



**VILLAGE OF AKRON**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

The Village of Akron Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

**Council Members Present:** R. Huizar, M. Strasz, T. Nusz, D. Meyer, T. Tait

**Employees Present:** M. Hasso, S. Bills, D. Danielson, J. Holsapple, C. Wilson

**Motion** by T. Nusz to approve November 18th, 2025, Council meeting minutes. M. Strasz seconded the motion. All in favor 0 Nays 5 Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** by M. Strasz to approve bills, obligations and payroll as presented, totaling \$33,730.73. T. Nusz seconded the motion. All in favor 0 Nays 5 Yes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Wade MacFarlane was in attendance representing Wisner Township to move the fire coverage back to the Akron Fire Department to better serve the community. It just makes sense because Akron will have a faster response time because they are closer to the area of coverage. We would like to get this done as soon as possible because we have a March deadline for renewal. We would just need to know how many certified firefighters are in the department and make sure the department is up to date on their filing with the state. The final say in this matter is up to the council. R. Huizar said we are not opposed to the idea of returning the Wisner area sections back to the Akron fire department.

**Police Report:** We are still very visible; it is still calm in town. We are in the center of an animal control situation being handled now. I would like to be able to order new badges for the department. I would also like some discussion on a new DPW building because the old building is in need of some dire repairs. As a council I would like you to consider a new building. We did get new tires for the Explorer which were needed badly.

Quotes were presented one for \$1000.00 from Stephens tire in Caro and one for \$633.60 at Poms Tire in Flint.

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**Motion by:** T. Nusz to accept the quote for the tires on the police vehicle Explorer in the amount of \$633.60 at Pumps Tire service in Flint. All in favor with 0 Nays and 4 Yays. D. Meyer did not vote.

**Treasurers' Report:** Treasurer was on vacation. C. Wilson said that we had an MDOT meeting to discuss payment for work done by our DPW on the main road. Further details to come after we talk with MDOT. BS&A meeting with our representative went well, we are looking at going live with the tax and utilities in January 2026.

**Presidents Report:** Things are going well and we have the best employees here in the village. New banners are up in the village and look great, we would like to check on some lights and garland for them next year just to make them stand out a little more. Cameras for the park are still unfinished business that we need to discuss. Someone did do donuts at the park again and out on Judd Rd. This is an ongoing problem, so we really need to do something to catch whoever is doing this. Fire department burnt the pile out on Judd Rd. Christmas party on December 14<sup>th</sup> was fun, I just wished more of our employees could have attended. Car bids for 2010 Dodge Charger are here, there are 5 of them, we will open the sealed bids now. The 1<sup>st</sup> bid was for \$751.00; the 2<sup>nd</sup> bid was for \$1000.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> bid was for \$1078.18, 4<sup>th</sup> bid was for \$1500.00 and the final and winning bid was for \$2500.00. The blue book for that car is nearly \$4000.00. Leaf pickup was not an easy task this year, but Shane did a great job fixing what he could to make the leaf pickup a success. I would like to talk about leaf sweeper options in the future. We need to discuss water shut offs during the winter months. If we must turn water service off in the months of winter, it can turn into a bit of a problem with the frozen ground and the old pipes breaking. It then turns into a major repair for the DPW. I would suggest that we do not turn water services off in the months of December, January, February and March because of the frozen ground and the delicate infrastructure of our pipes. This is also for those individuals who have water boiler heat. This does not mean that the water service customer will not get a turn off hang tag, we will have a paper trail for those individuals who do not pay their utility bill.

**Motion by:** M. Strasz to accept the bid for \$2500.00 from Stephan Zarniak for the 2010 Dodge Charger, T. Tait seconded the motion. All in favor 0 Nays and 5 Yays. Motion passed.

**Motion by:** T. Nusz to cease water service shut offs during the months of December through March because of frozen ground and infrastructure and heating issues. T. Tait seconded the motion. All in favor with 0 Nays and 5 Yays. Motion passed.

**Public Works Report:** S. Bills passed his EGLE exam and is now certified, congratulations Shane. S. Bills picked up leaves with R. Bills. He also installed new shelving at the hall, repaired a water service on Beach St, plowed and salted the streets. Shane hung all our new Christmas banners (they look great) Repaired a leak at the hall from the boiler expansion tank. Spoke with a representative about some used street sweepers.

**Fire Report:** Hydrogen Sulfide training is scheduled for January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026. We will be training with Fairgrove and splitting the cost of this training. The CPR and AED refresher classes are scheduled for February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, with Fairgrove as well. We will be applying for another Firehouse Subs grant in January. We are hoping to get an Extractor washer and dryer for our

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turnout gear. We did get this grant 3 years ago so we are able to apply again because you can apply every 3 years. We still met with Wisner to get our old sections back. Planning on having another spaghetti dinner fundraiser in February. I would like to get approval to have our SCBA bottle five year hydrotesting done as required. We have 20 bottles to be tested at a cost of \$1300.00

**Motion** by M. Srasz to approve the 20 bottles to be hydrotested at a cost of \$1300.00, supported by T. Nusz. All in favor 0 Nays 5 Yes. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report:** There will be a minimum wage increase effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 from \$12.48 to \$13.73 per hour. Our gas and diesel numbers are still looking great, thank you all. There will be cookie decorating and cocoa at the Akron Village Hall on December 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00pm until 4:00 pm all are welcome. I would need approval for 10 rolls of postage stamps in the amount of \$610.00.

**Motion by:** M. Stasz for the 10 rolls of stamps at a cost of \$610.00, T, Nusz seconded the motion. All in favor with 0 Nays and 5 Yays. Motion passed.

**Motion by:** T. Nusz to increase the minimum wage from \$12.48 to \$13.73 effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, seconded by M. Strasz. All in favor with 0 Nays and 5 Yays. Motion passed.

**Unfinished Business:** Cameras for the park.




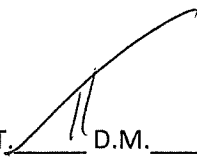
**New Business:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Motion** by T. Nusz to adjourn at 6:49 PM. M. Strasz supported the motion. All in favor 0 Nays 5 Yes Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Charlynn Wilson  
Akron Village Clerk

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