

1 BOROUGH OF AKRON REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

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3 JANUARY 2, 2024-6:00 P.M.

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5 **Council Members Present:** Nathan Imhoff-President,; Justin Gehman-Vice President; Kleon
6 Zimmerman, Paul Swangren, Jr., Ryan Cochran, Bonnie Young, Tonya Haynes, Rebecca
7 Abraham-Junior Council Member, Max Herman-Junior Council Member. (Earianne Evangelista-
8 not present)

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10 **Others Present:** Mayor John McBeth, Susan Davidson, Borough Manager; Sean Molchany, Asst
11 Borough Manager; Valerie Wagner, Director of Finance; Suzanne Lausch, Minute Taker

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13 **AGENDA**

14 1) OPENING- Mayor-call to order at 6:00pm

15 Pledge of Allegiance

16 2) OATHS OF OFFICE- Mayor

17 Nathan Imhoff

18 Justin Gehman

19 Paul Swangren, Jr

20 Tonya Haynes

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22 3) NOMINATIONS

23 A) Council President

24 Kleon Zimmerman nominated Nathan Imhoff for Council President; second Bonnie
25 Young

26 Motion carried

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28 B) Council Vice-President

29 Nathan Imhoff nominated Justin Gehman For Council Vice-President; second by Ryan
30 Cochran

31 Motion carried

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33 4) VISITORS

34 No comments

35 Sue Glick 119 S. 10th St Akron

36 Tom Burnett 724 Fulton St. Akron

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38 5) APPOINTMENTS

39 A) Chairman Protem-nominated in case the Council President and Council Vice-President
40 cannot attend a meeting; breaks a tie

41 Tonya Haynes nominates Paul Swangren, Jr as Council Protem; second by Justin
42 Gehman

43 Motion carried

44 B) Treasurer- 2 Year- (2024-2025) Pamela Musser

45 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion to appoint Pamela Musser as Treasurer for 2024-
46 2025; second Justin Gehman

47 Motion carried. Ryan Cochran abstained

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2 C) Borough Secretary
3 Susan Davidson
4 Tonya Haines made a motion to appoint Susan Davidson as Akron Borough Secretary; second
5 Ryan Cochran
6 Motion carried
7 D) Assistant Borough Secretary
8 Sean Molchany
9 Ryan Cochran made a motion to appoint Sean Molchany as Assistant Borough Secretary;
10 second Kleon Zimmerman
11 motion carried
12 E) Solicitor(s)- Nikolaus & Hohenadel LLP
13 Tonya Haynes made a motion to appoint Nikolaus & Hohenadel LLP as the Akron
14 Borough Solicitor; second Justin Gehman
15 Motion carried
16 F) Labor Attorney- Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC
17 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion to appoint - Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC as
18 the Akron Borough Labor Attorney ; second Ryan Cochran
19 Motion carried
20 G) Engineer- C.S. Davidson
21 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion to appoint C.S. Davidson as the Akron Borough
22 Engineer; second Justin Gehman
23 Motion carried
24 H) Akron Borough Depositories- Ephrata National Bank, Fulton Bank & PLGIT- (PA Local
25 Government Investment Trust) with understanding that Fulton Bank is currently being phased
26 out.
27 Ryan Cochran made a motion Ephrata National Bank, Fulton Bank and PLGIT (PA Local
28 Government Investment Trust) as Akron Borough's depositories; second Kleon Zimmerman
29 Motion carried Nathan Imhoff abstained
30 I) Vacancy Board (Vacancy)
31 This Appointment by Council for a split council to break the tie vote; sit in on interview
32 for new council member; remains vacant. Paul Sangren Jr mentioned this was Mike Morris'
33 position, Sue Davidson stated that his term expired at the end of 2023. Nathan Imhoff stated he
34 will reach out to Mike Morris regarding his interest in the position.
35 J) Zoning Officer- Sean Molchany
36 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion to appoint Sean Molchany as the Akron Borough
37 Zoning Officer; second Ryan Cochran
38 Motion carried
39 K) Building Code Official- Code Administrators, Inc.
40 Kleon Zimmerman made a motion to appoint Code Administrators as the Akron
41 Borough Building Code Official; second Justin Gehman
42 L) Permit and Enforcement Officer- Sean Molchany
43 Tonya Haynes made a motion to appoint Sean Molchany as the Akron Borough Permit
44 and Enforcement Officer; second Ryan Cochran
45 Motion carried
46 M) Garage/Yard Sale Permit Officer – Michaiiah Collins
47 Justin Gehman made a motion to appoint Michaiiah Collins as the Garage/Yard Sale
48 Permit Officer; second Tonya Haynes

1 Motion carried
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5 N) Zoning Hearing Board- 3 Year Term (2024-2026) Jeff Shirk
6 Tonya Haynes made a motion to appoint Jeff Shirk to the Akron Borough Zoning
7 Hearing Board for a 3-year term (2024-2026); second Kleon Zimmerman
8 Motion carried
9 O) Zoning Hearing Board Alternate- 3 Year Term (2024-2026) David Lausch
10 Tonya Haynes made a motion to appoint David Lausch to the Akron Borough Zoning
11 Hearing Board as an alternate for a 3-year term (2024-2026); second Ryan Cochran
12 Motion carried
13 P) Auditor- Herbein & Company
14 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion to appoint Herbein & Company as the Akron Borough
15 Auditors; second Kleon Zimmerman
16 Motion carried
17 Q) Planning Commission – 4-year term Robert Rollman (2024-2027)
18 Justin Gehman made a motion to appoint Robert Rollman to the Akron Borough
19 Planning Commission for a 4-year term (2024-2027).; second Paul Swangren, Jr
20 Tonya Haynes asked if Robert Rollman is currently in the role; yes, he is currently in
21 this role
22 Motion carried
23 R) Pension Committee- Ryan Cochran & Sean Molchany (until replaced)
24 Tonya Haynes made a motion to appoint Ryan Cochran and Sean Molchany to the
25 Pension Committee until replaced.; second Kleon Zimmerman
26 Motion carried
27 S) Akron Authority – Valerie Wagner (2024-2026) & Sean Molchany (2024-2028)
28 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion to appoint Valerie Wagner to the Akron Authority
29 (2024-2026) and Sean Molchany (2024-2028). second Tonya Haynes
30 Motion carried
31 T) Warwick Ephrata Rail Trail Representatives- Borough Managers
32 Tonya Haynes made a motion to appoint the Akron Borough Managers as Warwick
33 Ephrata Rail Trail Representatives; second Kleon Zimmerman
34 Susan Davidson commented that this group has not met for some time
35 Motion carried
36 U) Akron Treasurer’s Bond- \$1,000,000.00
37 Justin Gehman made a motion to have the Akron Treasurer’s Bond at \$1,000,000.00;
38 second Kleon Zimmerman
39 Tonya asked what this is for; Explained that it is insurance for the Akron Treasurer-
40 Treasurer bond
41 Motion carried
42 V) Resolution Appointing Lancaster County Treasurer as Akron Borough Tax Collector – 2024&
43 2025
44 Ryan Cochran made a motion to accept Resolution No. 24-001 to appoint the County of
45 Lancaster to collect the Real Estate Tax imposed by the Borough of Akron for 2024 and 2025;
46 second Paul Swangren, Jr
47 Tonya Haynes asked if this is a person; no one was elected to the position so this is how the
48 taxes will be collected

1 Motion carried
2 Bonnie Young asked about the Emergency Management Coordinator position and whether
3 there was an appointment made or not. Sue Davidson responded that Greg Leisey is still
4 currently the Emergency Management Coordinator at this time. Staff along with Randy Gockley
5 are in the process of updating that position.
6 6) Approval of 2024 Holidays for Non-Uniform Employees
7 Bonnie Young made a motion; second Tonya Haynes
8 Paul Swangren, Jr. asked about 6 holidays and the 2025 New Year Holiday and two
9 floating holidays; no reorganizational meeting next year so the New Year Holiday (2025) is
10 included in this year's approval. Tonya Haynes asked about Friday after Thanksgiving as
11 vacation? Suggested day after as additional vacation day; Nathan Imhoff said then only one
12 floating holiday would be offered but this could be discussed in personnel committee meetings.
13 Motion carried
14 7) Committee Assignments
15 As of now Nathan Imhoff is leaving current assignments as is unless a Council Member
16 talks with Nathan to ask for a different committee assignment
17 OTHER BUSINESS-
18 A) PSAB Boot Camp for Council Members
19 Dates in January/February and March-see flyer-Council Members can contact Borough
20 staff for sign up
21 Justin Gehman recommended the virtual education for Council Members
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23 9) NEW BUSINESS-
24 A) Check Signatures
25 Nathan Imhoff, Justin Gehman, Kleon Zimmerman and Ryan Cochran are the current
26 check signers and Council agreed to leave the current signers with no changes.
27 10) OLD BUSINESS
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29 11) ADJOURNMENT
30 Paul Swangren, Jr made a motion; second Kleon Zimmerman at 6:35
31 Motion carried
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33 Respectfully submitted,
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35 Susan Davidson
36 Borough Manager/Secretary
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