

Austinburg Township Meeting
March 6, 2023

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Rob Lapuh, Ted Seifert, Bella Zobie, Emily Drees, Serenity Rivera, Sheri Drees, and Brian O'Dell.

Res. 45-23 Pete moved to accept the minutes as written, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar absent.

Res. 46-23 Pete moved to pay the bills; Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent. Bills paid were \$28,502.04 and receipts were \$21,239.43.

In terms of correspondence, we received a letter from Dearborn Life Ins Co that the life insurance policy for our road workers will not increase this year. We received the Harpersfield Township Newsletter. We received an email from the Ashtabula County Health Dept. The annual meeting of the Ashtabula County Combined Health District Advisory Council will be held on Thursday, March 23, 2023, and is scheduled to begin at 7:00 P.M. We received an email for Kanect Foundation in regards to recycling cans for the Make a Wish Foundation. We received an email asking if the Austinburg First United Church of Christ could put their music in the park days again in the newsletter. The event is open to the public. The dates for the concert are 7/20, 7/28, 8/3, 8/10 and 8/17.

Fiscal Officer reported that she will be attending the UAN conference in Columbus at the end of March. The Fiscal Officer also reported we are getting audit. The auditor will be notifying the Trustees by email and she is planning to start the end of March.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lapuh reported he stopped at Cunningham's property on Clay St again regarding the garbage issue but no one was home. The next step will be getting the County Health Dept involved.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms has been asked to get us an account for Gov Deals.

Byron reported the people on North Pelton Road are stilling wanting the city water. Byron has contacted another rep to look at the Township elevator. Pete will also contact Mike Morris about the elevator. NAD has a meeting Tuesday March 7. Bryon reported that Harpersfield Township has looked at possibly purchasing the old boom mower and tractor. The Fiscal Officer will put an inquiry in Matrix to see if we must put an AD in the paper if we are selling an item to another municipality.

Res. 47-23 Byron moved to hire Shara Parkomacki as the Zoning Board of Appeals recorder/secretary and she will be paid \$20 an hour, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.

Pete asked for a copy of the rental rates for the Townhall. Pete expressed the need to raise the rates for the Townhall due to utility costs raising and repairs that need done. Pete got a price to have the floor done in the Townhall from Milton Ring and the cost would be around \$883. Pete mentioned we need to look at the electricity between the Townhall and the Fire Dept because they may be on one meter now. Need to check with John to see where he is at with the cost of getting the Townhall painted. Pete also got prices for some trees that need to be taken down in the park, planting new trees and repairing/replacing the split rail fence. Brobst's cost to take down 8 trees, would be around \$10,000. The park tree removal would be \$6,200 for the six trees in the park and the two trees in Austin cemetery would be \$2,700 but both must be agreed upon for that price. The split rail fence cost with Thomas Fence would be around \$4,875. Pete will be the Trustee going to the Heath Dept annual meeting on Thursday. March 23.

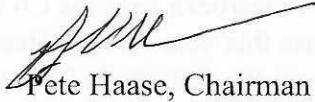
Residents had no comments.

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Res. 48-23 Pete moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, absent.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Pete Haase, Chairman