

Austinburg Township Meeting  
February 6, 2023

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Rob Lapuh, Brian O'Dell, Ted Seifert and David Thomas.

Res. 32-23 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar aye.

Res. 33-23 John moved to pay the bills, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$30,884.06 and receipts were \$14,175.59.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from the County Prosecuting Attorney in regards to proposed budget cuts to the Prosecutors Office. We received a letter from the County Recorder Office about this year's fees for filing zoning resolutions and amendments. We received a letter from NOPEC stating that we have received \$3,410 for 2023 the Energized Community grant. We received a letter from the Ohio Department of Commerce in regards to our cemeteries. We received an email from the Planning and Development committee for Ashtabula County in regards to possible demolition of vacant land. We received an email from the Ashtabula County Township Association that their meeting is February 16 at 7:00 pm at the County Engineers Office.

Fiscal Officer reported the End of the Year report has been submitted to the Ohio Checkbook online. A notice of our End of Year report has been sent to the Star Beacon. The Fiscal Officer asked that the Trustees do an Annual Appropriation Resolution for the End of the Year for 2022. The Fiscal Officer will be asking the County Auditor's Office for a new Amend Certification since the end of the year has been completed for 2022.

Res. 34-23 John moved to do a resolution for the year end paperwork, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.

Res. 35-23 John moved for the Fiscal Officer to go ahead and ask for an Amended Cert for 2023, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.

Res.36-23 John moved to apply for the Energized Community Grant , Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.

Res.37-23 John moved to apply for the Community Grant from NOPEC, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lapuh reported on a couple of permits that were issued. Still waiting on the paperwork in regards to the boat on top of Clay St Inn.

Fire Chief no report.

Road Supervisor no report.

John reported on the job posting for a Maintenance/Highway technician part time. John also went over the proposed legal notice for stone bids. It has been added in the notice that all winning contracts will be sent the County Prosecutor for review before signing and no fuel surcharges will be accepted. The stone bids will be opened on April 3rd at 7:00 pm. The elevator is still not working plus the wiring harness is dry rotted. John made some calls to get estimates on possibly having to replace the elevator.

Pete reported on talking to the Ashtabula County Engineer's office in regards to core samples on Forman Road and the mileage for this year has been signed for the Township. Pete also talked to the engineer's office about the culvert pipe at Lampson Road just West of Pelton Road. Once the weather breaks they will take a closer look at the culvert issue.

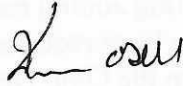
David Thomas Ashtabula County Auditor reported on the tax bills coming to residents shortly. David said our Township settlement will be about 3 weeks behind coming to us. This year the State of Ohio will look at sales of property in our County.

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Anyone needing more information or concerns on their tax bills should contact the County Auditors Office.

Residents had no comments.

Res. 38-23 Pete moved to adjourn the meeting 7:55pm, John seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Pete Haase, Board Chairman