

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held March 17,

2008

The March 17, 2008 bid opening meeting of Austinburg Township was called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Jerry Burke. Trustees Kusar and Spade were present.

All bids were opened and read by the fiscal officer and entered into the township files. Jerry stated he would like to take some time to read the bid results and call a special meeting at a later date to award the bids.

Res. 903-08 Janie moved to have Tim Martin, County Engineer review the bids, and set a meeting date for March 25, 2008 at 7:00pm to award the stone and emulsion material bids. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

At this time the bids for Clean Up Day and rubbish collection were read and entered into township files.

Res. 904-08 Janie moved to accept the bid from PennOhio for the township Clean Up Day as per the bid specs and admit automotive batteries. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 905-08 Janie moved to accept All County Disposal bid for rubbish collection. The costs are \$88.00 for the town hall location and \$77.00 for the seasonal park account. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

Copies of all bid specs are available in the township office upon request.

Jerry will take the bids to Tim Martin for review. Material bids that were presented but not advertised in the bid specs will not be considered.

Res. 906-08 Janie moved to adjourn the bid opening meeting and continue into the regular township meeting. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Res. 907-08 John moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, abstain. Kusar, aye.

Res. 908-08 John moved to pay the bills as the lawful obligation to the township. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Bills totaled \$11,126.31. Receipts were \$2,228.03

The fiscal officer asked what was the amount of the advance being requested from the Veteran's Coalition for Memorial Day Service expenses. The paperwork was addressed at the previous meeting. The trustees indicated it should be \$100.00.

In correspondence, a notice was received of a public hearing concerning FY 2008 CDBG grants, to take place on April 3, 2008 at 1:30pm.

The ACDES sent the township's easement agreement for the sewer project. The money to be paid the township for the easement is \$1,465.63.

LTAP sent information on concrete pavement inspection classes.

A notice of the Ashtabula County Health District Advisory Council meeting is March 27, 2008 at 7:00pm.

Copies of letters sent to various planners by the Zoning Commission were presented by Ted Seifert, Zoning Commission Chairman. They will be sent to OSU, McKenna, and Pogglemeyer.

Res. 909-08 John moved the township sign the township easement agreement. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

John Beninato gave his zoning report. A copy is available in the file.

Res. 910-08 John moved to set the trustee's Public Hearing on the proposed change to the zoning text for April 1, 2008 at 7:00pm. The change consists of acreage being reduced from 1 acre to .7 acre in the AC districts. Janie seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

John reported he had spoken with Joe Moroski about meeting to discuss the JEDD program. He sent Joe our regular meeting schedule, and invited him to attend one of Austinburg's public meetings to discuss JEDD.

John stated he had talked to the Fire Dept. and inquired about energizing the town hall to provide heat and shelter to residents in the event of a power outage. Jerry stated he had spoken to an electrician, and described what needed to be done to get power to the town hall from the fire dept. generator. It would be a relatively small expense.

Res. 911-08 John moved to have Jerry contact the electrician install the necessary outlets,

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etc. to power the town hall during outages when needed. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

John stated the copies of the newsletter are available for the board to review. He got prices on printing from Nizen's and Office Max. Nizen's will do 1200 copies for \$185.00.

Res. 912-08 John moved to have Nizen's do the newsletter printing at \$185.00 for 1, 200 copies. Janie seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

John addressed the sewer project packets he and Jerry will be delivering to representatives in Columbus.

Janie reported she received a call from Traci of Rolling and Hocevar regarding the installation of a fiber optical cable for AT&T. The project may be coordinated with the county and other townships as far as inspections and bonding. Discussion was held on the project and potential problems. Jerry will go to see Tim Martin, County Engineer to get some questions answered.

John had to leave the meeting due to his work schedule.

Janie stated Fire Chief Bill Wilms is due to renew his EMT training.

Res. 913-08 Janie moved that the township give Bill Wilms his roadman pay while he attends his EMT training. Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Janie said she got a call from Dan Claypool regarding the County's State of Emergency status, and we can forward a letter of intent to file for state disaster relief. If the storm clean up cost the township ½ of 1% of our budget, we may qualify. Janie has a letter ready to file.

Res. 914-08 Janie moved that Austinburg Twp. file a letter of intent to seek state disaster relief funds. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Janie will FAX the letter to the EMA office.

Jerry reported the speed limit signs on Dadeyville Rd. may be put up this week.

Jerry stated he and Pete looked at the drainage problems near Mrs. Montgomery's home. Discussion was held on possible solutions, project particulars, and size of pipe needed. Jerry said he was not sure who would pay for material.

Jerry discussed the idea of an equipment building as has been discussed. While checking on greenhouse type buildings, he spoke with Dave Smith about necessary specs. Jerry said he believed a pole barn structure to be just as economical as the greenhouse type building he had previously looked into, because the prices only included the initial kit.

Res. 915-08 Jerry moved to purchase the flags needed to place on the poles in town for Memorial Day. Janie seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Jerry said Congressman Steve LaTourette will be in town on March 26 at 1:00pm. He will meet trustees at the town hall for discussion on the sewer project.

Barb told Joe Bocchi what she had found out from the EMA about his recent flooding problem. He should start at the county, and it will go from there.

Mike Petro reported on storm clean up equipment hours and man hours. He told the trustees the crew had torn the bed off the old Mack truck for repair. Pete discussed road work needed and equipment needs. He said he would like to sit down with the trustees, possibly at a work session to discuss these issues.

In audience, Joe Bocchi reported on water going through a neighboring property instead of flowing to the river. Pete indicated to Mr. Bocchi the township cannot go onto private property. This would have to go through the county ditching program. Jerry said he will stop and take a look at the area.

Ted Seifert discussed upcoming zoning seminars, and stated zoning members may like to attend if allowed. One is April 25 on economical development, and May 23 on comprehensive planning put on by the OTA. Ted would like to attend the OTA seminar.

Res. 916-08 Jerry moved to allow Ted and other zoning members to attend the seminar. Janie seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Byron Dutton commended the road crew for their work during the recent ice and snow storms.

Nelson Hejduk stated he has checked with Smolen Engineering on the cost comparisons between the gravity and vacuum sewer systems. He stated it is going slow because Smolen does not have a contract with the county yet to do the comparisons.

Res. 917-08 At 9:10pm Jerry moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Janie seconded.