

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held April 19,

2010

The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held April 19, 2010 was called to order at 7:30pm. Trustees Burke, Kusar, Spade, Ted, Ginny Seifert, Winnie Cerbin, David Thomas, Bill Thomas, and Don Herman were present.

Res. 1342-10 John moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 1343-10 John moved to pay the bills as the lawful obligation to the township. Janie seconded. The roll call; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Receipts, \$232,967.39. Bills; \$13,013.10

In correspondence the township received a copy of the Health District Advisory Council resolution stating the cost of and intent to purchase the Health Dept. building from the Commissioners.

We received the OPWC first round pre-application information. Jerry stated he would like to apply for funding for the next section of Forman Rd., from Rt. 307 to Lampson Rd. Jerry will request an estimate from the County Engineer.

John Beninato gave his zoning report. Discussion was held on Austinburg Elementary school construction, and the possible need for a variance.

John K. reminded everyone the newsletter articles are due.

John reported he received the estimate from Smolen on the cost of drawing the plans and specs for the town hall project. The cost is \$19,550.00. This amounted to almost 20% of what was originally a \$100,000.00 project. The project got larger when air conditioning and electric upgrades were included. Discussion was held on scaling back the town hall project, John will go back to Smolen's to see about getting the engineering down to a more reasonable cost.

John said at the trustees' work session, appropriations for buildings was discussed. By his calculations only about \$17,000.00 has been appropriated for this year. These can be looked at and changed for next year to encompass building projects.

John distributed a letter to residents in the sewer area informing them of a CDBG grant possibility for those LMI residents who qualify. He said about 15 responded.

Res. 1344-10 John moved the trustees sign and approve the CDBG application when it is ready asking the Commissioners to set aside funds for eligible residents. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

John sent an e-mail to Larry Meaney regarding a lateral pipe issue. John said the plans show the contractor is to install some laterals deeper than the sewer main. He has not heard anything from Larry yet. Jerry stated he spoke with Larry Meaney about the sewer laterals also. Jerry said Mike Schaab had spoken with Jeremy of Mr. Excavator, and was given a quote of approximately \$30.00 per foot for non-basement homes and \$40.00 per foot for basement homes. Discussion was held on the price of installing the piping.

Janie stated she spoke with Janice Schweitzer. The county will not be having their tire collection day this year. The county hazardous waste collection will be held Sept. 18 though.

Janie said Janice stated there may be USDA grants for eligible residents. Those would be applied for by the residents directly. Janie said the township could maybe hold a town hall meeting to help residents get the information and make application for these grants. There is also 1% loans available through the program.

Janie said the planning for Memorial Day service is going well. The Junior High band has committed to the parade.

Janie reported on the survey of residents on Chapel Rd. to inquire about interest in a water line. She stated most residents of that area are not interested in a water line, or were non-responders.

Janie said she received calls from Sheakley Uni- Services Inc., a Workers' Comp third party administrator company looking for information from the township. She said she never

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Jerry said he brought the cemetery maps to the county engineer's office for reproduction.

Jerry reported the cemetery mats the township purchased will be shipped here.

Jerry said the #8 stone sample that was gathered has too much fines in it. He took a sample to Tim Martin to let him take a look at it. If it is not acceptable for CRS2 application, the bid on the #8 stone may be rejected.

Jerry stated the Vo-Ed school will not be able to start work on the storage building this fall but can work on it next spring.

Janie stated she spoke to Janet Discher about the Sav-A-Lot abatement agreement. Janet stated the township should have been included in the discussions. Janet told Janie that the law changed on personal property tax. Because of that, Sav-A-Lot received a letter from their attorney indicating they had over donated. There was an outside legal opinion gathered, that stated there was only a 50/50 chance this new agreement would hold up in court. Geneva Schools, the Vo-Ed, and county decided to agree to the new agreement rather than take a chance fighting it in court. John stated he would like to see the legal opinion. Janie said Janet has a copy at the county.

In audience, Ginny Seifert gave a price quote from Behm Memorials to the trustees on restoring the 4 tablets on the park memorial. She stated she will donate the \$750.00 memorial money from her family to the project. The quote was \$1,500.00 for granite lettering and installation, plus set up charges. Janie will contact Behm to check on what the set up charges will be and cost of cleaning the statue.

Res. 1345-10 John moved to adjourn the meeting. Jerry seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

*Jerry Beech*  
*Board Chairman*  
*Barbara Schaub*