

January 27, 2025

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:02 p.m. Present: Deputy Michael R. Middaugh, Trustees: Darin S. Schultz, and John W. Norton; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, and Treasurer Sarah Michel.

The Deputy Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Norton and seconded by Middaugh that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 6, 2025 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz 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	\$	96,849.29
Electric Fund	\$	174,823.75
Water Fund	\$	34,483.47
Sewer Fund	\$	47,026.83

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

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

Akron Boy Scouts	Various locations	Temp Sign Permit	\$0.00
Village of Akron	43 East Ave	Pole Barn	\$0.00
Mary Nanni	55 East Ave	Sanitary Sewer	\$200.00
Deborah Anderson	19 Shepard Ave	Sanitary Sewer	\$100.00
Brandon Chase	42 Cedar St	Sanitary Sewer	\$100.00

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton that the following applications for a Dumpster Permit be and hereby are approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of permit fee:

Perry's Ice Cream	1 Ice Cream Plaza	Renewal	\$300.00
Ford Gum	18 Newton Ave	Renewal	\$50.00
Saxon Weil	27 Jackson St	Renewal	\$100.00
Kurt Feitshans	Lewis Rd Apartments	Renewal	\$50.00
Candy Apple	81 Buell St	Renewal	\$100.00

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Norton and seconded by Schultz that the following applications for a Plumbers License for the year 2025 be and hereby are approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual license fee of \$75.00:

Nathaniel Price	Corfu, NY	Renewal	\$75.00
James Macken	Lancaster, NY	Renewal	\$75.00

Salvatore Alaimo Buffalo, NY Renewal \$75.00

PUBLIC HEARING – Pubic Hearing to be re-scheduled for February 24, 2025 at 7pm.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to move the scheduled Public Hearing regarding Local Law #1 of 2025 – Sewer Code amendment from February 3, 2025 to February 24, 2025 at 7:00 pm be and hereby is approved.

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

APPEARANCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – David Farron from 5691 Crittenden Rd came before the Board to ask them to please investigate the Village Water Tank overflow leaking onto his property which is located next door to the water tank. The problem has been an issue for some time, and he would like it fixed.

PROJECT REPORTS –

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade – Nothing new to report.

Electric Substation Upgrade – Deputy Mayor Middaugh recommended the approval of the Ferguson Electric Bid Proposal to install the 115 KV Disconnect Switch, switchgear and structural steel for the Electric Substation Upgrade in the amount of \$2,152,800.00

RESOLUTION duly moved by Norton and seconded by Schultz to approve the Bid Proposal from Ferguson Electric to install the 115 KV Disconnect Switch, switchgear and structural steel for the Electric Substation Upgrade in the amount of \$2,152,800.00 be and hereby is approved.

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

State Street Bridge – Nothing new to report.

East Avenue Water/Sewer Line Replacement – Nothing new to report.

Water Tank Improvements – Nothing new to report.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

TREASURER – submitted report for December 2024. Reported: Has sent answers to all questions asked of by PLM for the electric rate case; the new payroll MCSJ software will be active by the middle to late February; security cameras for the Village office will be installed by the end of February.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Norton – reported: attended a Celebration Committee meeting where discussion was held about possibly placing large rocks around the perimeter of Veterans Park for safety reasons, also possibility of having porta-potties on site for the July 4th event. Lastly the Celebration Committee Treasurer, Peter Henley, is retiring and the Committee is looking for his replacement.

Trustee Forrestel – Excused Absence.

Mayor Perry – Excused Absence.

Trustee Middaugh – In reference to the correspondence from Modern Disposal regarding the annual cost increase, will it affect the current garbage rate? Treasurer Michel stated that Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Holland is working on a spreadsheet to give us a better picture of what the potential increase would need to be.

Trustee Schultz – reported: Attended a meeting with APD, AFC and Emergency Managers and Town of Newstead regarding the July 4th celebration for 2025.

OLD BUSINESS –

Eckerson Avenue Property Development – Nothing new to report.

American Legion/LL Tillman – Corner of Clinton Ave and Eckerson Ave – Attorney Borden reported that Trustee Forrestel will have follow-up at the next Board meeting.

Electric Rate Case – As per her report earlier, Treasurer Michel stated that she has supplied PLM answers to all their questions presented thus far.

Russell Park Shelter – Nothing new.

NEW BUSINESS –

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to adopt the current 2020 NYS/International Building Code as per the recommendation of the Code Enforcement Officer be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Norton to allow Sewer Plant Operator Robert Lucia to carry over 37 hours of vacation time to be used by April 22, 2025 as per the recommendation of Public Works Manager Jon Cummings be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to approve the Legal Services Agreement with Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP to perform all legal services necessary to the issuance of bonds for the construction of improvements to the sanitary sewer collection system along East Avenue, through the United State Department of Agriculture Rural Development, in the amount of \$12,000 be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to approve the Legal Services Agreement with Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP to perform all legal services necessary to the issuance of bonds for the construction of improvements to the East Avenue water main system, though the United State Department of Agriculture Rural Development. in the amount of \$12,000 be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to approve Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP as bond counsel in connection with the financing of construction of improvement to the sanitary sewer collection system along East Avenue through the Environmental Facilities Corporation in the amount not to exceed of \$16,500.00 be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Schultz to approve Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP as bond counsel in connection with financing of construction of improvement to the existing Crittenden Road Water Tower, including related work through the Environmental Facilities Corporation in the amount not to exceed \$16,500.00 be and hereby is approved.

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

CORRESPONDENCE –

Letter from Erie County Department of Environment and Planning notifying the Village that the West Shore Bike Path Extension and Pavilion project was not recommended for funding.

Letter from Modern Disposal regarding contracted yearly rate increase.

NYCOM's Preliminary Summary of Governor Hochul's 2025-2026 Executive Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mobile Home Resident Kay Green informed the Board that progress has been made with the lawsuit regarding the rent increase from Cook Mobile Home Park. Also, recycling has been included again with the garbage pick-up.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

On motion of Middaugh and seconded by Norton at 7:25 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

DEPUTY TO THE DEPUTY MAYOR

CLERK