable noise and DWI, be and hereby is approved by the Village Board, subject to the following:

- 1. That the Village Board does hereby authorize the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., to use the Bike Path beginning at Cedar Street and running southwest to Clarence Center Road, along a route that shall be specifically marked out by the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., and approved by the Village of Akron Superintendent of Public Works,
- a. The Northern Erie Sno-Seekers must provide the Village with proof of liability coverage naming the Village of Akron as additional insured in an amount satisfactory to the Village. If such coverage is part of blanket coverage for all snowmobile clubs throughout the State of New York, the Village of Akron must be specifically named as an additional insured on such policy.
- b. The Northern Erie Sno-Seekers must provide the Village with an updated copy of its certificate of incorporation and by-laws and of its rules and regulations for operation of snowmobiles on trails maintained by them.
- c. The Northern Erie Sno-seekers will provide to the Village an indemnification agreement holding the Village harmless and defending the Village from all property damages and personal injuries occasioned by the activities of the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, their members, agents, invitees, or employees on any Village lands during the term of the agreement to use the Bike Path.
- d. The use of the right-of-way shall begin on the last day of deer hunting season and shall terminate on April 1, 2025.
- e. The Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc. must cooperate with the Village to clearly mark the trail, which trail shall be located off the paved portions of the Bike Path and post speed limits and rules and regulations governing the use of the trails, satisfactory to the Village.
- f. The Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc., shall use the Bike Path in a manner that allows for the use of the same facilities by others, including hikers and cross-country skiers.
- g. The Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc. shall use their best efforts to avoid damage to Village property, injury to individuals, or excessive noise.
- h. Failure to abide by all these conditions may result in the Village Board's withdrawal or rescinding of the consent of the Village to use the Bike Path.
 - 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Letter from the Akron Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to use Main Street and Russell Park as well as assistance from APD and AFC for the Light Up Akron Event on December 14, 2024.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to allow the Akron Chamber of Commerce the use of Main Street, Russell Park, as well as assistance from the APD and AFC for the Light Up Akron Event on December 14, 2024 be and hereby is approved.

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

Letter from the Celebration Committee requesting the use of Russell Park and the presence of the Akron Police/Akron Fire Company during the Community New Year's Eve/ball drop Festivities.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to approve the request from the Akron Celebration Committee for the use of Russell Park and the Akron Police/Akron Fire Company presence during the Community New Year's Eve/ball drop Festivities be and hereby is approved.

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

Letter from NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation informing the Village of Akron that a \$2.7 million dollar grant has been awarded for the East Avenue Sewer Line Replacement project.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Brian Murray thanked the Village Board on behalf of the Veterans for all their helped with issues of disability checks for Veterans.

Attorney Borden asked for a moment of silence to honor Jean Bassinger who recently passed, she was an ACS Home Economics Teacher who taught him so many practical, meaningful, useful everyday tasks that have stayed with him to this day.

Trustee Forrestel asked for a moment of silence for Trustee Schultz's father-in-law Louis Jendresky and prayers and support for the entire family.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Schultz 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 8:29 pm be and hereby is approved.

| ADOPTED | E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
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| | MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH | - AYE |
| | DARIN S. SCHULTZ | - AYE |
| | JOHN W. NORTON | - AYE |

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Perry to come out of the executive session regarding the medical, financial, credit, 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 8:58 pm be and hereby is approved.

| ADOPTED | E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
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| | MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH | - AYE |
| | DARIN S. SCHULTZ | - AYE |
| | JOHN W. NORTON | - AYE |

| ADJO | On motion URNED. | of | Middaugh | and | seconded | by | Schultz | at | 8:59 | pm | this | meeting | was |
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