

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Austinburg Township

Meeting

Held September 7,

2010

The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held September 7, 2010 was called to order at 7:30pm. Trustees Burke, Kusar, Spade, Byron Dutton II, Joe Hejduk, Bob Heinz, David, Bill Thomas, Winnie Cerbin, and Don Herman were present.

Res. 1398-10 Janie moved to approve the minutes from the Aug. 16, 2010 and Sept. 1, 2010 meetings as presented. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 1399-10 John moved to pay the bills of the township. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

Bills were \$103,446.81. Receipts were \$17,889.03.

Res. 1400-10 John moved to certify the street light special assessments. Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

A letter on the new septic laws, SB 110, was received and explained the changes. A copy is available in the files.

Barb received an e-mail from Janice Schweitzer advising the township to send a letter to CitiFinancial regarding the demolition of the house on Woodside Dr., previously discussed.

Res. 1401-10 Janie moved to send the letters to CitiFinancial of Ashtabula and the attorney that has been working with them. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Barb will send the letters certified, including a copy of the legal notice the township placed.

At this time, Mike Petro gave a road report. He stated there are two culverts in Countryview area he would like to replace this fall. The Creek Rd. trestle needs drainage work and to be lowered. The part time roadman has met the hours previously allowed by the board. Pete would like to still use him, about 50 hours, if needed.

Res. 1402-10 Janie moved the part time roadman be used at the discretion of the road supervisor, as needed. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye, but he would like Pete to use only the approximate 50 hours as needed. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

Pete will check on a mulching machine to do seeding and mulching of the berms on the Forman Rd. project. Jerry gave some hay prices for the mulching work.

Res. 1403-10 Jerry moved to acquire the hay from Chris Bradek, \$2.00 per bale delivered to the job site. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

Janie asked Pete the cost of CRS2 with stone. Pete answered about \$12,304.00 per mile. She asked how many miles of paved roads we have. Pete stated about 9 miles. Pete added it is getting late in the year for CRS2, as it needs about a week to set in. We are into borderline weather now.

Bob Heinz of Allen Rd. spoke about his road. He said it would save the township money in the long run to do chip and seal now so as not to lose the road. Pete stated he would like to do as much chip and seal as we can, Allen Rd. was chip and sealed in 2008. Mr. Heinz stated Forman Rd. was chip and sealed in its entirety. Pete said that was because it is a thru road. Mr. Heinz stated he did not believe this is a money issue and thinks the township has the money to do Allen Rd.

John said that upon review of the sewer plans, about 400ft. of Betts Dr. and all of Chestnut will not be paved. Both have damage due to the heavy traffic abuse during sewer work. John asked Larry Meaney who the paving contractor is, and believes the township should look into having them pave this remaining 800 ft. while the equipment is there. It will be much more cost effective. Pete agreed that now would be the time to get them paved while the contractor is on site. John said this is merely a change order to the original contract. He said after we get the paving prices quoted the county, the board can discuss this next meeting. Janie said she would like to see costs for the Forman Rd. project the township has paid so far.

Bob Heinz questioned whether the trustees are going to chip and seal Allen Rd. John again stated his concerns on overages from Forman Rd. He said we have this chance of paving Betts and Chestnut also. Jerry agreed the bills for Forman Rd. are a concern, and stated he believes Allen Rd. is in good shape now. There was discussion about a drainage issue near Cerjan's property on Allen. Pete said there are some spots on Allen that he does not think the chip and seal will adhere to. He said that as good as chip and seal is on the roads, nothing will take the place of good drainage and base. John stated he does not think the township will chip and seal Allen Rd. this year. Jerry agreed with John but wants to look further at the figures for Forman Rd.

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John Beninato gave his zoning report. Discussion was held on permit fees for accessory structures under 200 sq. ft. John K. said our permit fees should follow the county, and John B. agreed. It was decided fees will be looked at for next year when the entire fee structure is reviewed.

John K. stated Tom Parks spoke with him about water problems in the area of Mrs. Montgomery's home. Her driveway culvert was placed in the 50's. The trustees at that time allowed a 6" crock tile to be used there. Now it is backing up. John said the township would need to go to the catch basin at the stop sign and put in a 12" line.

Res. 1404-10 John moved the township replace Mrs. Montgomery's culvert pipe and put in a catch basin. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Kusar, aye. Burke, aye.

John asked Janie if she had ever received monument costs from the monument company. Janie said the board said they wanted him to come to a meeting for questions. John said we need ballpark costs of taking the tablets down before it can be ok'd. We have money donated toward the \$1,500.00 cost of restoring the tablets, but need the additional costs to get started.

John said the board needs to set a date for their public hearing on changes suggested by the Zoning Commission. Jerry inquired about further changes to the zoning text. Joe Hejduk raised the question of the commission making additional changes after the public hearing they held. John stated they can do that because they stated at the hearing, they would take public input back and discuss the issues further at their regular zoning meeting, which is open to the public.

Res. 1405-10 John moved the trustees hold a public hearing on Monday, Sept. 20, 2010 at 7:00pm, to address changes to the text and a map amendment as suggested by the Zoning Commission. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Janie gave the NAD report from their last meeting. There were 24 calls for Austinburg with an average response time of 8.7 minutes. Janie said the open house for NAD was a success.

Janie asked about the plans for the town hall project so we can get started with the NOPEC grant. John said Smolen is finalizing the plans and he should have them for next meeting. John said he will let Cindy Hejduk know not to schedule anything for the hall in Jan. and Feb.

Jerry said he thinks if the road garage lights are shut off when not in use, electric costs would be saved.

Jerry said Mrs. Truckey, whose husband recently drowned, has requested permission to erect a decorative 5' to 6' windmill on his grave site. Our cemetery rules do not permit this. John stated he believes maintenance of the windmill will become an issue. He said they need greased regularly and it will deteriorate in time. Janie said she would like time to research these further before making a decision. Jerry said it will hold until next meeting.

Byron Dutton informed the trustees he had spoken with ODOT crews and viewed the plans for work being done on Rt. 45 near I 90. Plans do not call for a turn lane on Rt. 45 at Clay. Only Clay St. has a third lane planned. Jerry said he will get hold of Tim Martin tomorrow and check on the plans.

Byron asked if there will be light changers installed where new traffic lights will be put in. Janie answered yes, NAD has been planning these, and will be taking care of the cost.

Res. 1406-10 Jerry moved to adjourn the meeting. Janie seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Jerry Burke
Board Chairman
Barbara Schaub