

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held April 7, _____ 2008

The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held April 7, 2008 was called to order at 7:30pm by Chair Jerry Burke. Trustees Kusar and Spade were present. Audience present were Marcie and David Turk, Eileen Kusar, Winnie Cerbin, Ginny Seifert, Dave Irons, Ben Paxton, Marcy Hejduk, Nelson Hejduk, Diane Mongenel, Byron Dutton II, and Joe Hejduk.

Res. 928-08 Janie moved to approve the minutes from March 17, 2008 bid meeting and regular meeting as written. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Res. 929-08 Janie moved to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2008 special meeting as written. John seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 930-08 John moved to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2008 public hearing as written. Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 931-08 John moved to pay the bills as the lawful obligation to the township. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Bills totaled \$24,479.18. Receipts totaled \$248,592.72. Our first half real estate tax settlement came in. Janie asked the fiscal officer to report next meeting if there was any change in the tax settlement between last year and this year.

In correspondence we received the first Notice of Award from the Ohio Dept. of Public Safety regarding financial relief from the ice storm.

Notices were received indicating the township backflow devices need to be inspected.

A certificate of liability insurance was received from Suit-Kote.

Res. 932-08 Jerry moved to have Copper mechanical do the backflow valve inspections. Janie seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Barb will let Mike know.

John Beninato gave his zoning report. A copy is available in the township file.

Marcy Hejduk asked John about people living in campers. John stated this is a zoning violation. She was referring to the camper located across from the town hall, adjacent to her property.

John Kusar stated he had spoken to Ted Seifert about the mausoleum building in Center Cemetery. John mentioned possibly contracting with the Vo-Ed school to make repairs to the building. Discussion was held on the bricks the building is composed of and necessary repairs.

John stated he will work on getting the map of the Corridor Plan copied. The Zoning Commission is looking at the Corridor Plan, and the map would be helpful to them.

John reported Chris Paxton had spoken to him about possibly getting copies made of the picture hanging in the office. Jerry said he has no objection as long as the picture does not get ruined. Chris has spoken with the artist, and he gave his ok to have copies made.

Janie spoke with Pete about setting up a work session with the trustees. The work session will be held Wednesday, April 16 at 7:00pm.

Janie announced Austinburg is hosting the Commissioners in conjunction with Saybrook and Trumbull Twps. at the town hall on Tuesday, April 8 at 5:30pm. The agenda session will begin at 6:00pm.

Janie asked Jerry if he had spoken to Tim Martin about the fiber optic cable that is going to be installed. Jerry brought the trustees' concerns to Tim. Mr. Martin stated the county can hold the bond, and if the township had other concerns, they could bring them to the company, and the company would be required to comply. The letter Janie has ready to send to the county will be signed by the trustees.

Res. 933-08 Janie moved Austinburg Twp. Trustees have Ashtabula County issue a utility permit to Rolling and Hocevar for installing the cable. The county will hold the bond and do all inspections of the project. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Janie stated she has contacted the Geneva Jr. High band for the Memorial Day parade. They will be here for the parade. Janie will arrange for a speaker for the service in the park.

Jerry reported he was called by a resident on Pelton Rd. The resident was concerned about flags his neighbor was putting in. The neighbor is installing a turn-around. Jerry stated there has been a disagreement there in recent years. The resident called again about some digging by the road. The neighbor was installing a tile to drain his property, and everything is ok there now.

Jerry was contacted by Mr. Schaeffer on Maple St. concerning the rubbish company

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emptying the dumpster early in the morning. Jerry told him the trustees will get hold of the company and see if it can be scheduled later in the day. Janie stated Waste Management has been the one there early in the morning. We just contracted with All County for rubbish collection. Jerry will contact them to see what time they are coming in.

Jerry spoke with Mark Walker about the detour signs being placed on township roads for the work being done to the Sexton Rd. overpass. Mr. Walker said that was done in error. They will move the signs and will be out to video the road condition. Jerry requested to ride with him when they video, and the state will rectify any damage done to our road due to detouring.

Jerry said the Dadeyville Rd. speed limit signs are in place.

Jerry said he is trying to get the townships affected by the Waste Management expansion together for a meeting.

Discussion was held on advertising for part time road dept. help. Janie said there is a list that Pete can draw from. Jerry stated he would still like to advertise the position. John stated both the list and applicants could be used to draw from. Discussion was held by the trustees about a part time person needing a CDL. Pete will be asked what he may need in a part time roadman and then we will advertise accordingly.

Res. 934-08 John moved to advertise for quotes on mowing the township cemeteries and parks. Janie seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

Janie stated she received a follow-up letter about the water service survey for the Rt. 307 area, between Laurello's and Mechanicsville Rd. She will contact Larry Meaney to inquire where our property is involved there.

In audience participation, Ginny Seifert asked about the township recycle bins. Janie stated Janice told her they will be here this spring. Janie was hopeful they might be in by our clean up day on April 26.

Nelson Hejduk thanked Jerry and John for their trip to Columbus to give information about the sewers. Nelson addressed the two sewer plans being reviewed by Smolen Engineering. Nelson said Smolen received the contract from the county last week to perform the cost comparisons.

John Kusar said the EPA charges \$15,000.00 to review the sewer plans. He said this should be free since the EPA is mandating the project. He spoke with the EPA and they informed him there is no mechanism in the ORC to allow the review to be free.

Byron Dutton asked about a public water outlet near our water tower. Janie stated they are continuing to contract with Harpersfield for now.

Eileen Kusar discussed unemployment weeks required and part time employees.

Winnie Cerbin informed the trustees the speed limit sign on Forman Rd. has been altered to read 85mph.

Ben Paxton asked if anything could be done about parking in the town hall parking lot near his home on Friday and Saturday nights. Jerry stated since this is a public building, a no parking issue would be hard to control or enforce.

Res. 935-08 Jerry moved to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Jerry Burke
Chairman

Barbara Schaub

Janie Spade
John