

February 23, 2015

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:35 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson, Trustees, E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Kathryn A. Capan and Keith A. Hatswell; Attorney Daniel D. Shonn, Clerk Treasurer Daniel P. Borchert, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings, Chief Richard Lauricella and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Capan, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 2, 2015 be and hereby is approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Hatswell seconded by Middaugh that the audit of the bills is approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay same in accordance with the following abstract of audit vouchers:

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| General Fund | \$ 30,299.78 |
| Electric Fund | \$ 245,830.96 |
| Water Fund | \$ 13,799.86 |
| Sewer Fund | \$ 23,433.62 |
| Trust & Agency | \$ 2,161.70 |

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Capan and seconded by Forrestel that the following building permit be and hereby is approved with the applications and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

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| M Middaugh/Ivan Snyder | 69 Main Street | New Business | \$50.00 |
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ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

Trustee Middaugh abstained from voting

RESOLUTION duly moved by Hatswell and seconded by Capan that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the applications and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

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| Mary Jane Shonn | 13 Bloomingdale | Rehab Bath & Bed | \$160.00 |
| Mary Jane Shonn | 13 Bloomingdale | Windows | \$100.00 |
| J Little/Lisa Riniolo | 83 Main Street | New Business | \$50.00 |
| NLSB Corp | 6 Clinton Street | Change of Operation | \$50.00 |
| Dan Borchert | 81 Eckerson Avenue | Windows/Soffits | \$150.00 |
| Steven Pautler | 21 Monroe Street | Windows/siding | \$150.00 |
| Steven Pautler | 21 Monroe Street | Inside Remodel | \$160.00 |

Jayne Little 83 Main Street Remodel Store to code \$160.00

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
 KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
 KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Hatswell that the following Applications for Dumpster Permits for the year 2015 be and hereby are approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual permit fee:

Steve Pautler 21 Monroe Street 30 Day \$50.00
Jayne Little 83 Main Street 30 Day \$50.00

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
 KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
 KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

PUBLIC HEARING – was held at this time to hear any and all persons for the purpose of addressing the Local Law #1 for 2015 - Solar, Wind or Farm Waste Energy Exemption. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert read the Proof of Publication and asked if anyone in attendance wished to speak. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert explained that the Exemption will go into effect unless the Village of Akron votes against it. The exemption is for all three Solar, Wind and Farm Energy; you cannot just choose one or two. Resident Doug Ceisner wanted to remind the Board that Solar Panels can be a hazard to firemen during a fire event.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Capan that the Public Hearing with regard to the Local Law #1 for 2015 – Solar, Wind and Farm Energy Exemption be and hereby is closed at 7:42 pm

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
 KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
 KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

APPEARANCE – Kevin Nadrowski from the Akron/Newstead Coalition against Drug & Alcohol Abuse came before the Board to ask for support and to familiarize the Board with their group. The Coalition is developing alternative activities for its youth, who are increasingly facing problems with drugs, alcohol and other destructive behavior. Due to the Village’s location, teens are limited to activities and even job opportunities. The Coalition will be holding Teen Night where fun activities, drug conversations, and pizza will be offered. Also the organization connected with Darien Lake to discuss employment opportunities for the teens in our area. Hearts and Hands have been approached as well for support in transportation of the teens to the park. Mayor Patterson thanked the Group for all their efforts and stated he would speak about the Coalition at the joint meeting being held this evening

PUBLIC COMMENT – Resident Doug Ceisner reported that the minutes need to be updated on the Village website. Concerned with notice in Akron Bugle regarding water

PROJECT REPORTS –

Joint Facility – Review Inter-Municipal Agreement with Town of Newstead – is on the agenda for this evening’s joint Board meeting between the Town of Newstead and Village of Akron

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

Clark Patterson Lee – Representative Steve Tanner came before the Board with his report. He noted the flows spiked once due to frozen reporting equipment. He also noted that an electric surge knocked out the flow meter for two days, and this was reported to the NYSDEC. He received notice that in the next week or two a NYSDEC Representative will be inspecting the Sewer Plant. Bob and Robbie Lucia have done a great job in getting the plant ready for that inspection. Also a couple of the pumps have been repaired due to wear and tear. Bob and Steve did tour the plants in the Village who have Wastewater Industrial Permits; at the next meeting Steve will present recommended changes to each individual permits. Discussion of grant opportunities was also held.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Capan – gave an update regarding the Celebration Committee. Plans are underway for the July 4th Celebration, but volunteers are dwindling and the Committee really needs more help. Further discussion was held regarding ways to gather the Village organizations to work together on community events

Trustee Middaugh – reported meeting with the Board of Elections regarding grant money for the Village Office entrances to become handicap assessable. To complete the grant application drawings of the rear entrance must be completed. Also met with Akron Central School and the School Resource Officer

Mayor Patterson – thanked the Department of Public Works for all their hard work and dedication during this really hard winter with all the water main breaks and considerable amount of snow plowing done. Reported that he will be a Meals on Wheels Volunteer on March 19th for approximately an hour delivering meals

Trustee Forrestel – reported that the Water Wastewater Committee met today. Steve Tanner from Clark Patterson Lee is doing a great job for the Sewer Plant. The Water Plant is struggling with the weather and is looking forward to the filter media replacement project which is ready to get under way as soon as the weather breaks. Also, the water crew is working on a re- configuration of the chlorine addition system to make that more effective. Lastly he commended the DPW department for the great jobs fixing all the water main breaks this past week.

Trustee Hatswell – nothing new

OLD BUSINESS

Ron Berry Memorial Fields – nothing new

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue Village Land – nothing new

Public Works Facility at 43 East Avenue – nothing new

Cable Contract – Attorney Shonn and Trustee Middaugh will meet to review contract

Solar, Wind or Farm Waste Energy Exemption – held Public Hearing this evening

Dog Law Amendment – Attorney Shonn requested a Public Hearing for March 16, 2015

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Capan to hold a Public Hearing regarding Local Law #1 – 2015 – Amendment of Village Dog Law on Monday March 16, 2015 at 7:30 pm be and hereby is approved.

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| ADOPTED | CARL E. PATTERSON | - AYE |
| | E. PETER FORRESTEL | - AYE |
| | MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH | - AYE |
| | KATHRYN A. CAPAN | - AYE |

KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

NEW BUSINESS

Wm. Schutt & Associates Request for Proposal for the Engineering Planning Study – distributed to the Board for their review

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to approve the 2014 Akron Fire Company LOSAP Points listing be and hereby is approved

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

Boys Scout Troop 559 Requested permission to have Boy Scouts help at the compost site as part of the process to earn their Community Service badge – Clerk-Treasurer Borchert will pass the information on to the Streets, Parks and Community Relations Committee

CORRESPONDENCE

Planning Board Minutes of meeting held January 6, 2015

Planning Board Minutes of meeting held February 9, 2015

Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes of meeting held February 11, 2015

Time Warner Cable soon to be expiring Agreements with Programmers and Broadcasters

Request from Village Resident Scott Johnston to be sponsored while he attends the Erie Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy

Town of Amherst January 2015 Central Fire Alarm Operations Report

Town of Amherst 2014 Central Fire Alarm Annual Operations Report

2015 NYCOM Legislative Program

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

RESOLUTION duly moved by Capan and seconded by Hatswell to go into executive session regarding personnel issues at 8:35 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to come out of executive session regarding personnel issues at 8:43 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE
KEITH A. HATSWELL - AYE

The Board took a brief recess before welcoming the Town of Newstead for their scheduled joint meeting.

The Village Board welcomed Supervisor Cummings and the Newstead Town Board for the joint meeting with the Village of Akron.

Archives – Clerk Borchert noted that items have already been transported to their space in the town archives room and that more will be transported when we complete our annual review of our archives in the spring. This is now an ongoing project and can be removed from the joint agenda moving forward.

IT Contract – Both the Village and Town use the same provider for IT services with Micro Systems and Support. The village and town agree that with the new cybersecurity issues that both municipalities have to monitor, it is a good idea that we put a RFP together for IT services for all of our facilities. Clerk Borchert & Clerk Izydorczak will provide a current need assessment and will forward that to Councilman Mayrose.

GIS – Superintendent Jon Cummings and Brad Baer would like to have an update on training with the system. It will also be very helpful for our disaster coordinators and the fire departments.

Joint Master Plan – There is limited grant funding opportunities but it needs to be as a joint venture with the village and the town. The plan has not been updated since 2001.

Disaster Coordinator – Daniel Kowalik addressed the members in attendance giving an update on what has been happening. All the FEMA documentation has been completed from the November storm; memo of understanding needs to be on file for mutual aid or equipment sharing; disaster plans need to be updated with current information or to combine into one joint plan; flow chart of the chain of command so everyone knows who they need to report to; social media outlets to get the information out to the community. Joe Hawes is currently the co-disaster coordinator but a third member has not been selected yet.

Asset Management – The program has been installed on the server at the Joint Facility and is currently being tested out as all of the infrastructure data has been loaded. Streets, electric and water data has been installed. This can also be utilized by the town in the future if they find a need.

Recycling – Clerk Borchert noted that we are planning on holding two HHW events again this year on May 30th and October 17th at the Joint Facility with Environmental Services Group. We will be having two or three shredding events as well that have yet to be scheduled. We have submitted our electronic recycling annual report to the NYSDEC and in 2014 the collection site recycled over 81,000 pounds of electronics. This is over a 6,000 pound increase from 2013 when our total recycling was over 75,000 pounds of electronic material.

Sewer/Wastewater – The Water/Wastewater Committee met this evening. The joint engineering & planning grant was successfully secured and the next step is to send out an RFP to select an engineering firm. Attorney Neill also gave an update on the proposed sewer improvement district in the town that would include Niagara Label and residents along Lewis Road and Hake Road.

Grants – Both municipalities are looking at grant opportunities that would work jointly for both areas. The town has been at the trail ways grants and additional grants for their new park on Skyline Drive.

Joint Facility Contract – Attorney Shonn & Neill are finalizing the agreement. Both boards will have to adopt a resolution to run the facility and to formalize the Joint Facility Committee. The goal is to have a single person that will be in charge of managing the entire building. That person will not be running any of the departments.

Courts - Supervisor Cummings gave a recap of the operation of the Newstead Court before the merger and then activity after the merger. The court operation is still operating in a deficit. He gave an over view of all the activity over the last four years from the three major law enforcement agencies that serve the Newstead Court. Overall over the activity in the court is down over 33% combined.

Tax Freeze – EC Government Efficiency Program – Both the Town of Newstead and the Village of Akron have opted to participate in this program along with many other communities in Erie County. The county is still figuring out the logistics on who is going to manage the plan.

Celebration Committee – The committee has been struggling over the last few years and community involvement on the committee has dwindled. Trustee Capan has represented the Village of Akron and Councilmen York and Jendrowski represent the town. The meetings are on the third Wednesday at the chamber office. The discussion was had to hold a public community meeting to support the committee and the entire July Fourth Celebration.

The next joint meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday May 18, 2015 at 8:30 p.m. at the Newstead Town Hall.

On motion of Middaugh and seconded by Capan at 9:56 p.m. this meeting was ADJOURNED

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER