

Austinburg Township Year End Meeting
December 29, 2021

The Special Year End meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Pete Haase, Rob Lupah, Ted Seifert, Brian O'Dell, Bill Wilms, Mike Petro, Wesley Wilms, Ted Wilms.

Res. 169-21 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 170-21 John moved to pay the bills, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$17,370.83 and receipts were \$16,385.26. Fire Dependency Board was called to order by Secretary Ted Seifert at 7:30 pm. Present for the meeting was Wesley Wilms and Rob Lupah. Chief Bill Wilms reported that Linda Lemponen was given the paperwork to file for benefits. At this point Linda Lemponen said she wasn't interested. Motion to adjourn by Trustee John Kusar and seconded by Rob Lupah at 7:35 pm.

In terms of correspondence the fire department received the OTARMA Fire Policy Grant for \$552. We received the new "inside millage/levies" valuation for the 2022 from the Auditors Office. The EMA office sent the invoice for 2022 in regards to the Urban Search and Rescue Region 2 and the AGL Bomb Squad. The total invoice is \$83.49. Res. 171-21 moved to pay the 2022 invoice for the EMA office, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The Fiscal Officer presented temporary appropriations to the Board of Trustees in the amount of \$457,960.00. Res. 172-21 Jerry moved to accept the temporary appropriations for 2022, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lupah had nothing to report. John asked Rob to go around and get a list of possible structures that could be submitted to the land bank to get the structures removed. The new hotel should be opening after the first of the year and the new Family Dollar will open middle of January.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms asked if the Trustees could start looking into getting Fire Districts started. Man power is down for many local fire departments. The Fire Chief also asked to possibly look into a Fire Chief's car or at least a Township vehicle that could be used by the road and bridge department. Equipment is in pretty good shape except for the issues because of the age of truck 501. The Fire Department had 173 calls this year. The Fire Chief also asked to please look at raising his pay rate for 2022.

Road Supervisor Mike Petro reported on a list of equipment needs/wants for 2022. Mike also mentioned about getting a vehicle that the fire department and road department could share. Still looking at the need of a boom mower and wood chipper. John has been looking at prices for a new tractor then we can look at prices for boom mowers to go with it. Mike would like to look at getting a new salt bin. Will need possible tires and rims for the loader. There was some discussion on the Forman Road ditching project for 2022. John is going to try and get with a few residents that live on the South of Forman Road between Lampson and Allen Road to see about getting the County out there to look at connecting the ditches for better drainage.

Cemetery Sexton Bill Wilms reported we need to think about expanding Eagleville Cemetery. The cemetery is running out of plots plus the road in and out needs widened. Trustee have asked to send a question to the prosecutor as to Indigent Burial.


Jerry asked Mike if we had enough salt for the season. Byron had the NAD report plus the union agreement. NAD ran just over 3,000 calls for 2021. John went and talked

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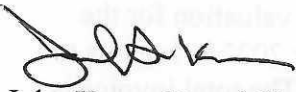
to the water department about getting information to run city water. There is new information coming out in February 2022 from the water department.

Resident Ted Seifert asked if anyone has looked at the pedestrian bridge on Route 307. Ted Wilms asked for a moment of silence in memory for Tim Hunt for his years of service as an Austinburg Trustee. Ted Wilms also thanked Jerry Burke for his years of service as a Trustee and a fireman.

Res. 173-21 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusar, Board Chairman