

Austinburg Township Meeting
July 19, 2021

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Mike Kovacic, Owen Stone, Pete Haase, Rob Lupah and Jacklyn Krysa and Bill Wilms

Res. 101-21 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal aye.

Res. 102-21 John moved to pay the bills, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal, aye. Bills paid were \$260,739.59 and receipts were \$2,140.93.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from the Ashtabula County Covered Bridge Festival thanking us for supporting the festival. We received the approved ballot language back from the Secretary of State for the 2 levies that will be on the ballot this fall. We received an email from Tim Martin's office saying that Jefferson Eagleview Road will be closed July 23 - Aug. 9, 2021 for culvert replacement.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms asked to purchase 5 sets of new turn out gear for the Fire Dept. Res. 103-21 John moved to have the Fire Chief purchase 5 sets of new turn out gear at an approximate cost of \$8,875.00, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal aye.

Zoning administrator Rob Lupah had nothing to report.

Byron reported on a change request from OPWC that if we don't need to take the loan to leave it off the OPWC grant request so it then frees up money for other Townships. Res. 104-21 Byron stated we will not be taking the loan for \$50,000 as part of the OPWC grant for dirt work on Forman Road between Lampson and Allen, John seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal aye. Byron will be getting business cards for Bill, Rob and Pete. The zoning meeting that was held tonight did pass and now needs to go to a public meeting. Res. 105-21 Byron moved to have a public hearing at 6:00 pm at the Austinburg Townhall to hear the zoning request change, John seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal aye. Byron also mentioned that the road dept still needs to look at getting a wood chipper. Byron reported the berms on Pelton Road need taken down. Byron asked again about what to do if an individual wanted to give a donation to the fire dept. After discussion it would probably be best used if the donation goes to the Austinburg Fire Dept Assoc.

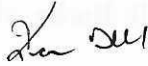
John reported he spoke with Ronyak paving in regards to the paving bill for Forman road. The original bid was for \$213,097 and the first change order of \$5,185. The total bill so far is \$218,282 which was paid this meeting. Ronyak will be sending a change order for the leveling course on Forman road for the difference of the final bill. Dexter truck was contacted. When the road dept goes to pick up the truck they will take the check at the same time. John spoke with the County Engineer in regards to a street light at Clay St. and Sexton Road. The county will request information from ODOT to start looking at the amount of accidents at the intersection to see if there is a need for lights or different stop signs. MSDS for chemicals used in the cemeteries for weed control will be on file at the road dept. The spraying of the road ways had been started. However due to the rain, it was put on hold. John reported that after applying the rubber mulch at the playground in the park it was discovered to have small nails in it. The mulch has been removed. Res. 106-21 John moved to order 35 yards of double ground certified playground mulch from Brobst at \$28 a yard delivered, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal aye. John wants to get WIFI at the Township Garage plus

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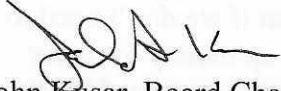
have Mike Petro use the old Township computer. Bill will contact Spectrum about getting the WIFI hooked up since they are already the carrier we use for the Township. John reported we will not be chip and sealing on Forman Road between Allen and Lampson because of the project coming next year to that road. Instead that will be used to double chip a road some place else in the Township to see how well it holds up. The section between Forman and Rt 45 on Lampson Road is suppose to be repaired by ODOT per Jerry because of the detour on Route 45 earlier this month.

Resident Jackyln Krysa asked if signs will be posted on the property in question. The signs will get a corrected date and be reused. Jackyln Krysa asked about the rubber mulch that was donated to the Township. It was explained it will be thrown in with clean up day and thrown out. Jackyln Krysa also inquired about a new fire station/community center. Pete Haase asked if there was anyway that the rails to trails could help pay for the part of Lampson that was torn up during the detour however that is an ODOT issue.

Res. 107-21 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, absent. Dutton, aye. Kusal, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusal, Board Chairman