

Austinburg Township Meeting
September 20, 2021

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Mike Kovacic, Pete Haase, S Bailey, Lorna Masek, Rob Lupah, Owen Stone, Mike Petro, Dave Turner, Richard Magda and Brian O'Dell.

Res. 127-21 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kular aye.

Res. 128-21 Jerry moved to pay the bills, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kular, aye. Bills paid were \$13,898.66 and receipts were \$14,601.28.

In terms of correspondence we received an email from the Ashtabula County Community Services & Planning office. There is a public hearing on proposed revisions to the Ashtabula County Subdivision Regulations being held on October 13th, 2021 at 3:00 pm. We received an email from NOPEC that we can only escrow funds for 2 years. So, we have \$4,739.00 left from 2019 that needs to be in a project by October 31. Also, the 2021 funds need to be in a project or escrow by that day as well. We received a packet on the Ohio Dept of Transportation Township Stimulus Program.

Zoning Administrator, Rob Lupah reported on issuing an accessory garage permit.

Road Supervisor, Mike Petro reported on a drainage issue on Pheasant Run Road. Mike has asked if we can get something in writing in regards to tiling and piping because of the issues which are starting to arise from some property owners. Byron and Mike will go over to the County Engineers to get answers and procedures for ditches with tile and catch basins. Dan Gildersleeve gave a proposal for new lightening at the Road Dept. We are still working on finding titles for the 1991 Mack and for the new trailer. Once we find them we can get plates for the vehicles.

Res. 129-21 John moved to go with Dan Gildersleeve proposal for new lighting at the Road Dept at a cost of \$4,845, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kular aye.

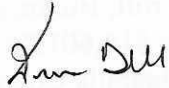
Jerry asked if we had gotten any cold patch. Mike said we hadn't so we might look into 411 stone instead. Byron reported on Dan Gildersleeve turning in the bill for work done in the park for Austinburg Country Days for \$250 however he did it as an in-kind donation. Byron reported on the Ohio Dept of Transportation Township Stimulus Program. John said we should have Mike get a list of roads that need chip and sealed, then use the money from the ODOT Township Stimulus grant. Byron said the OPWC grant paperwork for Round 36 needs filled out. There was some discussion of possibly carrying NARCOM on the fire trucks. John reported on the getting the quote from National Trench Safety. The quote for the trench box is \$14,279.67 and our cost would be about \$3,000 after the grant. John reported that some new chains, straps etc. will need to be purchased to be used with the trench box. John is looking to maybe use the NOPEC 2021 grant money of \$3,191 to possibly put in a new furnace and air conditioning in the Township Office. John will have Penguin come out and give us a price on heating/air. John reported that Ted Seifert had asked if the Township would consider refunding the Austinburg United Church of Christ for Scope bill for the drainage issue that was fixed from the park to State Route 307.

Resident Pete Haase asked again about the road ditch/tiling issues and why the Township would be responsible for it. John said Byron will have better information on that subject after he gets with the County Engineer. Dave Turner reported that he is the home owner on Pheasant Run that is having the drainage issues from the neighbor. Mrs.

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Bailey asked if there were grants for beautification projects. She would like to see trees and flowers planted in town.

Res. 130-21 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusar, Board Chairman