

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held July 20, 2009

The regular meeting of Austinburg Twp. held July 20, 2009 was called to order at 7:30pm. Trustees Burke, Spade, Kusar, Cher Gilson, Nelson Hejduk, Marcy Hejduk, Shelley Kelnor, Ginny Seifert, Gary Welch, Byron Dutton, and Joe Hejduk were present.

Res. 1199-09 John moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 1200-09 John moved to pay the bills. Janie seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

Receipts, \$4,680.28. Bills, \$33,573.69 with an additional \$44.00 for stamps.

In correspondence, a ballot was received for a run-off election for the OPWC Integrating Committee.

Res. 1201-09 John moved to vote for F. James Hammar and William Wilson. Janie seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

John Beninato gave his zoning report. The following issues were discussed; trucks parking in Flying J, sign permit violation at Better N Bulk, and waiving of sign permit fees. Byron Dutton stated he believed there was a trustee resolution years ago regarding the changing of text on an existing sign. Janie said fees are set for businesses, here and at the county level. We should not use spot zoning and that this is the way our text is now. There are ways to change the text if we need to. John asked John B. to check on fees in other townships and see if our fees are comparable. This info will be brought back to the board.

John K. reported on the public hearing regarding the sign changes. People at the hearing were not happy with the Zoning Commission that evening. There will be a special meeting of the Zoning Commission on July 23 at 7:00pm to discuss the Prosecutor's opinion on the proposed changes as well as public feedback on same.

Janie reported the township park dumpster was moved to the township garage. Janie also spoke with the Schaeffers of Maple St.

The NAD meeting will be held Aug. 8 at 6:00pm. Janie gave the July NAD report.

Janie stated Vince Gildone of NAD received notice from ODOT that the light promised for Clay St. and Rt. 45 will be in by July 1, 2010 instead of this year. The Opticon system will be installed at the light at GH Dr. and Rt. 45, and Rt. 45 and Clay, when those lights are installed. This system allows the light to be fixed red by emergency personnel for safety.

Janie took the bid package to the County Prosecutor and Engineer and it is signed. Paving is scheduled to start tomorrow.

Janie stated we need more letters for the sign out front.

Res. 1202-09 John moved to purchase another set of letters from Cicogna Sign Co. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Janie reported Miami Univ., who prints township sourcebooks now has one available for zoning. It is a good tool for our zoning personnel, and she would like the township to purchase a couple copies at \$20.00 each. Janie stated she will leave her copy on the desk for the trustees to view, and the board will decide at a later date.

Janie said she still believes first and last names of trustees should be included in the first paragraph of the minutes. Jerry said he does not feel that first names are necessary. John agreed it is not necessary. Barb said she did not feel this change is needed, as it is clear who the trustees are, and feels the minutes can remain the same as they have been.

Jerry said paving on the River Glen project is starting tomorrow. The Riverview area can be done in one pass, but since there is only one way in and out of River Glen, it will have to be done in two passes.

Jerry stated Tim Martin has not done the grade for drains on Pelton Rd. yet.

Jerry reported on maintenance on the old Mack. Sidley did the work for about \$1,100.00. Discussion was held on repairs to the truck.

Jerry reported berming is being done on Forman Rd.

Jerry said the garage insulation will be started next Monday.

Jerry stated there was some possible confusion on the extra 50 cents per hour for a temporary road supervisor being paid all the time or only during Pete's extended absences. John and Janie both agreed it was to be paid only during Pete's absence.

In audience, Cher Gilson gave comments on the Zoning Commission public hearing on July 8.

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Byron Dutton also commented on the public hearing of July 8. He commented on signage allowed, particularly in the AC districts.

Byron inquired if there were any other paving projects besides River Glen and Riverview areas.

Joe Hejduk shared some information on a slag material being used in Madison to pave roads. He stated it does not deteriorate and there is no loose stone. They apply an emulsion, and the slag is placed on top.

Joe requested a letter informing him what if anything has been found regarding a zoning hearing notice from 1990. The fiscal officer stated she has found indication of a notice being placed for said hearing, and has copied Joe on those minutes. She will check further on the content of a notice, and will get back to him as requested.

Nelson Hejduk commented on the July 8 public hearing of the Zoning Commission.

Janie stated that Northeast Cleaners that cleaned the town hall informed her the windows in the hall need some maintenance. The caulking is falling out in some places. Some windows need repairs. Janie said this should be put on the agenda for the near future.

Res. 1203-09 John moved to adjourn the meeting. Jerry seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Jerry Burke
Board Chairman
Barbara Schaub