

November 3, 2008

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:30 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson; Trustees E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, 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 Forrestel seconded by Capan, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 20, 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 Middaugh, seconded by Forrestel 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	\$ 15,343.46
Electric Fund	\$ 17,539.65
Water Fund	\$ 3,671.02
Sewer Fund	\$ 5,911.48
Capital Water	\$ 755.25
Capital Sewer	\$ 2,695.50

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, seconded by Capan that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the applications and approval of the Building Inspector:

David Wehling	15 Eckerson Avenue	Roof	\$25.00
Diane Thomas	38 Clinton Street	Roof	\$25.00
Vicky Lederhouse	31 Danita Drive	Storage Shed	\$25.00
Akron Free Methodist Church	6 Scotland Road	Pitched Roof	\$110.00
Mark Kidder	2 Front Street	2 Story Addition	\$339.00

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 Kaufman that the following sidewalk application be and hereby is approved with the application to and approval of the Superintendent of Public Works:

Ken Schmidt	18 Sylvan Pkwy	35 Feet	\$245.00
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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 – Eric Glassman, representative of the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, wished to thank the Board for their time and support. This year the Club has a concern with the trail markers that have recently been installed on the south side of the bike path. Unfortunately, the markers are in the middle of the trail, which is a definite safety concern as well as inconvenient for there is no way around them within the Village portion of the trail. Trustee Forrestel stated that the Town of Newstead was the lead party on the grant involving the trail markers, therefore, they were responsible for the installation of them. Mr. Glassman suggested two proposals: 1) remove trail markers for the winter season or; 2) move trail markers to the North side of the trail. Before any action can be taken, Mayor Patterson will discuss the issue with the Town of Newstead and relay any action to the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers. Trustee Kaufman wanted to mention the belt placed on the bridge last year at this time was never removed causing safety issues for walkers, runners, roller blades, and bikes during the warmer months. Mr. Glassman apologized for the miscommunication between the Club members in that the belt had never been removed. He assured the Board that from this point forward the belt will be removed each spring. Also, Mr. Glassman referred to the barrels placed along the trail being used as refuse receptacles instead of markers but it may be something the club has to maintain during the season. Lastly, Mr. Glassman thanked the Board again for their time.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No one appeared to speak

PROJECT REPORTS –

State Street Bridge – nothing new at this time

John Street Waterline Project – project is complete, financial reports have been sent to Erie County and are now waiting for reply.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

Attorney – nothing

Clerk-Treasurer – The Board received the Clerk's report for October 2008, together with the November 2008 office schedule. Clerk-Treasurer Borchert wanted to remind the Board that tomorrow, November 4th is Election Day, the Village Office would be closed on November 11th, and the best day to schedule the Safety Dinner this year would be December 8th, 2008.

Chief of Police – The Board received the Police Report for October 2008, along with a schedule for November 2008. Chief Lauricella reported using the speed sign several times this year on Bloomingdale Avenue, East Avenue, Eckerson Avenue, Skyline Drive and Buell Street, usually for a two day period. Akron Central School has requested police coverage for their girls and boys varsity basketball games and two wrestling tournaments. Mayor Patterson questioned if the Police Department could handle both the School events and the Village with the shortage of part-time officers availability and or commitment to work the extra hours. Chief Lauricella stated that both the Court for the Village and Town of Newstead also take man hours to cover, but at this point he has coverage but would like to discuss in a Police and Fire Services Committee meeting. Halloween night proved to be quiet and problem free. Police Car 91 has an electrical problem where the headlights will just randomly turn off. Other

Ford police cars are having this same problem, but no recall has been issued as of yet. Lastly, Chief Lauricella wanted to add to the snowmobile discussion regarding a recommendation for the Village to have a local ordinance banning the use of snowmobiles in the right of way throughout the Village streets.

Supt. of Public Works – The Board received copies of Superintendent Kowalik’s October 2008 report. Superintendent Kowalik recommended to remove the stop sign at Cedar and Railroad Street, no longer a street, and to place a dead end sign on Railroad near the intersection of Morgan Street.

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan to place a dead end sign on Railroad Street near the intersection of Morgan Street 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 Forrestel to remove the stop sign at Cedar and Railroad Street, no longer a street, 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 submitted two proposals regarding Marshall Avenue. One is for the reconstruction of the street and the other is for the waterline replacement. After discussion the Board decided to look over the documents and make a decision at the next Board Meeting scheduled for November 10, 2008.

The County has also done some repair work on East Avenue filling in the large potholes and shoulder replacement.

Leaf pickup is still on schedule and the compost is still open until November 15, 2008 weather permitting.

Lastly, the roof on the Public Works salt barn has been replaced with the work completed in-house.

Elected Officials –

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

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Capan – shared with the Board an article from the local section of the Buffalo News regarding the savings that turning all computers off during non-working hours can accumulate.

Also, attended a Celebration Committee meeting last week where plans for the New Years Eve celebration are being finalized.

Trustee Middaugh – Street Committee will follow up on Marshall Avenue project.

Mayor Patterson – Nothing to report

Trustee Forrestel – on October 28, 2008 attended the Police and Fire Services Committee which covered many issues such as: staff and scheduling, court coverage, budget, and the arrival of the new police car. On the agenda for the next meeting will be the joint Police garage with the Town of Newstead, all seem to be in favor of the idea, leaving the financing left to be considered.

Trustee Kaufman – Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS

Inter-municipal DPW Facility – Joint committee meeting is scheduled for this week.

Rental Regulations – Village Attorney Daniel D. Shonn should have a draft ready for the next meeting.

Mitigation of Murder Creek – Nothing new to report.

Refuse Contract – with the Solid Waste Committee

2009-2010 CDBG Program – submitted applications and are now waiting for the income survey to be completed.

Sewer Moratorium – Expires December 31, 2008

Northern Erie Sno-Seekers – discussion held during scheduled appearance.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Capan authorizing the Akron Police Department to service all the ACS girls and boys home basketball games and two wrestling tournaments for the 2008-2009 season 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

Newstead Public Library Abitibi Paper Retriever Program

Code Enforcement Officer Folger entered the meeting at 8:25 pm. He reported that all court cases are cancelled until January 2009.

CORRESPONDENCE

Town of Newstead SEQR/SERP Coordinated Review for the Newstead Self Storage Expansion – 13399 Main Road.

NYS Workers' Compensation Board to ensure that businesses applying for permits, licenses, or contracts have appropriate Workers' Compensation and Disability Benefits Insurance coverage.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Coach Richard Lauricella reported that all three divisions of the Little League Football Program have made it to the championships held this Saturday, November 8, 2008.

On motion of Capan, seconded by Middaugh, at 8:30 p.m., this meeting was ADJOURNED.

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER