

Austinburg Township Meeting  
July 18, 2022

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Brian O'Dell, Rob Lapuh, Sherry Bailey, Mike Kovacic, Lorna Masek, Bill Wilms, Mike Petro and Joe Hejduk Jr.

Res. 105-22 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 106-22 John moved to pay the bills, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$16,523.64 and receipts were \$0.

In terms of correspondence we received a postcard from the First United Church of Christ announcing their music in the park dates for the summer. We received an email that the What Knot Shop and the County Commissioners are planning on doing a Farmers Market and Stuff the Bus Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Andover Bank notified us that our "Agreement for Deposit of Public Money" was going to expire at the end of August.

Res. 107-22 John moved to keep the same wording for the Agreement for Deposit of Public Money between the Township and the Andover Bank for another 5 years, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The Fiscal Officer reported we will be having a Bureau of Workers Comp audit Aug. 29, 2022. There is no fee for that.

The Fiscal Officer reported that we received the levy calculation for the 2 mil Road and Bridge levy that will expire at the end of this year.

Res. 108-22 John moved to request the resolution of necessity requesting the certification of Estimated Property Tax Revenue from the County Auditor for the 2 mil Road and Bridge Levy which will be for a renewal, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The Fiscal Officer reported that it was time to renew out Special Assessments for 2023.

Res. 109-22 John moved to keep the Township special assessments in regards to our street lights, project numbers #21-026, #21-027, and #21-083 at the current rate, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The Fiscal Officer asked to have the budget for 2023 approved so it can be sent to the County Commissioners for review. The Fiscal Officer reported that in order to make the budget balance for the remainder of 2022 and going into 2023 then the American Relief Funds need to be moved from paying the Roadman's salaries, OPERS, and Medicare to paying the Trustess and Fiscal Officers' salaries, OPERS and Medicare.

Res. 110-22 John moved to accept moving the Trustees and Fiscal Officer salaries, OPERS and Medicare, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 111-22 John moved to accept the 2023 budget, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lapuh reported on the letter presented by the zoning board to the Trustees. Rob reported on issuing two violation notices that will be sent out to Mr. C's and 1771 State Rt 45. Rob will also check out the old COPE building on State Route 307 to see what is going on out there. It was reported that there seems to be a lot of activity going on at that location.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms reported on the need to purchase 3 sets of turnout gear at \$7,313.10 roughly plus boots from Fire-Fly Equipment. Bill reported there was some

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contamination on the fire boots from the RTS fire. Bill will look to see if RTS's insurance will help cover the cost of the boots.


Res. 112-22 John moved to have the Fire Chief purchase the turnout gear and equipment as need, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

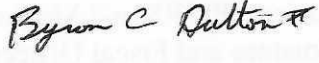
Road Sup. Mike Petro reported on getting the boom mower fixed and the mowing caught up. There was lots of discussion on starting work on Forman Road and the best way to handle things. Mike has already started to get prices on equipment and supplies. Mike reported that everything has gone up in price as well as delivery fees.

Pete reported on the final bill from Harmon Electric in regards to the Fire Dept and Townhall electrical updates. The total bill was \$4,573.55. Pete stopped and visited the lady on Dadeyville Road in regards to her drainage issue. John has been in contact with ODOT in regards to the pedestrian bridge on Route 307 because there is now a hole in the bridge. John also received a complaint about a blue 4-wheeler that has been tearing around the park in town. John asked Joe Hejduk Jr if he had the names of the people he spoke with from ODOT so John could follow up about the pipe issue. Byron reported that the OPWC paperwork for Round 36 has been signed and turned back in for the dirt work on Forman Road. Zoning will meet in Jefferson with the County Wed. July 20<sup>th</sup>. The Zoning public meeting will be Monday Aug. 1st at the Townhall. Bryon asked if we had heard back from the TIF letter we sent. John said yes the Commissioner's got it and they are working on a proposal back to the Township. Byron spoke with the engineer's office and notified them we will not be going for OPWC Round 37 which is the paving of Forman Road. We will revisit paving Forman Road in two years.

Resident Sherry Bailey again asked about the meeting in regards to the TIF. It was explained that it was just a regular public meeting and Kozlowski was asked to attend if possible to help explain the TIF. Lorna Masek asked if there could be some Children Playing signs on Lampson Road near the intersection of Lampson and Pelton Road. Mike Petro will order a couple and get them put up.

Res. 113-22 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

  
Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer

  
Byron Dutton, Board Chairman