

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held September 2, 2008

The meeting of Austinburg Township held September 2, 2008 was called to order at 7:30pm with the pledge. Trustees Burke, Kusar, and Spade were present. Audience present were Ted Seifert, Mike Schaab, Byron Dutton II, and Marcy Hejduk.

Res. 1003-08 Jerry moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. John seconded. The roll call vote; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 1004-08 John moved to pay the bills as the lawful obligation to the township. Janie inquired about the bill from Southeastern Equipment. Jerry explained what had gone wrong with the boom mower. Janie felt he should have called the other trustees to authorize the repair. Janie then seconded the motion. The roll call vote; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Receipts totaled \$26,982.25. Bills totaled \$37,090.56.

In correspondence we received the Certificate of Estimated Resources from the County Auditor's office. This is based on the proposed budget for 2009. It is in the amount of \$1,226,906.18.

Res. 1005-08 Janie moved to accept the Certificate of Estimated Resources in the amount of \$1,226,906.18. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

The township received the packet on our OPWC project.

Res. 1006-08 Jerry moved to appoint Barb Schaab, fiscal officer as Chief Officer for the project and authorize her also to apply for funds from OPWC on behalf of the township. John seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

The fiscal officer reported the new computer is now installed, the old one belongs to the township, and will burn CD's if the zoning dept. could use it.

John reported he spoke with an instructor from the Vo-Ed concerning the mausoleum in Center Cemetery. The gentleman was inquiring when the students could start on the project. John stated we need to know the scope of the work and prices involved. Jerry is meeting with the instructor tomorrow at 4:30pm. Jerry stated he thinks they are only planning on pointing it up. It will be discussed at a later meeting after tomorrow's meeting with the instructor.

John talked to Larry Meany about the sewer cost comparison study and whether the discrepancies will be fixed. Larry recommended writing a letter to the County Commissioners Asking the report be looked at and fixed by a certain date. John will draw up a letter to that affect later this week.

John asked if Ted Seifert had received a letter of resignation from Val Danish. Ted had not yet. John suggested putting in an article in the township newsletter indicating the township is looking for people to fill vacancies on zoning boards.

Zoning text revisions have been provided to the trustees for review. The board is asked to bring questions if any, to the Zoning Commission for their future meeting.

John stated he would like to look at the possibility of earmarking funds from a revenue source for specific needs the township has.

Janie asked if the dump specs are being worked on. She stated Pete and Jerry were supposed to be putting them together. Jerry stated specs were only to be compiled for the one ton recently purchased. John stated he does not recall dump specs being discussed either.

Janie reported the NAD meeting is September 10, 2008 at 6:00pm in the NAD building.

Janie said the playground equipment is here. Pete is to co-ordinate with the RTS representative for installation.

Janie stated the cement pad is poured for our recycle bin.

Janie said she had received a call from Russ at PennOhio regarding a township fall clean up day. The county is having a haz-mat clean up day this month. The trustees discussed a fall clean up and it was decided to wait until spring.

Jerry reported he and Pete went to Quality Truck to look at the new one ton. There were questions on the placement of wiring etc. It may be finished this week. He stated the cab is blue and the bed is black. It will cost an extra \$800.00 if we want the bed painted to match the cab. Jerry stated he does not think it is worth the extra money. The paperwork from Greg Sweet on the truck was discussed. There is an extra \$250.00 for document fees and a \$5.00 title filing fee on the invoice. Barb stated there is a \$1.00 difference in the initial price quoted also. This is a difference of \$256.00

Res. 1007-08 John moved to authorize the purchase of the truck with this \$256.00 difference on the invoice. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke,

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aye.

Jerry reported on tiling Pelton Rd. He spoke with Norm Vowen, who can tile it for 50 cents per foot or \$90.00 per hour, whichever is cheapest. Jerry said Carter Lumber has a price of 24 cents per foot for 4" elephant trunk in 9,000 foot rolls. John asked how much stone will be needed. Jerry said he is not sure, but spoke to the County Engineer about trench width. He was told that state code requires the trench be 4" wider than the pipe installed.

Res. 1008-08 Jerry moved to berm tile Pelton Rd. from Rt. 307 down to Lampson Rd., on both sides of the road. John seconded. Jerry said Windstream stated they have moved the wires from the right of way, and said they will fix any damaged that are left there. Jerry will get that in writing from Windstream. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

Byron Dutton asked where the outlet will be. Discussion was held on where the grade falls there.

In audience participation, Ted Seifert mentioned the zoning text changes regarding signage. He said it would be helpful if the trustees could review them before the next Sept. trustee meeting, and have questions ready by the October Zoning Commission meeting.

Ted also said the Commission could use a fire-proof cabinet. He has a line on one for \$100.00 but it will need a key made.

Res. 1009-08 Jerry move Ted Seifert spend up to \$200.00 for the purchase of a fire-proof cabinet and have lock mechanism installed. Janie seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Mike Schaab stated he thinks the ball diamond at the township park needs to be worked on. The T-Ball league uses it, the infield needs fixed, it needs a back stop and fence. Janie stated these things have to be appropriated for. Janie said she had gotten prices on a back stop and will let Mike know. She also said we should wait until sewers are installed before work is done on the ball diamond. Mike stated the sewers won't affect the back stop or field. He said he would like to see the field fitted up properly this fall. He stated when he spoke with representatives of Little League, they said if it was fixed up they could use it as a practice field, and Special Olympics could use it for games. Janie said when she talked to someone from Little League, they were not in favor of a dirt infield for T-Ball. She said this is a big undertaking for the township. Jerry stated he recollected that when the park committee meetings were going on, fixing the ball field was discussed. Mike said the money allocated was to be split between playground equipment and the field. Mike will check with Scott from Little League to see what should be done as long as the township is entertaining the idea of fixing the field. Jerry asked Mike to get figures for next meeting.

Byron Dutton inquired what the mausoleum will be used for when it is repaired. John said he is not sure what the township's position is, but is a historical fixture for the cemetery. Discussion was held on using the building to make money.

Byron said the road crew did a good job with chip and seal.

Marcy asked about the tap in fee the township paid for the road garage. John stated nothing can be found in the minutes, he will talk to Larry Meany.

Res. 1010-08 With no other business, Jerry moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. John seconded.

Jerry Benke
Chairman of Board

Barbara Schaab