

Austinburg Township
December 28, 2020

The Special Year End meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:34 pm. Residents in attendance included Mike Petro, Wesley Wilms, Rob Lupah, Ted Seifert and Phil Haase.

Res. 156-20 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 157-20 John moved to pay the bills, Byron seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Bills paid were \$16,623.17 and Receipts were \$29,906.01.

Fire Dependency Board was called to order by Secretary Ted Seifert.

In terms of correspondence a new B&B called today to set up their bed tax. They are located on West Riverview. We received a ballot from OTRMA that is to fill two spots on the OTRMA Board of Directors. A letter was received from the Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp announcing that workers comp medical benefits have merged into one company called Comp Management Health Systems. The Ashtabula Health Dept. sent an email reporting as of 12/29/20 that there have been 4,257 confirmed cases and 88 deaths in Ashtabula County from the COVID 19 virus.

The Fiscal Officer presented temporary appropriations to the Board of Trustees in the amount of \$1,141,524. Res. 158-20 John moved to accept the temporary appropriations for 2021, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Fire Dependency Board was called to order by Secretary Ted Seifert at 7:42 pm. Present for the meeting was Wesley Wilms and Rob Lupah. Discussion was on if Dave Lemponen death settlement had been settled. The Fire Chief Bill Wilms informed the Trustees he believed it was settled. Motion to adjourn by Trustee John Kusar and seconded by Rob Lupah at 7:48 pm.

Jerry reported on fixing a mailbox on Forman Road. Byron also had an issue with a mailbox. John reported we are sending a letter to PMAT "Hampton Inn" about possibly purchasing some land on GH Drive that they own. This needs done in order to put in a cul-de-sac on GH Drive. John reported on the ODNR grant after looking into the grant. It will require us looking into getting plans drawn up and paperwork which is going to be quite intense. John is going to look into possibly getting a new mowing and vegetation spray company for 2021.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms was not present at the meeting Wesley Wilms was the representative for the Fire Dept. New windows will be going on the Fire Station in 2021.

Road Sup Mike Petro reported on things that need to be worked on in 2021. Mike had 2 quotes for a Vee Box Ice Control Spreader. Res. 159-20 John moved to go with Concord Road Equipment for \$16,102.70, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. The boom mower and tractor will be taken into Bortnicks for maintenance this winter. There was discussion on looking on getting an off-set mower to help mow the ditches which also may require getting a larger tractor to use it.

Zoning Inspector Rob Lupah said things were going well. He has issued several permits in the last few months since taking office.

Resident Ted Seifert asked about Center Cemetery repairs to the head stones. Cemetery Sexton Bill Wilms is waiting on quotes for repairs to the head stones. John reported that the work won't be started until spring because of how wet the ground is.

Res.160-20 Byron moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusar, Board Chairman