

Austinburg Township

September 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. Residents in attendance included Joe Hejduk Jr., Rob Lapuh, Wyatt Bratt and John Beninato.

Res. 102-20 Jerry moved to accept the minutes as written, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 103-20 John moved to pay the bills, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Bills paid were \$168,025.77 and Receipts were \$59,423.84.

We received an email from NOPEC that we have been approved for reimbursement for the work that was done on the Townhall door for \$1,475. We received an email that there is going to be a farmers market between the Four Corners and the What Knot Shop on Sept. 12 from 10am-4pm. They were wondering if they could use the Townhall parking lot. The Ashtabula Health Dept. sent an email reporting as of 9/1/20 that there has been 615 confirmed cases and 46 deaths in Ashtabula County from the COVID 19 virus.

The Fiscal Officer received notice of the Official Certification of Estimated Resources from the Budget Commission authorizing estimated resources of \$1,488,102.45 for 2021. Res. 104-20 John moved to certify the Certification of Estimated Resources for 2021, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. The Fiscal Officer reported the need for a change of order in regards to Koski Construction for the paving project on Dadeyville Road. Res. 105-20 John moved to go with the change of order for Koski Construction concerning the final bill of \$151,390.33, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

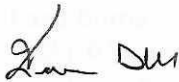
Zoning Administrator John Beninato turned in his report. John reported that the zoning commission is meeting Sept. 9. The Growth Partnership will be attending the meeting. They are looking for a map change. John K. expressed concern with changing the map. Before we have the work done to change the map the Trustees would like to have a letter of intent from the company. There were questions as to what the land is being cleared for off Sidley Court.

Jerry reported on his findings in regards to putting safety railings up on the bleachers in the park. Jerry had prices for just the railings and prices for new bleachers. Jerry will get pictures and spec sheets for next meeting. Byron reported he will get with County Prosecutor in regards to the cable franchise tax. Byron said Mike is working on getting the in-kind service hours and equipment together for the Forman Road project. Byron said the road guys have started to disassemble the old fire truck. The old fire truck will be turned into a dump truck with a snow plow. Byron reported that Sidley is doing work to prep for a building. Byron reported he has 3 resumes and John had 4 for the Zoning Administrators job. The resumes will be discussed in executive session. John reported he will be calling 3 different vendors about getting prices for a new furnace in the fire station. The new furnace will be paid for with the help of the NOPEC grant. John got prices on the mulch for the playground. John will contact the insurance lady to verify what we need exactly in regards to mulch. Arms trucking sent in a quote in regards to salt

at \$77.25 a ton delivered to the Township garage which is actually cheaper than last year. Res. 106-20 Jerry made a motion to order up to 4 truckloads of salt from Arms Trucking, John seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Resident Joe Hejduk Jr. was questioning the business coming in off Sidley Court. He wanted to know if the Township going to repair the road or have them use the railroad road. The County Engineer instructed the Trustees not to repair the road at this time. Wyatt Bratt updated the Trustees on the work being done on the old Auto World structure. Wyatt Bratt was inquiring about doing a variance.

Res. 107-20 John moved to go into executive session at 8:02 pm to discuss personnel issues, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Res.108-20 John moved to come out of executive session at 8:10, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. No more business was discussed. Res. 109-20 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm, Jerry seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusar, Board Chairman