

The Board of Trustees for the Town of Akron held a **Regular Meeting** on **Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at 7:00 pm** at the Akron Town Hall in full conformance with the laws and ordinances of said Town.

Mayor Brittani Kusel opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

TRUSTEE PRESENT: Andy Bowin Derek Glosson
 Brandon Hill Jared Jefferson
 Harry Slusser Susan Watson

TRUSTEE ABSENT:

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Matthew Richardson, Town Attorney
 Dencia Raish, Town Clerk/ Administrator
 Shane Watson, Public Works Director

OTHER IN ATTENDANCE:

Tony Wells – Washington County Commissioner, Randy Hayes – Colorado Plains Regional Airport, Jon Stivers & Christopher Rouse– Washington County Sheriff, three members of the public.

Approval of Minutes 08/03/20

Dencia pointed out two grammatical corrections from when the packet was delivered, no other discussion. Derek Glosson moved to approve the regular meeting minutes from August 3, 2020, as presented. Seconded by Andy Bowin, six yes votes, motion carried. 1:23

Approval of August Bills

Dencia presented the August bills list. Andy Bowin moved to approve the bills as presented. Second by Harry Slusser, six yes votes, motion carried. 2:47

Airport Report

FBO Randy Hayes reported he had purchased a 2013 Bobcat with attachments for the airport with the Cares Grant proceeds. The fog seal project is expected to cost approximately half of the \$300,000 grant that was applied for. 6:18

Sheriff Report

Deputy Rouse reported two new additions to the sheriff department, Sam McCoy and Jaden Brotton. Statistics in August for the WCSO included: 451 calls in Washington County, 116 of those in Akron with 52 incidents filed, and 11 citations. 8:15

Tavern Renewal- At Ease Bar

A renewal application was presented for a Tavern Licence, filed by At Ease Bar. Jon Stivers reported no concerns with renewing the license. Derek Glosson moved to approve the Tavern Renewal for At Ease Bar. Seconded by Jared Jefferson, six yes votes, motion carried. 8:48

County Report

Commissioner Tony Wells reported detailed information on COVID requirements and conditions in Washington County. He spoke briefly on the conditions of the rides at the fire grounds. He also noted that the County had purchased the YW Garage from Stockman's Bank to house emergency response. 22:42

Summer Recreation Report

John Glosson gave a report to the Council for the 2020 summer recreation program. It was a successful year despite the abbreviated season due to COVID. John thanked Council for purchasing the red dirt for the softball field. It was required maintenance and will prove critical to the condition of the field for years. John thanked Glosson Construction for their upkeep to the fields and property. 30:01

Akron Pool Report

Kilee Randel gave a report to the Council on the operation of the Akron Pool for the summer. The COVID requirements took extra work, and the staff of the Akron Pool stepped up. The pool opened late on June 17 and was open to the public until September 4. 34:44

Akron Volunteer Fire Department

Steve Marshall, with the AVFD, presented some quick facts to the Council about cancer and other risks associated with working as a fireman. He wanted to take the time to share the concerns and needs of the AVFD with the Council. Everyone agreed that too much time had passed since the Council and the AVFD had talked about needs or what is happening. The AVFD will need to purchase new gear sets. There will be a large initial purchase, but it is a goal to make smaller purchases in the years after to keep them up with standards. After much discussion, Brittani Kusel asked Steve to work with Dencia to compile the 2021 budget. She also requested that the AVFD check in with the Council more often to keep the lines of communication open. 48:42

Public Invited To Be Heard

Dallas Bowin with Bowin Funeral Home was present to discuss improvements needed at the Akron Cemetery. With COVID, the cemetery gazebo hosted many funerals this summer. A bathroom is desperately needed. There are funds left from the Eunice Simonsen gift that was meant for cemetery improvements. Dencia said that she had reviewed that with the previous Clerk, Annette Bowin. 59:21

2021 Insurance Renewal Rates

Dencia presented the 2021 renewal rates for CEBT (staff health insurance), CIRSA (town PC & WC insurance), The Ahbe Group (airport liability insurance). After some discussion, Andy Bowin moved to approve renewing all insurance policies as presented. Seconded by Derek Glosson, six yes votes, motion carried. 1:04:10

Participation Agreements for 401 & 457 Retirement Plans

Dencia presented new participation agreements from Colorado Retirement Association (CRA) that needed Council approval. Derek Glosson moved to approve the participation agreements, as presented. Seconded by Harry Slusser, six yes votes, motion carried. 1:05:08

Fall Recreation Planning

A written report was provided by Deputy Clerk Lori Baer informing Council that she and the school are working to provide fall recreation options of football and volleyball. Great to see Lori working so closely with the school. 1:06:33

BRANDON

Matt Richardson recommended the Council uses a resolution to mark the rules and intentions for the Marjorie Brandon Trust committee. Leah Holtorf and Richard Holtorf were present to listen to the Council and answer any questions about their request to establish the committee. Through the

discussion, Leah asked if the Council would refer to the Trust by Marj's maiden name, Marjorie Leshner Trust. In light of the time, Brittani Kusel asked if Council would schedule a work session, so the conversation about how to establish the committee could be further discussed. Council organized a work session for Monday, September 14 at 7:00 pm 1:39:34

Council, Committee, and Staff Reports

Public Works Director Shane Watson

- Written report provided.
- Reminder to review the road plans for the Stalling addition. 1:42:08

Town Clerk/Administrator Dencia Raish

- Written report provided.
- Dencia presented the results from the request for a bid on the airport fog seal project. The recommended winning bids came from Scott Allen for \$147,000 to remove and replace all runway markings and Cobitco for \$21,436.00 to fog seal the runway. Derek Glosson moved to approve the bid of \$147,000 for Scott Allen to remove and replace the runway markings as presented. Seconded by Andy Bowin, six yes votes, motion carried.
- Derek Glosson moved to approve the bid of \$21,436.00 for Cobitco to fog seal the runway as presented. Seconded by Susan Watson, six yes votes, motion carried.

Library Report

- Written report provided.

Town Attorney Matt Richardson

- Reported to Council on the status of Municipal Court.

Trustee Brandon Hill

- Reported attending the most recent Washington County Golf Club board meeting.

Trustee Derek Glosson

- Asked Dencia to get in touch with Element Engineering to rekindle the discussion about creating a water/infrastructure master plan.

Trustee Andy

- Citizen had asked not to close adjoining streets like had happened at Crazy Days.

Trustee Susan Watson

- Reported the next Chamber meeting to be September 21. Chamber hopes to have the Christmas parade of lights.

Adjournment

There being no further business, **Andy Bowin** moved to adjourn the meeting at **9:10 pm**. With no objections, the motion carried.

ATTEST: _____

Dencia Raish, Town Clerk/Administrator

Brittani Kusel, Mayor