

1 **BOROUGH OF AKRON COUNCIL MEETING- JULY 25, 2022**

2 **Council Members present-** Nathan Imhoff, President; Justin Gehman, Vice-
3 President; Kleon Zimmerman ,Randall Justice, Ryan Cochran, Bonnie Young
4 (Zoom)
5 (Paul Swangren, Jr. not present)

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7 **Others present-** Mayor John McBeth, Susan Davidson, Borough Manager; Sean
8 Molchany, Assistant Borough Manager; Jaclyn Hurst, Larry Alexander, Ephrata
9 Review; West Earl Police Officer Josh Mertz.

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11 **Roll Call**

- 12 Kleon Zimmerman-Present
13 Paul Swangren, Jr. – Not Present
14 Randall Justice-Present
15 Ryan Cochran-Present
16 Bonnie Young-Present (Zoom)
17 Justin Gehman, Vice-President Present
18 Nathan Imhoff, President- Present
19 Mayor John McBeth- Present

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21 Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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23 **Approval of Minutes**

24 Ryan Cochran made a motion to approve the July 11, 2022 Borough of Akron
25 Council meeting minutes. Kleon Zimmerman seconded the motion. There is a
26 typo on page 9 of the minutes (3rd paragraph) It should state I & I not I &&.
27 Motion carried.

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29 **Visitors**

30 Jaclyn Hurst of 699 Broad Street, Akron PA was at the meeting about neighbors
31 complaining about her trailer parked on the street. Hurst distributed copies of
32 the pictures of trailers around Akron Borough parked on the borough streets.
33 Jaclyn Hurst mentioned that she just wants to be treated fairly and left alone.
34 Hurst also mentioned that her neighbor has feral cats.

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Police Report

The June 2022 West Earl Police Report was distributed to Council members and Mayor McBeth.

Susan Davidson, Borough Manager mentioned the National Night Out will take place on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 from 5pm to 8 pm at the Broad Street Park.

Mayor Report- Mayor John McBeth

Nothing to report

Borough Manager's Report

Nothing to report at this time

Finance Report- Ryan Cochran

Nothing to report

Parks & Property Report- Randall Justice

Randall Justice will contact Bonnie Young this Friday to arrange a meeting about the park house in regards to improvements.

Randall Justice received an updated quote from Eby Exteriors for the proposed pavilion at Colonial Park and distributed to Council and staff. The total job cost is not to exceed \$28,046.00. There is other consideration from the lumber provider and all work is through Eby Exteriors. Eby Exteriors is able to make Co-Stars available through Ames Construction. Sean Molchany mentioned that the Co-Stars number should be on the quote. It was also mentioned to check with the Borough Solicitor in regard to the monetary donation from Rosenberger as to whose money it is and if we don't do the project there is not an issue of returning the money. Staff will check with Solicitor.

Sean Molchany mentioned that the proposal does not include stormwater or engineering. Randall mentioned that the engineering was spelled out on previous drawings. Sean also mentioned to consider electric for the pavilion. Randall will

1 reach out to Rosenberger to see if they are willing to give additional support for
2 the pavilion project.

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4 Susan Davidson mentioned that we do not have any quotes form the Akron Lions
5 Club and will continue to reach out to them and get a number for the 2023
6 budget.

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8 Susan Davidson mentioned there has been graffiti found at both the Roland Park
9 and Broad Street Park and all incidents have been reported immediately to the
10 West Earl Police Department.

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12 **Personnel Report-** Paul Swangren, Jr. (not present)

13 Susan Davidson mentioned that a minute taker has been hired and will begin
14 work at the next Council meeting on Monday August 8, 2022.

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16 **Streets Report-** Justin Gehman
17 Nothing to report

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19 **Public Utilities Report-** Kleon Zimmerman
20 Kleon Zimmerman mentioned to Council that C.S. Davidson, the Borough Engineer
21 submitted a preliminary cost estimate for the S. Ninth Street Inlet repair in the
22 amount of \$19,915.50. Kleon stated that this will be a 2021 budget item.

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24 Kleon Zimmerman mentioned to Council that the bids for the sanitary sewer
25 project came in really high. Council might want to consider rejecting the bids and
26 re-advertising the bids for a January/February 2023 construction.

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28 Tom Murray, Jr. Akron Borough Public Works Supervisor and water operator
29 submitted a letter and a fact sheet to Council in regard to the EPA testing for PFAS
30 chemicals. This testing will take place beginning in April 2023. As more
31 information about standards becomes available this information will be passed
32 along to Council and residents. Staff will respond to Tom Burnett of Fulton Street,
33 Akron with this fact sheet.

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35 **Community Relations Report-** Bonnie Young

1 Bonnie Young mentioned that in the July 11, 2022 minutes it gives the next
2 concert date of August 28, 2022 and it should be August 21, 2022. August 28,
3 2022 is the rain date.

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5 Bonnie also mentioned that she submitted an article to the newspaper about the
6 National Night Out on August 2, 2022 at the Broad Street park. Dick Wanner will
7 be available to take pictures at the event.

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9 ***New Business***

10 Kleon Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Escrow release for the 3190
11 Rothsville Road Stormwater Improvements in the amount of \$12,592.39. Financial
12 security will no longer be retained for this project. Ryan Cochran seconded the
13 motion. Motion carried. Final C/O was issued.

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15 Ryan Cochran made a motion to reject all bids for the 2022 Sanitary Sewer
16 Replacement Project at New and Tenth Streets and authorize Borough staff to
17 coordinate the advertisement to rebid the project. Randall Justice seconded the
18 motion. Motion carried.

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20 ***Correspondence***

21 Akron Mennonite Church Nature Preserve Invitation to Council and Mayor is on
22 Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Akron Mennonite Church. Bonnie Young
23 mentioned she would like to attend this event.

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25 The Ephrata Area School District School Resource Office Quarterly report was
26 distributed to Council and Mayor.

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28 The Ephrata Public Library sent a thank you letter to Council and Mayor for the
29 2022 donation and sent their quarterly report to Council and Mayor.

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31 The Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley sent a thank you letter to Council and
32 Mayor for the 2022 donation.

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34 Mayor McBeth mentioned an Ice Cream Social at the Cloister on August 7, 2022
35 from 1 pm to 4 pm.

1 Ryan Cochran mentioned we should submit Akron Borough as a sponsor for the
2 Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley and can this be amount be deducted from
3 our annual donation. Staff will check with Historical Society.

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5 Randall Justice made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Justin Gehman seconded
6 the motion. Motion carried.

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8 Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

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10 Respectfully submitted,

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12 Susan Davidson

13 Borough Manager/Secretary

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