Council Meeting (Re-Organizational Meeting) January 6, 2020

Council Members present- Thomas, J. Murray, Sr.; Justin Gehman, Nathan Imhoff, Darryl Witmer, Kleon Zimmerman, Paul Swangren, Jr.

Others present- Mayor John McBeth, Susan Davidson, Borough Manager; Elijah Swangren, Paul K. Swangren, Leoniece H. Swangren, Cheryle Swangren, Dick Wanner Ephrata Review.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor John McBeth at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Oath of Office
Mayor John McBeth administered the Oath of Office to three elected Council Members, Justin Gehman, Nathan Imhoff and Paul Swangren, Jr.

Nominations
Council President
Nathan Imhoff nominated Justin Gehman for Borough of Akron Council President. Paul Swangren, Jr. nominated Thomas J. Murray, Sr. for Borough of Akron Council President

Nathan Imhoff, Kleon Zimmerman and Justin Gehman voted for Justin Gehman for Borough of Akron Council President.

Paul Swangren, Jr., Darryl Witmer and Thomas J. Murray, Sr. voted for Thomas J. Murray, Sr. for Borough of Akron Council President.

It was a tie vote and Mayor John McBeth broke the tie when he voted for Thomas J. Murray, Sr. for Borough of Akron Council President.

Council Vice-President
Nathan Imhoff nominated Justin Gehman for Borough of Akron Council Vice-President.

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Paul Swangren, Jr., Nathan Imhoff, Kleon Zimmerman and Tom Murray, Sr. voted for Justin Gehman for Borough of Akron Council Vice-President.

Darryl Witmer and Justin Gehman voted for Nathan Imhoff for Borough of Akron Council Vice-President.
Justin Gehman is Borough of Akron Council Vice-President by majority of votes.

Meeting was turned over to Thomas J. Murray, Sr., President of Borough of Akron Council.

Visitors
Nothing to report

Appointments
Chairman Pro Tem
Justin Gehman made a motion to appoint Nathan Imhoff as Borough of Akron Chairman Pro-Tem. Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer
The Treasurer appointment will be tabled until the next meeting

Borough Secretary
Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to appoint Susan Davidson as Borough Secretary. Kleon Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Solicitor
Paul Swangren made a motion to appoint Shirk Law Associates as the Borough of Akron Solicitor. Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Labor Attorney
Nathan Imhoff made a motion to appoint Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC as the Borough of Akron Labor Attorney. Paul Swangren, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Engineer
Nathan Imhoff made a motion to appoint Hanover Engineering as the Borough of Akron Engineer. Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Depositories

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to appoint Fulton Bank and Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT). Paul Swangren, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vacancy Board

This position will be advertised. Dale Putt was interested in serving on this board.

Zoning Officer

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to appoint Hanover Engineering (Steve Dellinger) as the Borough of Akron Zoning Officer. Paul Swangren, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Building Code Officer

Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to appoint Code Administrators as the Borough of Akron Building Code Officer. Kleon Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Permit and Enforcement Officer

Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to appoint Susan Davidson as the Borough of Akron Permit and Code Enforcement Officer. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Council would like to re-evaluate this appoint in the future to try to alleviate some of the work load on the Borough Manager. Motion carried.

Police Chief

Justin Gehman made a motion to appoint Thomas Zell as Borough of Akron Police Chief. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Garage Sale Permit Officer

Darryl Witmer made a motion to appoint Faye Martin as the Borough of Akron Garage Sale Permit Officer. Kleon Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Deputy Tax Collector

Justin Gehman made a motion to appoint Susan Davidson as the Borough of Akron Deputy Tax Collector. Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Zoning Hearing Member

Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to appoint Thomas Bender to the Borough of Akron Zoning Hearing Board for a 3-year term (2020-2022). Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Civil Service Commission

Council will research and advertise this position

Auditor

Justin Gehman made a motion to appoint Herbein & Company Inc. as the Borough of Akron Auditors. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Planning Commission

Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to appoint Robert Rollman to the Borough of Akron Planning Commission for a 4-year term (2020-2023). Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Akron Authority

Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to appoint Robert Stauffer to the Borough of Akron Authority for a 5-year term (2020-2024). Justin Gehman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rail Trail Representative

Nathan Imhoff made a motion to appoint the Akron Borough Manager as the Rail Trail Representative. Kleon Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Bond

Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to set the Borough of Akron's Treasurer Bond at $1,000,000.00. Darryl Witmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2020/2021 Non-Uniform Holidays
Nathan Imhoff made a motion to approve the 2020 Holidays for Non-Uniform Employees. Kleon Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Presidents Day- February 17, 2020
Memorial Day- May 25, 2020
Independence Day- July 4, 2020
Labor Day- September 7, 2020
Thanksgiving Day- November 26, 2020
Christmas- December 25, 2020
New Year's- January 1, 2021
(2) Floating Holidays

Committee Assignments
Tom Murray, Sr. asked Council will e-mail contact Council members in regard to committee assignments and also if members would let him know what committees you are interested in serving on.

2020 Meeting Advertisement
Justin Gehman made a motion to advertise the 2020 Borough of Akron Council meetings with some changes to the meetings times and dates. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Council meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. (both the meetings on the second and fourth Mondays of the month) and the Finance Committee meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. on the second Monday of the month instead of 6:30 p.m. The Akron Authority Meeting will be moved to the first Monday in November at 6:30 p.m. instead of the second Monday in November. Motion carried.

PSAB Boot Camp for Council Members
Sue Davidson will register Kleon Zimmerman and Paul Swangren, Jr. for the PSAB Boot Camp. If any other Council members are interested please contact the Borough Manager.

Grant Resolution
Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to approve Resolution #00225 designating the Borough Manager to execute all documents and agreements between the

Borough of Akron and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant from the Pennsylvania Small Water and Sewer grant of $75,000.00. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Conditional Use Hearing
Darryl Witmer made a motion to advertise the Conditional Use Hearing for Handi-Vangelism Ministries for February 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Justin Gehman seconded the motion.

Council Resignation
Paul Swangren, Jr. made a motion to hold off on accepting Council resignation until the January 13, 2020 scheduled meeting. Nathan Imoff seconded motion. Motion carried.

Check Signatures
Nathan Imhoff made a motion to appoint Thomas Murray, Sr., Justin Gehman and Kleon Zimmerman as check signers for the Borough of Akron. Paul Swangren, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business/New Business
Nothing to report

Justin Gehman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nathan Imhoff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Davidson
Borough Manager/Secretary

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