

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held April 4,

2011

The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held April 4, 2011 was called to order at 7:30pm. Trustees Burke, Kusar, Spade, Ted and Ginny Seifert, Mike Petro, Byron Dutton, Bob and Karen Ruck, Winnie Cerbin, Dave and Bill Thomas, and Joe Hejduk were present.

Janie stated that Res. 64-11 contained in the March 21, 2011 minutes needed to reflect it was the bid from PennOhio being accepted.

Res. 74-11 Jerry moved to accept the minutes of the March 21 bid opening and regular meetings. Janie seconded.(with above addition to Res. 64-11) The roll call vote; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

Res. 75-11 Jerry moved to pay the bills as the obligation to the township. John seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Receipts were \$8,353. 13. Bills totaled \$18,943.18.

Res. 76-11 Janie moved to have Copper Mechanical test the three backflow devices as required by the county. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 77-11 John moved to waive the permit fee for the town hall project. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Janie reported the NAD meeting is April 6, 2011 at 7:00pm.

Jerry mentioned there is a trap door in the ceiling of the town hall that he thinks should be left in. John spoke to Matt from Schwartz Construction, they will leave it in for access.

Jerry said he spoke with Larson and he will be coming to take a look at the grader this week.

Jerry said he will be following up on prices of alternate heaters for the garage. John said we need to have a gas line installed there.

Jerry reported Schwartz Construction left him contracts to be signed last Friday. One goes back to the contractor.

Jerry spoke to the Commissioners about the catch basins on Sidley Ct. They will be looked at this week, hopefully we can get them repaired with TIF money.

Res. 78-11 Jerry moved the board apply for OPWC funds to continue work on Forman Rd. from Rt. 307 to Lampson Rd. Janie seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Mike Petro gave his road dept. report.

Res. 79-11 Jerry moved Pete place an 8 inch pipe in the ditch going across the road on Woodside Ext. to correct a drainage problem occurring there. John seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Pete reported township roads are coming apart worse this year than last. He would like to do more CRS2. Pete also stated equipment decisions need to be made. He said the crack sealing definitely needs to be done this year. Pete also will check prices on a truckload of assorted pipe sizes. Purchasing a full truck load saves the township money.

Dan from Schwartz Construction spoke with the board about the town hall project. He will get prices on smoke detectors with CO2 alarms. Dan also addressed safety issues with the town hall work. He said he is happy to show people the hall, but they need to notify a worker first. Everyone entering the work site needs to wear a hard hat. Also, with the lead issues, a no access policy is in effect. He said safety must come first.

John reported the newsletter is at the printer.

John addressed the new septic system legislation pending. A new system will now cost between \$15,000. And \$25,000. These new systems will not work well in our area's soil types. Each system will require an annual inspection at an additional cost to the property owner as well as to the county. They would need additional manpower.

Byron Dutton asked about the township policy on occupancy permits. The Rucks are moving their business just down the road. They paid an occupancy permit before when they moved in, but the board did cut in half. John feels the permit fees are too high and would make a motion that all township permit fees be \$25.00. No one seconded this motion. Barb Schaab said that perhaps the trustees could review the fee schedule, but decisions should not be made business by business, so as not to set precedents.

Res. 80-11 Jerry moved that John Beninato issue an occupancy permit, since this is the way he keeps track of the businesses in Austinburg, but the fee be waived since they are only moving a short distance down the road. John seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

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Joe Hejduk said the state is not maintaining their road ditches very well. He suggested letters be written to ODOT. Joe told the trustees that Madison uses a rubber mulch around their playground equipment, and it is held in by frames made with lumber.

Ginny Seifert said she will take the pictures home that were removed from the town hall and redo them.

Res. 81-11 Jerry moved to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. The meeting ended at 8:55pm.

