

A joint meeting of the Town of Newstead and Village of Akron Boards was held on January 23, 2006 at the Akron Village Hall.

Present: Town Board Members
 Supervisor David Cummings Town Engineer Andrew Casolini
 Councilman Harold Finger Town Attorney Nathan Neill
 Councilman Mark Decker Town Clerk Dawn Izydorczak
 Highway Supt. Mike Bassanello

Village Board Members
 Mayor Ray Perkins Village Attorney Don Shonn
 Trustee Carl Patterson Village Clerk Dan Borchert
 Trustee Peter Forrestel DPW Supt. Bob Kowalik
 Trustee Mike Middaugh
 Trustee Bill Kaufman

The Boards convened at approximately 8:55pm at the Village Hall with the Supervisor & Mayor calling the meeting to order.

Joint Facility Study- Andrew updated both boards on the project. Interviews have been completed of the Town & Village department heads and facilities. The Concept of Operation is next step. They are meeting the first week of February. An advisory committee will attend the meeting with suggestions from other facilities in other towns. Schematic designs are next step. There will be 3 concept designs. A public outreach will be held to allow public opinion. Additional sites have been suggested and will be looked at. Grant funding increases may be possible due to recent reports out of Albany. They are hoping for a June wrap-up of this phase.

Police Garage- The Supervisor stated we may piggy back this project with the joint highway facility project proposal. Councilman Finger and Trustee Patterson both stated they would like to keep this a separate concept and several others agreed. The needs on this project have not even been addressed yet and they are looking at all avenues of where to locate this project. Input is still needed from the NYS Troopers also. Trustee Forrestel stated he believes generally a 4-bay garage type building is needed. This would provide 2 bays for the troopers cars and 2 bays for the village cars. The building would have to be deep enough to also house ATV's, bicycles and other storage areas used by both police forces. It should also have some type of heating in the floors to keep the building a consistent temperature in the winter months. A committee of two members from each board will meet to begin talks on this project.

Sewer Treatment Facility – The Supervisor stated that the Town is interested in being able to assist in and explore ideas to enhance the Villages current system through joint funding projects and grant monies. The Tow Board would like to open a dialogue for future possibilities of extension of the sewer system into the town areas surrounding the village. The Mayor stated great strides have been

made on improvements to the sewer plant facility in the past 2 years. The DEC is very pleased with the progress on the plant and they have received some good reports. The Village is under a building moratorium thru February and the DEC will determine whether or not it is extended for 6 more months. An outside contractor is now running the plant and advising the Village on its operation.

Drainage Concerns-

***Aakron Rule:** Andrew stated updates are needed on the enforcement action. This is a priority project for the drainage board for 2006 that will affect from Cedar Street all the way back up to the school property. The second building constructed in 2000 changed the initial plan. An easement/restriction in the property records needs to be addressed. Attorney Shonn stated the enforcement action has not been started yet. They are still looking for the original permit records. This is going to be a main drainage way and these items need to be addressed soon.

***Bob Scheib's Letter on Akron Falls Park dam:** The Supervisor stated he met with Mr. Scheib regarding his concerns. Both boards agreed neither of them has jurisdiction in this matter however, they both intend on writing and calling everyone at the County level they need to to get some action on this and several other park matters. Trustee Forrestel stated he runs through he area regularly and the garbage cans throughout the park are all full and trash is blowing all over. The picnic tables and park equipment was never put away and there are several trees that have fallen over and are creating hazardous conditions for anyone who might be in the park. The Village has some leverage with the County in the Brooklyn Park area. Both the Mayor and Supervisor will make phone calls and send letters to Angelo Sedita and Mike Ranzenhofer. They will also ask for an update on the bridge repair situation.

Other:

Trustee Patterson proposed that the two municipalities try to offer a joint computer/hazardous materials recycling program like the County runs. He would like to be able to offer the drop-offs twice a year locally. They will look at the fees/costs involved in offering this service.

Andrew informed the Village that Cedar Street will be coming off the village water system in approximately 4 months. Bloomingdale Road will be coming off potentially within 2 weeks. The water tank will come on-line this summer. It holds 1.5 million gallons of water. The bowl is constructed of steel and the pedestal is constructed of concrete. It will be painted an off-white color.

Next meeting: March 20, 2006 at 8:45pm at the Town Hall. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorczak, Town Clerk