

April 20, 2026

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel 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 6:39 pm be and hereby is approved.

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

At 7:10 pm the Board agreed to pause the Executive Session and reconvene after the regular meeting.

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:11 pm. Present: Mayor Brian T. Perry; Trustees: E. Peter Forrestel, Darin S. Schultz, and John W. Norton; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Treasurer Sarah Michel, and Police Chief Richard Lauricella.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Norton and seconded by Schultz that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 6, 2026 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

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

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel 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	\$	8,994.91
Electric Fund	\$	62,727.88
Water Fund	\$	3,591.87
Sewer Fund	\$	2,317.02
Capital Projects	\$	83,211.90

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

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

Thomas Whitbeck	81 Cedar St	Pole Barn	\$640.00
Rick Dojnik	5 Indianola Ave	Porch Repair	\$192.00
Thomas Brady	27 Front St	4 Season, Storage, Porch	\$297.50
Doug Lewis	146 Skyline Dr	Roof	\$50.00
Greg Bell	16 Bloomingdale	Roof	\$50.00
Kathy Campbell	82 John St	Roof	\$50.00
Charles Best	133 Skyline Dr	Sanitary Sewer	\$100.00

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 applications for a Dumpster Permit be and hereby are approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of permit fee:

Daniel Borchert	81 Eckerson Ave	Temporary	\$50.00
Rick Dojnik	5 Indianola Ave	Temporary	\$50.00
Doug Lewis	146 Skyline Dr	Temporary	\$50.00

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

PUBLIC HEARING – 2026-2027 Village Budget – a Public Hearing was held at this time to hear any and all persons for the purpose of addressing the 2026-2027 tentative Village Budget. Clerk DeTine read the Proof of Publication and asked if anyone wished to speak. Mayor Perry stated that the Board completed the budget in two meetings which was great considering all the increases such as DPW, Police, and Akron Fire Company Contract renewals, increase in insurances, increase in refuse pickup as well as all the increases in general. He gave a history of the past tax rates per thousand for the Village and examples of what the dollar amount increase would be on different valued homes. He stated the Village Board did their best to keep the rate low and still be able to provide quality services.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Schultz to close the Public Hearing regarding the 2026-2027 tentative Village Budget be and hereby is closed at 7:18 pm.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T PERRY	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	DARRIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Schultz to adopt the proposed Budget for the Village of Akron for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2026 and ending May 31, 2027, with the Village property tax rate set at \$5.30 per thousand be and hereby is approved.

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

PUBLIC HEARING – Local Law #2 for 2026 - E-Bike Legislation – a Public Hearing was held at this time to hear any and all persons for the purpose of addressing the Local Law #2 for 2026 – E-Bike Legislation. Clerk DeTine read the Proof of Publication and asked if anyone wished to speak. Trustee Schultz explained the need for the law mostly for safety reasons as users are riding on the sidewalks and using excessive speed. Chief Lauricella and Attorney Borden explained that the Village needs a mechanism to control the use of the E-bikes especially for under aged riders. Akron Chamber Chairman Murray thanked the Board for presenting this legislation as Cruise /West Shore Farm Market nights have had several issues with E-bikes in the past. Sue Schrock from SMFX store appreciates this new legislation as she has had issues with E-bikes riding on the Main Street Business District sidewalks and creating dangerous occurrences. ACS Superintendent Taylor also appreciates the proposed law as issues with these E-bikes have come up at the school as well.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Forrestel to close the Public Hearing regarding the Local Law #2 for 2026 – E-Bike Legislation be and hereby is closed at 7:28 pm.

ADOPTED	BRIAN T PERRY	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	DARRIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to adopt the Local Law #2 for 2026 - E-Bike Legislation as per the Police, Fire, and Emergency Services Committee and Police Chief Richard Lauricella be and hereby is approved.

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

APPEARANCE – Akron Central School Superintendent Andrea Taylor stated she will be at the next Village Board meeting to promote the budget for ACS.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Akron Chamber of Commerce Chairman Murray came before the Board to ask about the proposed changes to the Schedule of Fees pertaining to Village Parks and new application.

#### PROJECT REPORTS –

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade – Nothing new.

Electric Substation Upgrade – Still waiting to hear on the PON grant.

State Street Bridge – Recently signed and mailed out the easement to Erie County.

East Avenue Water/Sewer Line Replacement – Mayor Perry reported still working with Legislator Green to schedule a meeting with Erie County Commissioner of Public Works Bill Geary to discuss working together in regard to this project such as completing the road work directly after completing the infrastructure.

Water Tank Improvements – Village Representatives, Andrew Borden, Jon Cummings, Tom Whitbeck and Jayne DeTine, Village Insurance Agent Adam Burg, and MRB Group Matt McKenna and Ryan McMullan had a conference call regarding required insurances to include as part of the construction bid.

#### MONTHLY REPORTS –

##### Departments –

TREASURER – Treasurer Michel submitted her report for March 2026. Reported: Working with the PSC on the update to the fee schedule for LED Street lighting; Working with Debbie at the DPW to catch up on Electric day sheets which were delayed until the DPW Union contract was signed and will be needed to present for the electric rate case; sent in all paperwork to the Start Comptroller for the budget, and once Board approves the final budget will send that approved budget to the State too.

Mayor Perry stated the budget was completed in two meetings, and thanked Treasurer Michel for the great job preparing the draft budget and keeping everyone on track to complete the whole budget in two meetings. Great job Sarah!

##### Elected Officials –

#### TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Norton – reported: attended the Celebration Committee meeting held last Saturday regarding the Memorial Day ceremony and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July/250 Year Anniversary events. July 3<sup>rd</sup> events at Veterans Park are the Akron Community Band and the fireworks. More to follow.

Trustee Forrestel – reported: Discussed tree removal for this Spring and plantings for this Fall. Met with Woodstream Nursery representatives regarding design ideas for the new flagpole area.

Mayor Perry – reported earlier under Project Reports.

Trustee Middaugh – Excused Absence.

Trustee Schultz – reported: Safety meeting scheduled for Wednesday April 29, 2026 to discuss upcoming events. Still working on a draft for the Wind, Solar, Battery Storage Moratorium Legislation.

OLD BUSINESS

West Shore Property Development – finishing work to continue when the weather breaks.

American Legion/LL Tillman – Attorney Borden will contact the Legion Attorney.

Electric Rate Case – Treasurer Michel mentioned in her report earlier.

Russell Park Shelter – Trustee Forrestel stated the roof has been replace, next step electric outlets and lighting. Lions Club Members will be putting in the ceiling and final finishes to the structure.

Solar, Wind, Battery Storage Moratoriums – Nothing new.

E-Bike Legislation – Approved earlier during Public Hearings.

Fence Code Amendment – Clerk DeTine stated this will be part of the Zoning Code Update project.

Wastewater Maintenance Agreements – Nothing new.

NEW BUSINESS –

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to approve the amendment to extend the First Amendment Agreement with Erie County for another year for our Zoning Upgrade Grant be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Schultz to approve the proposal in the amount of \$5,500.00 from MRB Group for Engineering Services to update the Water Treatment Plant Engineering Report to be ready for any future grant funding be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry to approve the hire of Anthony Dyrbala for the Water Plant Operator position starting May 1, 2026 at Grade 10 Hire Rate as per the recommendation of the HR Committee and Public Works Manager Jon Cummings be and hereby is approved.

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

RESOLUTION – Update Fee Schedule and Village Parks Application – Tabled.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to authorize the NYMPA Board of Directors and the Electric Utilities Association of NYS to be the voting delegates for the Village of Akron at the joint MEUA and NYMPA Semi-Annual meeting scheduled for May 21-22, 2026 be and hereby is approved.

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

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Karen Howard from Senator Gallivan’s office came to visit. After hearing of proposed projects in the Village, she recommended we reach out to Senator Gallivan for possible help in funding them.

Akron Central School Superintendent Andrea Taylor wanted to express her thanks to Senator Gallivan for all his help. She also stated that the new sports complex will be ready to host the ACS football game scheduled for September 4, 2026. Lastly, she mentioned that the School is holding a School Care Day where students will go out in the community and do odd jobs. If the Village has any need for students help on that day, please contact her.

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

At 8:30 pm the Village Board reconvened the Executive Session opened before the regular meeting.

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, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation at 8:59 pm be and hereby is approved.

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

On motion of Perry and seconded by Schultz at 9:00 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

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MAYOR

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CLERK