

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Austinburg Township

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held _____ December 27, _____ 20____ 17

The year end meeting of Austinburg Township opened at 7:00pm. Ted Seifert, Mike Petro, Bill Wilms, Ted Wilms, Scott Wilms, and Wesley Wilms were in attendance.

Ted Seifert, Secretary of the Fire Dependency Board, called the 2017 Fire Dependency Board Meeting to order. Bill shared that he is waiting on the state for word back on open issues. Dave Lemponen however was not in the line of duty for his accident this past Spring and thus is not considered before the Dependency Board. Ted closed the meeting upon no further business.

Bill shared he would like a fire inspector position to be filled for this upcoming year. He has several individuals certified and would suggest a stipend for the duty. John Kusar asked Byron to take the lead on creating work rules and a job description with Bill. Byron will work with Bill on this to be done by February.

Ted Wilms spoke on the idea that has been mentioned of renovating the back building of the Fire Station. He shared that for the cost, a new building could be constructed and it would not be worth the money to renovate. An idea Ted shared would be to add an extra bay on the driveway between the Townhall and the Fire Department. The Board will take this suggestion into consideration but is concerned with cost of that project.

Bill will finish the specs for bid on the new Fire Truck soon.

The generator is nearly complete for the Fire Hall as a gas line and electrical work still needs to be complete.

John Beninato shared his zoning report. House construction and permits are down causing less revenue. Jerry asked about openings on the zoning board and zoning appeals board, there are currently two alternate zoning board of commission seats open. There was a discussion regarding abandoned houses and opportunities for demolition.

Mike shared his list for 2018 of items to purchase. The Sidley Court road was discussed as a potential future project, the Board will share their concerns with the County Engineer regarding the roadway. John gave his desire to plant more trees while also taking down trees with damage in the Township Park. The Board asked for the future that any cut trees have their stumps ground and will act on tree planting when the warmer weather starts this Spring.

The Board shared that a generator for small equipment should be priced out for this upcoming year as well. John discussed the 550 truck and possibilities for future trucks to replace the equipment based on what Jefferson and other municipalities do for used trucks.

Ted Seifert asked about Flag holders for the poles and if the Road Department can make some over the winter. Mike will find what has already been made for lighted poles.

John discussed the OPWC Grant Phase 2 for paving of Forman Road from Rt. 307 to Lampson Road. That project will cost roughly \$250,000 with a half local funds match. He shared the possibility of not chip-n-sealing for 2018 and spending that money on paving and other road projects. Mike asked about the potential for Dadeyville work or other options. John asked for more information on other options such as grindings.

The Fiscal Officer brought up the issue of the Austin Cemetery retaining wall which will be completed next year. The Board will have this project on their plan for the summer of 2018.

The Fiscal Officer presented new estimates of the 2018 Temporary Appropriations for the Township in the amount of \$1,178,250.92. This amount does not include the \$500,000 for the Fire Truck Bond Issue as it has not yet been certified by the County. Res. 490-17 John moved to approved the Temporary Appropriations for 2018 at \$1,178,250.92, Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Dutton, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 491-17 John moved to pass a resolution providing for the issuance and sale of bonds for the Fire Truck. Byron second, The roll; Kusar, aye. Dutton, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 492-17 John moved to accept min, Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Dutton, aye. Burke, aye.

Res. 493-17 John moved to pay the bills, Byron seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Dutton, aye. Burke, aye.

Bills were \$12,584.07 and Receipts were \$10,352.98.

Mike asked about 4 weeks vacation for employees who have been with the Township for 15 years and over. Res. 494-17 John moved to amend the vacation policy starting January 1, 2018 that any employee who has 15 years of service or more will get 4 weeks paid vacation

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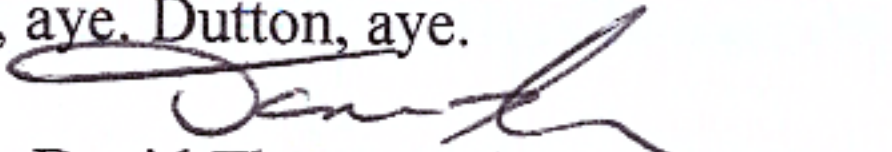
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per year from start date of employment, Byron seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Dutton, aye. Burke, aye.

Mike also discussed his concerns with John Luban's work performance. The Board asked Mike to document his observations.

The Board will discuss wages and have their organizational meeting on Tuesday, January 2nd at 7:30pm.

Res. 494-17 Byron moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Kusar, aye. Dutton, aye.


David Thomas, Fiscal Officer


John Kusar, Board Chairman