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The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held March 3, 2008 was called to order at 7:30pm. Trustees Burke and Kusar were present. Audience present were Joe Hejduk, Winnie Cerbin, Eileen Kusar, Marcy Hejduk, Shelley Kelner, Molly Smith, Ginny Seifert, Nelson Hejduk, Joe Bocchi, and Byron Dutton II.

Res. 896-08 John moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 897-08 John moved to pay the bills as the lawful obligation to the township. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Receipts totaled \$15,664.99. Bills totaled \$24,888.01.

In correspondence we received paperwork from the Veteran's Coalition on reimbursement of Memorial Day service expenses.

A letter was received from the Attorney General's office regarding the Public Records Law.

A letter from the Austinburg Garden Club requesting outlets be installed on the outside of the town hall on each side of the front door. The club stated they will share in the cost if necessary.

A notice of franchise renewal was received from Time Warner Cable.

We received the fiscal year 2008 CDBG formula Program Application materials.

Res. 898-08 John moved to fill out the paperwork from the Veterans' Coalition for reimbursement of expenses. Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 899-08 Jerry moved to have an electrician install outdoor outlets on the town hall as requested by Austinburg Garden Club. John seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

John reported he had spoken with Sarah Masek and she will use some of the hours allocated to her each month to research the zoning text and type it onto computer.

Jerry stated the Commissioners would like to have their meeting here at the town hall on April 8, 2008 at 7:00pm.

Res. 900-08 Jerry moved to lower the weight limit on township roads from now until May 15, 2008. A notice will be put in the paper. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Jerry said Mrs. Cerjan would like to use the town hall for a memorial service on April 20. He said he thought it would be appropriate to waive the fee for the use of the hall.

Res. 901-08 John moved to waive the fee for the town hall rental. Jerry seconded. The roll call vote; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Jerry said he would like to set up a meeting between Austinburg, Harpersfield, Geneva Twp., regarding the proposed Waste Management expansion and zoning plans. John said maybe it could be on April 8 and include the Commissioners.

Jerry asked a letter be sent to Rich Pildner of Austinburg Machine acknowledging Mr. Pildner's donation of 25 -30 fire extinguishers to the township.

Jerry stated the new refrigerator and stove will be delivered tomorrow.

Jerry said he would like the trustees to set a meeting with the County Commissioners and the sewer committee to report on the Commissioners' progress. John said that Smolen's office has a man working on the comparison between the gravity system and vacuum system. The major concern is maintenance costs. He said it might be better to have the meeting after that information is available. Jerry said he will follow up on this. He spoke with 2 of the 3 commissioners and they stated they are willing to come here for a meeting. Jerry said after the figures are done, he will set it up.

In audience participation, Joe Bocchi asked if any FEMA relief may be available. He was hit hard by some recent flooding. Jerry said he doesn't know that there is anything the township could do. He asked Barb to get in touch with the gentleman from FEMA who worked with the township last time.

Mr. Bocchi also inquired about city water in his area. Jerry stated he thought it would be a long way off. John said Mr. Bocchi could contact Larry Meany of the Dept. of Environmental Services to find out about water.

Marcy Hejduk asked who had keys to the town hall office. Jerry stated the trustees, fiscal officer, zoning dept. and road dept.

Byron Dutton mentioned there is a detour route posted on Pelton Rd. due to the work being done on Sexton Rd. overpass. He stated the township should document the road condition in

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case it is damaged. Discussion was held on the detour. Jerry stated the township will take pictures and video. John added the work is an ODOT job.

Byron asked if the trustees knew who owned the trailer on the Clay St. property. John Beninato said it is for the Sexton Rd. and Rt. 46 bridge construction personnel.

Nelson Hejduk inquired about the culvert that runs under the road at Rt. 45 and Chestnut. He said he has had to clean it many times and wonders if the pipe has collapsed and who's responsibility it is to fix. Jerry said the catch basin is on Rt. 45 in the road right of way. Jerry will contact the state and ask someone to take a look at it.

Joe Bocchi asked if the township still maintains Mechanicsville Cemetery.

Winnie Cerbin asked when the township will clean the ditch by her property. Jerry said we will do it this year and would like to get a track hoe out here to do this work. Discussion was held on costs of renting this machine and contracting the work.

Res. 902-08 Jerry moved to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

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