## Austinburg Township November 18, 2019

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:32 pm. Residents in attendance included Mike Kovacic, Andy Tetlow, Ginny Seifert, Scott Marous, John Beninato, and Phil Miller.

Res. 138-19 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 139-19 John moved to pay the bills, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Bills paid were \$8,377.92 and Receipts were \$150.00.

In terms of correspondence the Ashtabula Township Meeting will be Nov. 21 at 7:00pm at the Cherry Valley Town hall. There is new coverage being offered from OTARMA in regards to the Bonds/Faithful Performance Coverage. The Fiscal Officer, Bill Wilms and John Kusar's bonds will all expire 2020. We received a letter from Nicholas Iarocci office in regards to the Township paying for water hydrants installed on a water line per the Ohio Revised Code 505.37A that it is acceptable.

Res. 140-19 John moved to move our bonds over to OTARMA's Bonds/Faithful Performance Coverage, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye, Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 141-19 Byron made a motion to pay for 3 fire hydrants for the Marous project on Clay St., John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Fiscal Officer was asked to look up the stipends paid last year 2018. Winter Clothing and Equipment to the roadmen was \$300.00 each. The yearend stipend for the roadmen Mike \$500, Bill \$450 and John Luban \$400. Cell phone stipend for Bill \$600 which was to cover the use for Township business.

John Beninato, Zoning Inspector had nothing to report except for a complaint in regards to a shipping container. There was much discussion about shipping containers and that zoning will have to do some serious looking about what to do about them.

Jerry reported on an issue he saw with a contractor working on the Cole's assessment. The worker was not using a trench box while working. Jan Miller the owner of the horse farm on Forman Rd. would like to have piping put in instead of having the ditching moved. Jerry will inform her to go purchase the pipe for the ditch and our road men will put it in. Jerry will have Mike get with Jan Miller. Byron reported on NAD and that calls will be a record this year of probably over 3,000. Byron reported that the homeowner Sandy Cash next to Cole's asked if it would be ok if she removed the trees that are on the border of their properties. Sandy Cash was told yes because it is a private matter between her and the Coles'. The old fire truck 503 will be sold through the Township Magazine. This will enable us to cover our legal requirement to sale the fire truck. John reported that John Luban will be returning to work Nov. 20. John spoke with Rebecca from Occupational Health in regards to someone coming off FMLA which is called a Certification: Fitness for Duty.

Res. 142-19 John moved to enact the Certification: Fitness for Duty to be added to our work rules in case we have anyone who goes off in the future for FMLA, seconded by Jerry. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

John also passed out the work rules that the County Engineer uses so the Trustees could use them as guidelines to help improve our work rules we currently have. This is

because per the Prosecutor says our current work rules are too vague. John asked if the Fiscal Officer could look into if we owe John Luban any reimbursement from him paying his insurance while off on FMLA.

Res. 143-19 John moved to pay Bill Wilms \$600.00 stipend towards Bill's personal cell phone which he also uses for Township business, Jerry seconded. The roll;

Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 144-19 John moved to pay Bill Wilms \$450 for yearend stipend, Bryon seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 145-19 John moved to pay Mike Petro \$500 for yearend stipend, Byron

seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 146-19 John moved to pay John Luban \$200 for yearend stipend because John Luban only worked ½ of this year, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. All stipends are to be paid to employees on the next meeting Dec. 2.

Res 147-19 John moved to give all three roadman the clothing and boots allowance up to \$350 once the receipts have been turned into the Fiscal Officer. They have to turned in by the end of year, seconded Bryon. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Residents had nothing to discuss.

Jerry asked the Fiscal Officer to look into expenses we have accrued so far for

the Forman Rd project.

Res. 148-19 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:05pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer

John Kusar, Board Chairman