

May 4, 2026

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:04 pm. Present: Mayor: Brian T. Perry; Trustees: E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Darin S. Schultz and John Norton; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Chief of Police Richard Lauricella, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings, and Code Enforcement Officer Paul Trybuskiewicz.

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 20, 2026 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

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

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh and 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	\$	43,946.86
Electric Fund	\$	47,075.38
Water Fund	\$	5,870.41
Sewer Fund	\$	14,510.94
Capital Projects	\$	8,460.00

ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- 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
Akron Fire Company	1 Main St	Replace steps/ramp	\$0.00
John Myers	8 Brodies Way	Fence	\$50.00
Kathleen Lyons	41 Main St	New Business/Crafty Kathie	\$50.00
Friends of Limerick	Various locations	Temporary Sign	\$0.00
Newstead Fire Company	Various locations	Temporary Sign	\$0.00

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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Forrestel that the following application for a Plumbers License for the year 2026 be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual license fee of \$75.00:

Brian Hammond	Clarence Ctr, NY	New	\$75.00
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ADOPTED	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton that the following application for a Sidewalk Cafe License for the year 2026 be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual license fee of \$50.00:

Market on Main Street	57 Main St	Annual	\$50.00
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ADOPTED	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	DARIN S. SCHULTZ	- AYE
	JOHN W. NORTON	- AYE

Mayor Perry abstained from voting.

PUBLIC HEARING – None

APPEARANCE – Akron Central School Superintendent Andrea Taylor, District Business Administrator Paul Kowalski, and ACS Board of Education President Erik Polkowski came before the Board to give a presentation of the proposed 2026-2027 District Budget. Reminded all that May 19, 2026 is voting day at the school.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

PROJECT REPORTS –

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade – Nothing new.

Electric Substation Upgrade – All concrete pads have been poured except one.

State Street Bridge – Signed Easement to work on Erie County property during construction has been sent to be filed with the County.

East Avenue Water/Sewer Line Replacement – Public Works Manager Cummings stated that the surveys are complete. Need a design to remove the sewer lines in the rear of some East Ave properties and move them to the front of the properties.

Water Tank Improvements – Required insurances have been incorporated into the bid.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

VILLAGE ATTORNEY – Thankful for the Village services of yard and brush pick-up.

CLERK – submitted report for April 2026. Reported – Attended MAOA meeting with Treasurer Michel in North Collins on April 8, 2026; Reminder that all water, sewer, refuse balances not paid by May 20th will go on the 2026-2027 Village taxes; scheduled the organizations for “Pies in the Park” in the Russell Park shelter for the Akron Community Band concert; attended the Planning Board meeting on April 27, 2026; Along with Treasurer Michel submitted the ARPA report for 2026; Reminder – Household Hazardous Waste/Electronic Recycling/Shred-it event is scheduled for May 16, 2026 at the Joint DPW facility from 9:00 am – noon..

CHIEF OF POLICE – submitted report for April 2026 and a schedule for May 2026. Reported: Reminder to secure car and homes as there is an uptick in crime in nearby communities; Coverage for all upcoming events have been scheduled; mentioned that the license plate readers can help with the two-hour parking enforcement.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER – reported: the concrete for the sidewalk in front of the Octagon House was poured today; Yard waste pickup will be pushed to Tuesday due to the pouring of the Octagon House sidewalk; Sewer Dept will be scoping the lines on East Ave to see if some of them could be lined instead of fully replaced.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – submitted report for April 2026. Reported: Caught up on closing out old permits and working on Ford Gum plan reviews. Attended Flood Management training in Utica, NY this past week.

AKRON FIRE COMPANY – Reported in Work Session held earlier.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Norton – Nothing to report.

Trustee Forrestel – reported: visited the DPW crew at the sidewalk project in front of the Octagon House, nice job; the dead maple tree in Russell Park has been removed and the two horse chestnuts will be removed in the near future; received a quote and sketch from Woodstream Nurseries for the area around the new flagpole in Russell Park; lastly pointed out the appropriate yard waste pickup cans which were displayed in the Board room.

Mayor Perry – reported: Attended, along with Trustee Forrestel the Association of Erie County Governments meeting held April 22, 2026 where the speaker was Erie County Clerk Michel Kearns.

Trustee Middaugh – reported: moving to finish the Russell Park Shelter with lighting and finishes to the interior with the help of the Village Electric crew and the Lions Club Members.

Trustee Schultz – reported: attended the Safety meeting for all the upcoming events and will attend the next meeting scheduled for June 10, 2026.

OLD BUSINESS

West Shore Property Development – Waiting on weather to complete paving, concrete in the shelter and landscaping.

American Legion/LL Tillman – Both Village Attorney Borden and Legion Representative Murray have not been able to reach the Legion’s Attorney.

Electric Rate Case – Nothing new.

Russell Park Shelter – Trustee Middaugh reported on this earlier.

Solar, Wind, Battery Storage Moratoriums – Trustee Schultz is working on the draft for the Village.

Fence Code Amendment – Nothing new.

Wastewater Maintenance Agreements – Nothing new.

Russell Park/West Shore Park – Application and fees – Tabled.

NEW BUSINESS –

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to authorize the Board of the Village of Akron to relevy all unpaid water, sewer, and refuse balances as of Wednesday May 20, 2026 onto the 2026-2027 Village Taxes 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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2026-2027 Village Tax Warrant 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

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to approve the purchase in the amount not to exceed \$14,000.00 to National Grid for the third electric transformer for the substation as per the recommendation of Public Works Manager Jon Cummings 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

CORRESPONDENCE –

Letter from County Executive Mark Poloncarz regarding the cost of proposed Motor Fuel Sales Tax Exemption for the Village of Akron.

Letters from Charter Communications regarding broadcast changes.

Letter from the Akron Chamber of Commerce requesting use of Main St for the Thursday night Car Shows and Russell Park for the Farmers Market during the car shows; assistance from the Akron Police Dept for street closure with no parking from Church St to Buffalo St, and traffic barricades.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Schultz to approve the request from the Akron Chamber of Commerce for the following: use of Main St for the Thursday night car shows and Russell Park for the Farmers Market during the car shows; assistance from the Akron Police Dept for street closure with no parking from Church St to Buffalo St, and traffic barricades be and hereby is approved pending submittal of IAP forms for the Emergency Manager.

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

Letter from the Akron Chamber of Commerce requesting use of Main Street and Russell Park for the Annual Sidewalk Sale scheduled for June 20, 2026. Also requesting Akron Police assistance with closing Main Street from Church St to Buffalo St from 6:00 am - 4:00 pm and to allow the Village Electric Crew to hang the banner over Main Street.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and Middaugh to approve the request from the Akron Chamber of Commerce for the following: use of Main Street and Russell Park for the Annual Sidewalk Sale scheduled for June 20, 2026. Also requesting Akron Police assistance with closing Main Street from Church St to Buffalo St from 6:00 am - 4:00 pm and to allow the Village Electric Crew to hang the banner over Main Street be and hereby is approved pending submittal of IAP forms for the Emergency Manager.

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

Letter from the LL Tillman Post requesting the use of Russell Park and Akron Police assistance for traffic control, closing of Main St with No Parking from Church St to Clinton St for the Memorial Day Observances scheduled for May 25, 2026.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Schultz and seconded by Norton to approve the LL Tillman Post request for the use of Russell Park, Akron Police assistance for traffic control, closing of Main St with no parking from Church St to Clinton St for the Memorial Day Observances scheduled for May 25, 2026 be and hereby is approved pending submittal of IAP forms for the Emergency Manager.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT – Akron Mobile Home resident Kay Green mentioned that the legislation is going to the Governor for approval to hold Mobile Park rent increases to 3% unless they can substantiate a reason for a higher percentage.

Akron Central School Superintendent Andrea Taylor wanted to publicly thank the Akron Police Department and the Akron Fire Company for all their help during the First Bike Bus to be held on May 15, 2026. Also, she mentioned it is Teacher Appreciation Week this week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

On motion of Perry and seconded by Schultz at 8:00 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

MAYOR

CLERK