

Austinburg Township Meeting
June 6, 2022

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Mike Kovacic, Rob Lapuh, Lorna Masek, Brian O'Dell, Owen Stone and Ted Seifert.

Res. 86-22 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 87-22 John moved to pay the bills, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$64,343.16 and receipts were \$24,425.89.

In terms of correspondence we received an email from the Austinburg United Church of Christ wondering if we would help sponsor the Community Picnic in the Park July 21, 2022 the cost is \$250. We received a copy of the Rental Fact Book for Ashtabula County. Pinney Dock in Ashtabula sent a letter stating they will be charging a fuel surcharge starting July 1, 2022.

The Fiscal Officer reported that the roadmen went direct deposit on June 3, 2022. This will be a bi weekly pay schedule. The ARPA funds have been put into place to pay the roadmen's wages, Medicare and OPERS starting June 3, 2022. The Fiscal Officer presented an appropriation amendment to the General Fund of \$28,978 less than at the beginning of 2022 and Road & Bridge fund of \$17,153.43 less than at the beginning of 2022.

Res. 88-22 John moved to accept the presented appropriations, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Zoning Administer Rob Lapuh reported that Nassiefs Auto Group has been sold to Victor Automotive out of Michigan.

Pete reported on quotes given to do the electric between the Fire station and Townhall. Pete got a quote for a new floor grate for the Township Road Dept. building for \$ 2,529. Pete also got a price on a used brush hog because the current brush hog is broken.

Res. 89-22 Pete moved to go with Harmon Electric's bid using copper for \$2,953.55, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. After this is paid we will submit it to NOPEC as part of our energy grant.

John looked into the salt offer from Pinney Dock. After doing some research we won't go with that at \$38 a ton because of not enough sodium in it. John contacted Arms Trucking about salt but the sales rep won't be in until next week. John also looked into repairing the brush hog. At this point until we find out what is wrong and the cost, the Trustees will lend their brush hogs to the Road Dept for mowing. The boomer mower repair will be around \$1,800. The parts have been ordered. John reported he has had several complaints about the old General Store in town and Mr C's at the highway. John composed a letter that will be sent to the zoning commission to see what can be done to in regards to these two properties. John reported that the County Engineers Office looked at the ditch on Forman Road on Patty Booth property. It has been decided that the ditch will be cleaned out and not piped at this time. There is also an issue of possibly 3 ditches all going into this one ditch.

Res. 90-22 John moved to pay for the 12-yard dumpster from Penn Ohio for Austinburg Country Days, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

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Res. 91-22 John moved to indorse Austinburg Country Days and cover the liability insurance for the alcohol, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 92-22 John moved that the Township will supply 3 portable restrooms for Austinburg Country Days. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

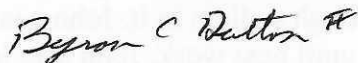
Byron discussed the request from the Austinburg United Church of Christ Community Picnic. Since it can't be done through the Township because of church and state. Instead the Trustees, the Fiscal Officer's family, Rob Lupuh Zoning administrator and resident Owen Stone will cover the cost of the Community Picnic. Byron reported that there were some trees down in the Township park and Gordon Brail will go clean up the Ash Trees. Byron reported the Ravinewood paving project has been completed and it looks good. The only issue would be that Koski went over on the paving so there may be an additional charge. The County Engineers office will look into seeing if there was a need to go over on the paving. Bryon was also contacted about Hogweed at the corner of Forman and Millcreek. The Road Dept. will take care of getting rid of the Hogweed. Byron read the letter he sent in regards to the opening of the Station Coffee Shop in town. Byron said he spoke with Richard Dana about the ditching issue on the field between Forman and Ravinewood. Richard claims there is a beaver ditch in there causing the issue. The Township can't do anything about the issue because it must be handled between the land owners.

Resident Owen Stone questioned the Pinney Dock fuel surcharge. Ted Seifert asked if we had heard back from the Land Bank in regards to the list sent concerning the homes that have become dilapidated.

Res. 93-22 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Byron Dutton, Board Chairman