Austinburg Township

November 16, 2020

The special meeting was opened at 7:00 pm by Trustee John Kusar. Residents in attendance were Joe Hejduk Jr. and Brian O'Dell. The special meeting was in regards to Case #2020-014-Austinburg Township Map Amendment. The proposed rezoning change is for Parcel Number 07-003-00-031-00 a 51.44 acre parcel owed by Nelson Sand and Gravel. It will change the property from Accommodation Commercial to Industrial Office Park. This move was to try and get a new food warehouse distribution center. We are one of three municipalities trying to get this business. John moved to close the special meeting at 7:06 pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. Residents in attendance included Joe Hejduk Jr., Brian O'Dell, Sara Frank, Rob Lupah, Phil Haase, Bill Wilms and Mike Petro.

Res. 137-20 Jerry moved to accept the minutes as written, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 138-20 John moved to pay the bills, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Bills paid were \$15,526.83 and Receipts were \$4,575.78.

We received notice that Rosebella Winery filed for a liquor license. We received notice for our annual premium from the Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp. If we pay the premium in full by Dec 21 there is a 2% discount. We received the 2021-2022 Ashtabula County EMA agreement to be filled out and we the bill will come in Dec. The Cemetery Sexton Bill Wilms reported on the damage done at Center Cemetery from high winds on Nov 15. The Ashtabula Health Dept. sent an email reporting as of 11/11/20 that there have 969 confirmed cases and 48 deaths in Ashtabula County from the COVID 19 virus. We received a letter from the residents of River Glen Dr, East Riverview Dr, West Riverview Dr, and Doril Dr. in regards to one family's household driver who drives much faster than the marked speed limit. They also tailgate and pass cars on the roads in the area. Mike Petro Road Sup. reported there are new signs on the roads in question. Mike Petro will check to make sure the road signs are still up

Rob Lupah Zoning Administrator had nothing to report.

Bill Wilms Fire Chief had nothing to report. He did ask if the Township had applied for COVID funds. Trustee John Kusar reported we didn't apply for the funds.

Mike Petro Road Sup. reported that the old 503 fire truck has been taken apart. Mike is looking at getting the frame sand blasted plus prices of box, plow etc. to put on the truck. Byron will look into the possibility of selling the box and tank of the old 503. The bridge signs on Forman Rd going into Saybrook Township have been checked and we are in compliance so no signs are need. Mike is looking into a new salt V-box spreader for the truck. The cost is roughly coming in around \$16,102 currently. Mike is also pricing new jack stands and shoes.

Jerry reported that we do have the paperwork from the OPWC grant for \$135,000 to go ahead with the paving on Forman Road. The bidding for this job will hopefully be done after the first of the year. This will pave from Allen Rd to Creek Rd. Byron reported

on the NAD meeting. Res. 139-20 Byron moved to approve the map change as listed above from the special meeting, Jerry seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bryon also reported on several trees down throughout the Township from the storm. John reported on the information from the Prosecutor on handling the donation of the old bleachers. We are allowed to donate the bleachers to a non-profit organization possibly to the Little League or Grand River Academy. Cindy Hejduk will be purchasing a new artificial Christmas tree for the Townhall. John will be getting in touch with our insurance company in regards to the damage done at Center Cemetery. Several grave stones have been broken and turned up. We need to contact Brobst to get an estimate on tree removal from the down trees in Center Cemetery.

Res. 140-20 John moved to give all three roadmen the clothing and boots allowance up to \$350 once the receipts have been turned into the Fiscal Officer. They have to turn it in by the end of year, Jerry seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 141-19 John moved to pay Mike Petro \$600, Bill Wilms \$550, John Luban \$500 for yearend stipend, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. All stipends are to be paid to employees on the next meeting Dec. 7.

Res. 142-20 John moved to pay Bill Wilms \$600.00 stipend towards Bill's personal cell phone which he also uses for Township business, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 143-20 John moved to pay Mike Petro \$600.00 stipend towards Mike's new cell phone which he will be using for Township business, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Sarah Frank, Zoning Secretary asked about when to file the map change request. Trustee John Kusar said she would have to wait 30 days from today to file it. Fiscal Officer asked Sarah Frank and Bill Wilms to please get in pay roll for the Zoning Board and Fireman by the first of December so everyone can be paid.

Residents had no discussion.

Res.144-20 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm, Byron seconded. The roll call; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer

John Kusar, Board Chairman