

February 4, 2008

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:32 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson; Trustees Michael R. Middaugh, E. Peter Forrestel, William P. Kaufman and Kathryn A. Capan; Attorney Daniel D. Shonn, Clerk –Treasurer Daniel P. Borchert, Superintendent Robert Kowalik, and Chief of Police Richard Lauricella.

Mayor Carl E. Patterson led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh, seconded by Capan, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2008 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

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

General Fund	\$ 4,334.85
Electric Fund	\$ 5,943.42
Water Fund	\$ 26,423.45
Sewer Fund	\$ 3,381.03

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

PUBLIC HEARING – None scheduled

APPEARANCES – No one was scheduled to speak

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mayor Patterson wanted to recognize Chief Patrick Flynn from the Erie County Sheriff's Office who was in attendance this evening. Chief Flynn wanted to extend greetings and to comment on the continuing good working relationship with Chief Richard Lauricella and the Village of Akron.

PROJECT REPORTS –

State Street Bridge – Superintendent Kowalik notified Jansen-Kiener that the Village Board accepted their proposal for Phase II, performing project initiation and project scoping, outlining alternatives for full bridge replacement and to issue a project scoping document summarizing objectives, alternative and probable construction costs for each alternative.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

Attorney – Received Waiver under 207-C of the General Municipal Law for Retired Police Officers. Village Attorney Daniel D. Shonn recommends that the Waiver be forwarded to the Police Department.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Kaufman, and seconded by Middaugh to forward the Waiver under 207-C of the General Municipal Law for retired Police Officers to the Village of Akron Police Department, be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
 WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
 KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

Also, Village Attorney Daniel D. Shonn is in receipt of the Inter-municipal Agreement relative to Village of Akron Police services for the Town of Newstead.

Clerk-Treasurer – The Board received the Clerk’s report for January 2008, together with the February 2008 office schedule. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert stated that he attended Police Union negotiations with Norm Stocker, Glenn Miller, Officer Heiderman and Officer Farrington on January 17, 2008. He also mentioned that he applied for a scholarship to the New York State Association of City & Village Clerks to help off set the cost of attending this year’s Institute. Mayor Patterson declared his appreciation for Mr. Borchert’s efforts to continue his education on behalf of the Village of Akron. Mr. Borchert stated his appreciation for the opportunity.

Chief of Police – The Board received the Police Report for January 2008, along with a schedule for February 2008. Chief Lauricella stated that several parking tickets have been issued due to winter parking rules. The maintenance on the Police cars is up to date. Car 90 had the air bag repaired and Delacy Ford recommended a complete tune up on car 90 as well. Also, Officer Haines is in the final phase of the Rural Training Academy and is currently field-training with our department personnel. Lastly, after comparing the Village Ticket Violations with other communities, Chief Lauricella recommended increasing the Village fees \$5.00, increasing from \$20.00 to \$25.00 and to double all ticket fees across the board if the violation is not paid within 10 days.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Kaufman, and seconded by Forrestel to authorize Chief Lauricella to increase the ticket violations from \$20.00 to \$25.00 and to double the fees of all ticket violations across the board if payment is not received within 10 days be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
 WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
 KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

Supt. of Public Works – Superintendent Kowalik discussed the recent wind storms and the fact that only one resident had an outage on January 9 and three minor outages occurred January 30, 2008. Preventative maintenance, stated Superintendent Kowalik, like tree trimming are key to keeping are customers supplied with electricity on a consistent basis. Trustee Forrestel added that our electric department has done a great job of preventative pole replacement which has also aided in the reliable service to the Village. Mayor Patterson commented that Public Works Personnel such as Bradley Baer, who has considerable knowledge of tree maintenance, has been a wonderful asset to our community. Superintendent Kowalik stated that the Public Works Personnel has done a great job during weather related incidents including the Streets Department which has been out during the wee hours of the morning to make sure our streets are clean and clear during winter storms.

Superintendent Kowalik recommended several Public Works Personnel to go to the following Conferences and workshops: Robert Lucia to attend Western NY Water Works Conference on February 6, 2008 with a fee of \$20.00 earning Mr. Lucia 5 credit hours for NYSDEC and NYSDOH and for Mr. Lucia to attend the 26th Annual Environment Conference held on March 18, 2008 which would also earn Mr. Lucia 5 credits for NYSDEC. Also, Bradley Baer to attend the “Storms over the Urban Forests” workshop scheduled for February 28, 2008 at a cost of \$75.00. Lastly, Chuck Rebmann

and Bradley Baer to attend an MEUA Engineering Workshop scheduled for February 20 & 21, 2008 costing \$75.00 each.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel, and seconded by Capan to authorize Robert Lucia to attend the Western NY Water Works Conference on February 6, 2008 at a cost of \$20.00 earning 5 credit hours for NYSDEC and NYSDOH, be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel, and seconded by Middaugh to authorize Robert Lucia to attend the 26th Annual Environment Conference held on March 18, 2008 at a cost of \$65.00 earning Mr. Lucia 5 credit hours for NYSDEC, be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh, and seconded by Kaufman to authorize Bradley Baer to attend the "Storms over the Urban Forests" work shop held on February 28, 2008 at a cost of \$75.00 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel, and seconded by Capan to authorize Chuck Rebmann and Bradley Baer to attend the MEUA Engineering Workshop scheduled for February 20 & 21, 2008 at a cost of \$75.00 each, be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

Superintendent Kowalik recommended moving Robert Lucia from Grade 6 Step 1 to Grade 6 Step 2 upon completion of his first year anniversary of January 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh, and seconded by Kaufman to move Robert Lucia from Grade 6 Step 1 to Grade 6 Step 2 upon completion of his first year anniversary of January 23, 2008 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

After accepting 3 bids for the Bucket Truck, Superintendent Kowalik recommended the bid from D. C. Bates Equipment Co., Inc., which of the 3 bids, met all requested specifications. The bids were for installation of a specified aerial lift device

and body on an International 2008 SBA 4x2 MA025 cab and chassis which is already on the NY State Bid list under contract #PC62757. Cost of cab & chassis is \$57,009.42. Superintendent Kowalik recommended the bid from D.C. Bates which is for a 42' Posi Plus Insulated Hydraulic Articulating Aerial Device, Dakota Northlander Body at a cost of \$101,346.00 combined with cab & chassis equaling a total cost of \$158,355.42. Also recommended selling existing bucket truck separately and to fore go the trade option.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel, and seconded by Capan to accept the D.C. Bates Equipment Co., Inc. bid for a specified aerial lift device and body on an International 2008 SBA 4x2 MA025 cab and chassis which is already on the NY State Bid list under contract #PC62757 with a cost of \$101,346.00, combined with cab and chassis cost of \$57,009.42, bringing a total cost for the Bucket Truck to \$158,355.42 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

Superintendent Kowalik received 2 Engineering proposals for developing and writing specifications to go out for formal bids to: Build two covered structures over existing outside drying beds and a 42' x 60' heated storage equipment garage at the waste water treatment plant, Sanitary sewer system repairs on the collection system mains, manholes, and lateral taps; Upgrades and system improvements of the two sludge feed pumps. Of the two proposals Superintendent Kowalik recommended accepting the bid from Marquis Engineering for \$8,500.00.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh, and seconded by Kaufman to accept the proposal from Marquis Engineering for developing and writing specifications to build two covered structures over existing outside drying beds and a 42' x 60' heated storage equipment garage at the Village Waste Water treatment plant; sanitary sewer system repairs on the collection system mains, manholes, and lateral taps; Upgrades and system improvements of the two existing sludge feed pumps not to exceed \$8,500.00 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

Lastly, Superintendent Kowalik reported that the Public Works office roof has had considerable leaking problems. He received price quotes and instruction on how the roof can be repaired and decided to purchase the supplies and have the work done in-house to sustain the roof for at least 6-8 months.

Building Inspector – Board received the January Report. Building Inspector Donnal D. Folger was absent this evening.

Elected Officials –

JUSTICE COURT REPORT – Board received monthly report from January 2008.

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Capan – Nothing to Report

Trustee Middaugh – Nothing to Report

Mayor Patterson – During this evenings work session the Village Public Works Department heads met to discuss future projects and the Mayor was very impressed with the thoughts and ideas that were discussed. Future meetings such as the above will be scheduled in the future.

Trustee Forrestel – Nothing to Report

Trustee Kaufman – Notice of pending approval of the Village of Akron’s mini-rate increase should be received around June or July of 2008.

OLD BUSINESS

Inter-municipal DPW Facility – nothing new to report

Rental Regulations – nothing new to report

Sidewalk Maintenance – Issue is with the Streets Committee for discussion. Trustee Forrestel mentioned he has received several complaints regarding lack of enforcement of sidewalk maintenance.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel, and seconded by Middaugh to authorize the Mayor to execute the contractual agreement between the Village of Akron and Erie County for implementing the 2008-2009 CDBG Project be and hereby be approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN	- AYE
	KATHRYN A. CAPAN	- AYE

CORRESPONDENCE –

Student Ambassadors, Shannon Rudolph and Grace Cannon, in reference to People to People International for the purpose of forming cultural understanding between nations.

Note from Erie County Legislature Lynne Marinelli listing the major action items for the Erie County Legislature for 2008.

Sno-Seekers monthly Bulletin

PUBLIC COMMENT – No one appeared

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh, and seconded by Capan authorizing the Board to go into executive session at 8:25 p.m. to discuss the litigation for LOSAP, be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN	- AYE
	KATHRYN A. CAPAN	- AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Kaufman, and seconded by Middaugh authorizing the Board to come out of executive session at 8:45 p.m., be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE
WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN - AYE
KATHRYN A. CAPAN - AYE

On motion of Middaugh, seconded by Capan, at 8:47 P.M., this meeting was
ADJOURNED.

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER