

Austinburg Township

July 6, 2020

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. Residents in attendance included Sarah Frank, Mike Petro and John Beninato.

Res. 86-20 Jerry moved to accept the minutes as written, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.

Res. 87-20 Jerry moved to pay the bills, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.

Bills paid were \$20,449.50 and Receipts were \$13,380.96.

In terms of correspondence we received notice that the River's Edge Cottage is no longer being rented as a vacation rental as of 6/21/2020 which takes them off the bed tax charge. We received notice that there will be no Austinburg Country Days this year. We need to vote on whether to apply for the 2020 NOPEC grant for the Township. NOPEC is going to drop off a box of supplies called the Staff Safety Kit. This will contain supplies in regards to COVID and social distancing. The Hartsgrove Township Trustees sent an email asking for a donation to help defray the cost of the water for the park going up on Route 45 in Rome Township by Rome Fire Dept. The Ashtabula County Covered Bridge committee has asked if we would again pay for a portable restroom at the Mechanicsville Bridge. The cost for the restroom this year is \$109. Last year the cost was \$70, but because of COVID you have to now have a sink with running water with the restroom. We received a notice from CCP Industries that we have a new rep James Hopkins.

The Fiscal Officer reported that we received our new Amended Official Certification. This had to be asked for because past checks were voided and put back in their appropriate accounts. The Fiscal Officer reported that the Tax Budget for 2021 has been turned into the County Auditor and Commissioners.

Res. 88-20 Jerry moved to support the Ashtabula County Covered Bridge Festival with the purchase of a portable restroom plus sink for a cost \$109, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.

Res. 89-20 Jerry moved to apply for the NOPEC grant for 2020, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.

Zoning Inspector John Beninato turned in his report. The sign at the Clay St Inn parking lot has been corrected. John mentioned he may be looking to step down this fall.

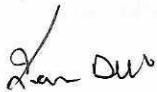
Road Supervisor Mike Petro reported that Suit-Kote will start applying CRS-2 (chip n seal) to certain roads. Mike read off the list of roads and a total of about 10 miles will be done. Some of the roads getting CRS-2 are paved. Bunn should be starting the trenching on Forman Road possibly by Wed. 7/8. Mike has rented a truck from Larson's trucking for \$60.00 per hour to help with hauling. Harpersfield Township has agreed to help us with the Forman Road project and also Jefferson Township if needed. Once Bunn has completed the trenching they will look to put the lift in on Forman Road. Mike asked to rent a 6 foot roller. The paving on Dadeyville Road will not start until August. The Ford tractor needs to have 4 new tires. Osborn has given a price of around \$2,126 including coming out to install. Jerry will check with a couple of other tire places.

Byron reported that NAD will be meeting back in person this month. Byron asked Mike about putting down stone on the tar on the roads. Mike reported they are already

putting down size 8 stone on the roads to help secure the tar. They may need to purchase more size 8 stone. Jerry reported the paperwork for the Dadeyville road project has been all filled out and turned in.

Zoning Secretary Sarah Frank asked about getting keys for the zoning file cabinets that are still missing. Jerry will look into possibly getting new fire proof file cabinets since the other ones are in rough shape.

Res. 90-20 Jerry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm, seconded by Byron. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Gerald Burke, Board Vice Chairman