A joint meeting of the Town of Newstead and Village of Akron Boards was held on April 21, 2003 at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present:  
**Town Board Members**  
Supervisor Gerald Summe  
Councilman David Cummings  
Councilman Tom George  
Councilwoman Joan Glor  
Councilman Harold Finger  

**Village Board Members**  
Mayor Ray Perkins  
Trustee Peter Forrestel  
Trustee Carl Patterson  
Trustee Charlie Yaeger  
Trustee Mike Middaugh  

Also present: Paul Barone of the Emerling Agency and Don Folger of the Akron Fire Co.

The Boards convened at 9:50 P.M. at the Town Hall with the Mayor calling the Village Board to order and the Supervisor calling the Town Board to order.

**Akron/Newstead Fire Company LOSAP Update** – Insurance agent Paul Barone answered questions on the final defined contribution plan. Some of the questions from Board members were regarding the Service Award Selection Committee member’s make-up and how investments and tax bookkeeping are going to be administered. Both boards agreed to make a minor change in the wording as to the costs per firefighter to make it less confusing. Paul explained that the lump sum dollar amounts are based on 100% participation, but the current projected participation at this point is around 70%. Funding for the Village portion of the annuity payment was discussed as well as the split in costs between the Village and the Town if this is passed at referendum.

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Cummings approving a referendum vote by the Town residents on the LOSAP issue to be scheduled on Tuesday, June 24, 2003.

**Carried Unanimously**

A motion was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Forrestel approving a referendum vote by the Village residents on the LOSAP issue to be scheduled on Tuesday, June 24, 2003.

**Carried Unanimously**

It was also agreed upon by both boards that the committee will be made up of 2 representatives from the Town Board (Supervisor Summe and Councilman Cummings), 2 representatives from the Village Board (Trustee Patterson and Trustee Forrestel), and the President and Chief of both the Akron Fire Company and the Newstead Fire Company.

**Whiting Industrial Park Sewer Request Update** – Andrew Casolini explained the new route is to run down Bloomingdale Road with 2 dump stations. Amendments are needed
to previous contract with the village to reflect these route changes and the description of manhole placements and distances. The village board agreed.

**Water- Out of District Rates** The Supervisor requested of the Village Board to be notified as soon as possible of any impending rate changes in the water rates for District #1 and #3. Trustee Patterson informed him that those changes will be forthcoming soon.

**Water- Proposed District #10** Build out issues were discussed with respect to future connections with the village for the new district as well as links to current Water Districts #1 and #3 and the possible potential for conversion to Erie County Water Authority of those districts.

**Grant Writer** The Town and Village Boards agreed to combine costs and resources to hire joint grant writer Lucy Curley to bring funding for projects in both municipalities. This issue was discussed and passed at the Village Board meeting prior to this joint meeting. Attorney Don Shonn stated that an inter-municipal agreement between the town and village needs to be drafted and then the contracts with Lucy Curley can be signed. Each municipality will expend $10,200 per year.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Cummings to approve the joint hiring of Lucy Curley with the Village of Akron and authorizing the preparation of an inter-municipal agreement with the village. Carried Unanimously

**Other:**

**Akron Airport Update** – Councilman George reported that the draft report is complete and will be reviewed for revisions in May before going to a series of public hearings. He will forward a copy of the draft report to the Village Board for their input.

Councilman George made a suggestion to draft a “Master Inter-Municipal Agreement” between the Town and Village that could be used on all joint projects, thereby making joint projects flow in a more timely manner. Everyone agreed it was a good idea.

The Supervisor and Mayor thanked everyone present for all of their joint cooperation and they look forward to the continued success of future joint projects.

Councilwoman Glor motioned to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 10:27 P.M, seconded by Councilman Finger. Carried Unanimously

Trustee Forrestel motioned to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 10:27 P.M, seconded by Trustee Yaeger. Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorczak-Town Clerk