

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held February 19,

2007

The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held February 19, 2007 was called to order at 7:30pm by Chair Lynn Frank with the pledge. Trustees Burke, and Spade were present. Audience present were Marcie and Dave Turk, Nick Dearing, Diane Mongenel, Bob Clark, Connie Coons, and Byron Dutton II. The Chair announced the meeting was being taped and she will not recognize residents to speak until the audience participation segment of the meeting.

Res. 637-07 Janie moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Frank, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 638-07 Janie moved to pay the bills as the lawful obligation to the township. Lynn seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Frank, aye. Spade, aye.

Receipts were \$12,442.45. Bills were \$26,131.85. Fund balances are \$715,064.07.

The fiscal officer asked if the board could possibly move the first meeting in April as she will be out of town the first week in April. It was agreed to move the April 2, 2007 meeting to April 9, 2007. Barb will put the appropriate notice in the newspaper.

The fiscal officer stated a meeting with the representative from the Ohio Deferred Compensation Plan has been scheduled for March 7, 2007 at 12:30 in the office of the town hall. He will bring brochures and meet with employees and officials to explain the plan particulars.

Barb presented the board with their packets as given her by Ted Seifert on the zoning issues recently looked at by the Zoning Commission. One is a request for a zoning change by Mr. and Mrs. Mike Farinacci and the other is a proposed change in zoning definition of lot width determination. The trustees will now review these issues and set a Public Hearing.

In correspondence we received a plan for a re-plat of land at Farin Industries, Coffee Creek Ind. Park, from the Ashtabula County Planning Commission. There is a letter accompanying the plans for comments from the Zoning Administrator and Trustees.

Dan Whitmire dropped off paperwork regarding the request for advance funds for Memorial Day services.

We received a quote on a micro-mover from RLP Co. in the amount of \$8,787.00.

Lynn stated the record will show the board has received the zoning packets from the Zoning Commission today and has 30 days to schedule a public hearing to address these matters.

Res. 639-07 Lynn moved to hold the trustees' public hearing on the zoning issues on Monday, March 12, 2007 at 7:00pm in the town hall. Both above mentioned issues will be addressed at this meeting. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Spade, aye. Frank, aye. Burke, aye.

John Beninato gave his zoning report at this time.

Jerry reported on the raising of Mill Creek Rd. that was previously discussed. The County Engineer gave an estimate of 800-1,000 tons of stone would be needed to raise the road. The engineer mentioned that funds may be available for this. Applications for grants will be taken in September, Jerry stated, and are taken by priority. Considered for example, are where the road goes to, such as a school or hospital. The engineer will advise on other grant possibilities.

Jerry said the engineer will also look at the area near Ted Wilms' property on Lampson Rd. Problems with the road and culvert there have been discussed.

The new truck is being worked on at Concord Equipment and may be finished with bed installation by the end of March.

Jerry said the meeting held by Morgan Twp was poorly attended and they may schedule another.

Jerry reported on a quote Faxed over by Tom Flanigan of Southeastern Equipment on a Case road grader. It is paid for at the end of a five year lease with no buy-out. The price is \$128,041.00. More discussion would be necessary on whether the township would be served best by a new or used road grader.

Jerry said the 99 International truck needed a new clutch put in.

Jerry will check with Ziegler Heating on the furnaces

Janie gave the current NAD report. Trumbull has now joined NAD.

Janie said she will take care of the paperwork on the funds for Memorial Day services left by Dan Whitmire. The papers originated from the County Commissioners' office so she will

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contact Lisa Hawkins, the Commissioners' secretary.

Lynn reported the board has one more applicant to interview for the zoning positions. They will interview on Monday, March 5, 2007 at 7:00pm., before the next meeting.

Lynn said she inquired about the time frame involved with competitive bidding. The \$25,000.00 threshold is per season or yearly. Since we are in a new year we can purchase another \$25,000.00 of the crushed concrete we have been buying. Last year Pete bought approximately \$15,000.00 of this material. Jerry stated this was what the County Engineer also told us.

Res. 640-07 Lynn moved to allow Pete to purchase crushed concrete from Delta Railroad as needed, up to \$25,000.00. Jerry said this material would work for raising Mill Creek Rd. Jerry seconded the motion. The roll; Spade, aye. Frank, aye. Burke, aye.

Lynn said the Water Advisory Board meets Wed. She reported the FEMA report for this quarter has been sent in.

Lynn has spoken to Mr. Kitchen, the part time employee hired by the board, and he will contact Barb for paperwork.

Res. 641-07 Lynn moved to put our notices out for stone and emulsion bids. The bids will be opened at 7:00pm on March 19, prior to the regular meeting. Janie seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Frank, aye. Barb will check with Pete on the necessary tonnage., and will place the bid notice.

Clean Up Day and rubbish collection bids will be discussed at the next meeting. Janie will check with the county for the date of their Clean Up Day.

Lynn addressed the issue of scrap equipment Pete would like to get rid of. Jerry will speak to Pete about this.

In audience participation, Bob Clark asked about the emulsion Austinburg had used, but was not happy with. Jerry told him this was left-over material from another project, and the weather was wet when it was applied. It was not the same liquid discussed at the Ashtabula County Twp. Association meeting by Windsor Twp.

Byron Dutton asked if a hump on Lampson Rd just above his driveway could be taken out when the township addresses the problem with the pipe near Ted Wilms' property. It creates a dangerous blind spot. He would also like to donate a catch basin to be installed north of that area for future paving.

Byron Dutton also asked what roads are planned for paving. Janie stated we are waiting for our material bid prices. Lynn added the county is not doing as much paving do to the asphalt prices and is looking at doing more pug mill applications. Byron asked if a cold mix could be applied in Ravinewood. Lynn stated it could. A sealer will be needed this year on Country View and Dadeyville Rds.

Res. 642-07 With no other business before the board, Lynn moved to adjourn. Janie seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

*Barbara Schaab*  
*Jym Frank*  
*Janie*  
*Gerald Burk*