

Austinburg Township

March 2, 2020

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. Residents in attendance included Mike Kovacic, Joe Hejduk Jr., Ginny Seifert, Andy Tetlow, Lt. Jackson, Mike Petro, John Beninato and Bill Wilms.

Res. 33-20 Jerry moved to accept the minutes as written, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 34-20 John moved to pay the bills, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Bills paid were \$15,108.91 and Receipts were \$ 22,769.58.

In terms of correspondence we received a quote from Canter's Classic Lawn Care for 2020. Ashtabula County Commissioners sent an application for Memorial Day expenses. Plants & Goodwin contacted us about plugging 2 wells on North Lampson Rd. The Legal Notice for stone, gravel, cold patch, etc. has been put in the Star Beacon. The County Commissioners have asked if we would send a letter in regards to the need of a broadband network. Annual Health District Advisory Council Meeting will be held March 26 at 7:00 pm. The 21st Local Government Officials Conference will be held April 7th -9th in Columbus. We received a notice from the State Ohio Taxation Dept. that the property tax on the cemetery parcel behind the Andover bank will be removed.

John Beninato, Zoning Inspector said not much has been going on just correspondence on accessory buildings. John said Sidley had been in contact with him with a question about getting a tax exception letter. John called them back and told them to contact the County Auditor's office.

Bill Wilms, Fire Chief reported on the MARCS radios. The department would like to purchase 12 portables and 3 mobiles. If we purchase it would be \$43,680. However the Fire Dept. is applying for a grant where we would only have to pay 10% which would be \$4,368. Res. 35-20 John moved to have the Fire Dept. purchase the MARCS radios at \$4,368 which is 10% if the grant is approved, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bill will have NAD check the AED in the Townhall.

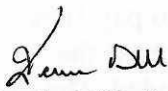
Mike Petro, Road Supervisor reported that there is a need to purchase a new coupler and pins. Res. 36-20 John moved to purchase a new coupler and pins through Southeastern Equip for \$1,629.67, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Res. 37-20 Byron moved to purchase bolts, washers and nuts through Kimball Midwest for \$849.00, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye, Kusar, aye. Res. 38-20 Byron moved to purchase a welder from Delta Railroad for \$3,019.16, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Mike reported he talked to the gas well people about plugging the wells on Lampson. John Kusar will email them to see what they are looking for. The big issue seems to be the load limits in regards to what they will be hauling out on Lampson Road. Mike said the road signs are up on North Forman Road in the S curve. Byron asked Lt. Jackson if she could let them know what caused the accidents there, because the County wants to know if there is anything else they could do to help reduce the risk.

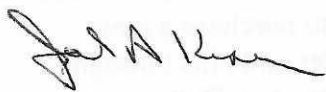
Jerry had nothing to report just waiting for weather to break so they can start work on South Forman Rd again. Byron reported he is working on the grant for Solid Waste

reimbursement. Gordon Brail mentioned that there is an ODNR grant that might help with repairs to the Tote Road park boat ramp. NAD is receiving an award from the State for the amount of success when it comes to saving people who are having a Heart Attack. Butch Callaway has inquired about the roadway rights on Lampson Road in regards to the old part of Lampson. Byron will do a write up in regards to Lampson Road and send it to the Prosecutor. There is a Zoning meeting this Wednesday, March 4 at 5:15 pm. Res. 39-20 John moved to hire Canter's Classic Lawn Care for 2020 mowing for the cost of \$16,537.50, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. John asked the fellow Trustees to read over the work rules for Highway Supervisor and Highway Maintenance Worker. John wants to vote on this next meeting. John reported he spoke with Madison Township and Madison Village in regards to storage containers. John reported that Madison doesn't have permanent storage structures at this time because of their building permits. John asked Joe Hejduk Jr for a list of the supposed storage containers here in Austinburg. Joe Hejduk Jr said it was up to John Beninato to go find them. John reported that the County Engineer says we have up to 2 years to use the OPWC grant on South Forman Road. With that in mind John feels we shouldn't bid the work until Nov/Dec for paving for 2021. Jerry will get the information needed to bid out the piping that needs done on South Forman Road.

Resident Andy Tetlow explained where we were on the website. The website is up to date at this point except the calendar part. Andy is still working on what would be the best company to go through for the domain. Lt. Jackson from the Highway State Patrol at the Ashtabula Post is going around visiting the local Townships. Lt. Jackson gave some stats on the amount of calls, types of calls, arrests, 15 fatalities etc. for 2019 with a staff of about 12 people at the Ashtabula Post.

Res. 40-20 John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.


Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer


John Kusar, Board Chairman