

## VILLAGE OF AKRON

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

## **NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

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

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

Employees Present: M. Mitin, M. Burke, K. Vollmar, M. Wilinski

Motion by T. Nusz to approve September 26, 2024 Special Council Meeting minutes. D. Meyer supported the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Meyer to approve October 15, 2024 Council Meeting minutes. M. Strasz supported the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Strasz to approve October 18, 2024 Special Employee Meeting minutes. D. Meyer supported the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** C. Proper commented that after the lead testing was done on the water lines there was a big hole in his driveway. R. Hill said that it would be fixed. C. Proper asked if we had a blight ordinance. R. Huizar said yes. C. Proper said he is concerned about the amount of vehicles next to him and that there were kids coming in and out and didn't want anyone to get hurt. D. Meyer said we had multiple properties that need attention.

Motion by R. Huizar to approve bills as presented, totaling \$56,754.70. M. Strasz supported the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by R. Huizar to approve the payment of obligations. M. Strasz supported the motion. Motion carried.

**President's Report:** R. Hill said to send a second certified letter for bean clean up. He said he's tried multiple times to contact attorney about 3617 Main Street.

COUNCIL APPROVAL R.H. RH, M.S. MS, D.M. T.T. 7.?.

Public Works Report: M. Burke asked if he was supposed to shut down the park. R. Huizar said that was discussed last month. R. Hill said to remove dumpster and put the chain up. M. Burke asked for a computer or laptop for DPW work instead of using his personal cell phone. He was told to set up another user on the current DPW laptop. M. Burke stated he was told by M. Hasso that it was ok to hire someone for leaf pick up, so he hired someone. There was discussion about M. Burke not having the ability to hire employees and that it should have been someone already on payroll. M. Burke asked if we were going to pay the person. R. Hill said we can't pay someone we didn't hire. R. Hill asked about the dump truck. M. Burke provided a quote to fix it. T. Nusz provided phone number to Richmond Brothers for an additional quote. D. Meyer asked if leaf pick up was done. M. Burke said no. M. Burke said the salter needed to be fixed. M. Strasz will contact Jason from Snow Works.

**Fire Report:** Council was asked to approve 2 bills for the fire department. The S&T Automotive bill was denied. Council asked for additional quotes. R. Hill said unless it was needed immediately for safety reasons.

Motion by R. Huizar to approve CJZ, Inc. bill for \$858.53 for repairs to Engine 11. M. Strasz supported the motion. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Cell phone plans for DPW and the office were presented. Office cell phones were tabled.

Motion by T. Nusz to approve new DPW phone for \$129.00 plus case and screen protector with basic plan of \$25.00. R. Huizar supported the motion. Motion carried.

Police Report: M. Mitin went through the police activity report. He told us that R. Hill has approved of the hiring of an investigator to complete a 40 hour background check. M. Mitin introduced Lisa Hill and described why she would be an asset to the Village. Lt. Lisa Hill has many certifications required to help us through State auditing. The police department needs to be compliant with LIEN guidelines. R. Hill said the previous Chief had ProTec in here often and to check for a contract with them. R. Hill asked if L. Hill can be here without Mike. L. Hill said she can as she is only performing administrative duties. D. Meyer asked L. Hill if she will be working remotely or if she needs to be on site. L. Hill said most work will be performed on site, but not all. T. Nusz asked how far back the audit is. L. Hill said 2 years.

Motion by R. Huizar to hire Lt. Lisa Hill at \$23.00 per hour. T. Nusz supported the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report: MML Liability & Property Pool renewal was tabled. D. Meyer asked clerk to call MML and see if they will prorate the insurance if it is cancelled part way through. The clerk was asked to obtain additional insurance quotes. No interest in Vassar Zoning Administrator letter. Dietzel Electric generator maintenance was tabled. The clerk was asked to obtain additional quotes. Statements and Reconciliations were presented. M. Burke's time sheets and time cards

were discussed. They need to match. M. Hasso is to show M. Burke how to do his time sheets and time cards.

Motion by R. Huizar to approve A.C.A. employment handout as part of the employment packet. T. Nusz supported the motion. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** Clerk was told to continue sending out water/sewer/trash bills that get returned. M. Burke is to call Kemp's to assist with hydrants and to get quotes on trench boxes. Cameras will have to wait until M. Mitin is available.

**New Business:** Custodian pay raise was tabled. Discussion ensued about painting and fixing the walls of the hall. R. Huizar said it would be about \$500.00 for hall only.

Motion by T. Nusz to approve of the painting and wall repair of the Akron Village Hall. D. Meyer supported the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Barb said she had to pay to have her leaves removed. She said the leaf situation was ridiculous and that there were too many excuses and to just be honest about the issues.

Motion by M. Strasz to adjourn at 8:27 PM. T. Nusz supported the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Monica Wilinski Akron Village Clerk