Held February 22,

2011

The regular meeting of Austinburg Township held February 22, 2011 was called to order at 7:30pm with the pledge. Trustees Kusar, Burke, Spade, Winnie Cerbin, Olivia Hanneman, Ginny Seifert, Byron Dutton, Mike Petro, and John Beninato were present.

Res. 40-11 Janie moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 41-11 Jerry moved to pay the bills of the township. Janie seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

Receipts were \$37,565.83. Bills were \$19,955.43.

In correspondence the fiscal officer received via e-mail some NOPEC grant progress forms. She passed them to Janie, NOPEC grant contact person.

The County Auditor sent the Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources in the amount of \$1,799,856.00.

Dale March sent a letter stating he will hold the township harmless during his maple syrup tapping.

Mike Petro gave his road report. He stated he would like to order more ice grits. Simak told him he will hold the price at \$10.95 per ton.

Res. 42-11 John moved to purchase 300 tons of ice grits from Simak at the price of \$10.95 per ton. Jerry seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Pete said stone bids will be due out soon. He said he could use more 411 stone now though.

Res. 43-11 John moved to purchase 300 tons of #411 stone. Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Kusar, aye. Spade, aye.

Pete reported on screened grindings. Everett Henry of Harpersfield has gotten some from Buckey Construction of Madison. Pete will view the product before ordering any.

The clutch went bad in the grader. John recommended getting it fixed either to continue using it or to trade or sell. Pete stated we need to start thinking about replacing some of our old equipment. Janie mentioned the shared purchase of equipment. Pete said sharing a grader in winter could be a problem. Janie said she will talk to other trustees and Pete will speak to Everett. Jerry said he would like Jarred Larson to look at the grader to see if an adjustment can be made to the clutch.

Jerry said the ditch on Pelton Rd. has been backing up. The driveway culvert near Beach's place is too small. John suggested increasing to a 18" culvert if there is enough cover. Jerry will get in touch with Beachs regarding the culvert.

John stated the pre-bid meeting is tomorrow at 2:30 with Smolen. Pete will be in attendance.

Janie reported the NAD meeting is March 2, 2011 at 7:00 at the NAD building. Janie said the county will have their clean up day on April 30.

Res. 44-11 Janie moved to have the Austinburg clean up day on April 30 from 8:00am till noon. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

John stated the bid opening date for the town hall bids is incorrect. He will have Smolen Engineering send out an addendum correcting it, making it March 7, 2011.

Res. 45-11 Janie moved to put out bid notices for clean up day, rubbish collection, and mowing, to be received by and opened March 21, 2011 at 7:00pm. John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Spade, aye. Kusar, aye.

Pete and the board reviewed the bid notices for the stone bids. Some minor quantity changes were made.

Res. 46-11 Janie moved to advertise for stone and emulsions as presented to the fiscal officer. Bids to be opened on March 21, 2011 at 7:00pm. Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Spade, aye. Burke, aye.

Discussion on the purchase of a new truck was held. Janie mentioned the possibility of ordering the chassis in 2011, and then equip it in 2012, splitting the cost between those budgets. Jerry said he has reservations about the purchase of a new truck because of the emission equipment now required. Pete agreed with the emissions problems, saying with a good used truck, we could get 5-10 years out of it. He doesn't want to spit the purchase though, component costs will just rise. John stated he would rather go with a new truck now, emission equipment problems could get worse.

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Meeting

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Jerry addressed the portion of the EMA agreement discussed last meeting that dealt with the "Code Red" services.

Res. 47-11 Jerry moved to sign the EMA agreement for the Code Red service agreement at 16 cents per minute, pre-purchased, for non emergency usage. John seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Burke, aye. Spade, aye.

Jerry stated he had been contacted about a mail box on Silver Fox, supposedly hit by the plow. Jerry stopped with Pete and looked at it. Jerry left a message for the resident, stating he does not think the plow hit it, it was maybe the snow.

Jerry suggested the township look into changing the form of heat at the township garage. John Beninato gave his zoning report at this time.

John K. asked for newsletter articles by next meeting. He would like to get the newsletter out before clean up day to notify residents.

John said the paper reported tie in fees for the sewer project are now \$4,300.00. John contacted Larry Meaney. Larry stated he does not know where the extra \$300.00 is coming from. He will get back to him.

John also told Larry we have some issues with Betts and Chestnut. There are bumps in the road where the laterals have been installed.

In audience, Winnie Cerbin inquired about the traffic lights hanging at Clay and Rt. 45. They will be operational when weather allows for the sensor to be installed.

Olivia Hanneman requested the township apply for the permit for the beer tent at Country Days this year.

Res. 48-11 Jerry moved the township will sponsor Country Days as well as apply for the permit for the beer area again this year. John seconded. The roll; Spade, aye. Burke, aye. Kusar, aye.

Janie stated that she is on the Country Days board. She cannot make the request, but would like her colleagues to discuss the possibility of making a financial contribution to Country Days. Discussion was held on donating money to the festival. The fiscal officer stated she is not sure this is appropriate, and would recommend a legal opinion from the County Prosecutor.

Res. 49-11 Jerry moved to adjourn the meeting with no other business to come before the board. Janie seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Barbara Schash