

**Austinburg Township**  
**August 19, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. Residents in attendance included Mike Kovacic, Ginny Seifert, Lorna Masek, Joe Hedjuk Jr., Brian O'Dell, Shara Parkomaki, Phil Miller, Dave Baily, John Beninato and Mike Petro

Res. 100-19 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 101-19 John moved to pay the bills, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Bills paid were \$12,037.29 and Receipts were \$8,923.33.

In terms of correspondence we received a call from Don Costello about putting in a culvert in Ravinewood. We also received a call from Allen Shebal on Mechanicsville Rd about having a drained cleaned out because his basement drain wasn't working. We received an email from Geneva High School wondering if any of our elected officials wanted to put an ad in their fall sports program. We received a notice that the Ashtabula County Board of Elections were looking to recruit people to work on Election Day. We received notice that Dave Ratliff has officially retired from Centerra Co-op. Jeff Czarnecki is our new rep. We received a letter from the Ashtabula County Covered Bridge Festival asking if we would donate \$70.00 to cover the portable restroom at the Mechanicsville Covered Bridge for the weekend Spoke with David Thomas about the online checkbook; it is only updated at the end of the year for the previous year.

Res. 102-19 John moved to cover the cost of the portable restrooms at the Mechanicsville Covered Bridge for \$70 for the Covered Bridge Festival, seconded by Jerry. The Roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 103-19 John moved to keep the Township special assessments in regards to our street lights, project numbers #21-026, #21-027, and #21-083, seconded by Bryon. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 104-19 John moved to authorize moving \$200.00 into account 3101-110 to cover the cost of tax collection fees, because not enough money was appropriated for this expense at the beginning of the year, seconded by Bryon. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

John Beninato zoning administrator turned in his report. There were 2 new permits issued. John B. reported they were working on cleaning up the two buildings in the center of town.

Jerry reported on the work on Forman road. After some discussion John will check with the prosecutor to see at what price we have to bid out a job. Jerry also reported Schaab and Gildersleeve would like dirt if we have any left from the ditching on Forman.

Byron reported that the drawings for the Cole's assessment aren't complete yet. Talked to Tom at the engineer's; office plans aren't complete yet in regards to the gas tank at the Township garage. Mike Petro and Bill Wilms were thanked for the nice job they did by the Johnson family.

John suggested we get with Justin from the engineer's office in regards to where the stone is supposed to go and how much for the Forman Road project. John got an

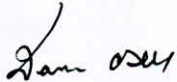
email and a phone call that the pedestrian bridge will be fixed before school starts. Still working on getting the ad in the Township Newsletter in regards to selling the tanker fire truck. Resident Dan Tis 1739 Maple Road stopped in before the Township meeting in regards to his fence possibly being hit by the tree trimmer who was removing trees in the park. John will look into it.

Resident Dave Bailey expressed concern with the issue of possibly the trucks being overweight for the roads they were driving on. The trustees will talk with Adams. John Beninato reported for resident Wanda that she emailed photos to him of people crossing Route 45 by the Interstate.

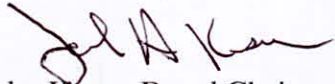
**Res. 105-19** John moved to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters at 7:58 pm and announced no decision will be made until following the session, seconded by Jerry. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The Trustees came out of executive session at 8:18 pm and no action was taken after the session.

**Res. 106-19** John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm, seconded by Jerry. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusar, Board Chairman