

Austinburg Township Meeting
December 20, 2021

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Pete Haase, Rob Lupah, Ted Seifert, Brian O'Dell, Deb Platt, Mike Kovacic and Owen Stone.

Res. 163-21 Jerry moved to accept the minutes as written, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusal aye.

Res. 164-21 Jerry moved to pay the bills, John seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusal, aye. Bills paid were \$14,240.66 and receipts were \$94,861.64.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from NOPEC in regards to the Community Event Sponsorship grant that needs filled out by Feb. 15. We received the updated list of Faithful Performance of Duty Coverage from OTRMA. State Road Occupational sent us their DOT Consortium Letter of Agreement if we choose to stay with them. We received the paperwork to fill out if we want to use the Austinburg Truck Center for work/supplies. We received an email from Government Sales Development in regards to the SMART City grant if we are interested. This grant has to do with adding technology services to our Township vehicles.

The Fiscal Officer asked to have a motion to get the banking changed over at the beginning of the New Year to add incoming and outgoing officers. The Fiscal Officer reported she has requested an Amended Certificate due to the OPWC grant money which was \$67,500 and the NOPE grant money was \$4,825. Both amounts of money will go back into the road and bridge fund.

Res. 165-21 John moved to go with State Road Occupational for the DOT physicals, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusal aye.

Res. 166-21 John moved to fill out the credit application for the Austinburg Truck Center, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusal aye.

Res. 167-21 John moved to change the Trustees to John Kusal, Byron Dutton and Pete Haase effective Jan. 1 2022 on the Andover Bank accounts, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusal aye.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lupah turned in the year end review for 2021. The new hotel should be opening by January 1, 2021.

Fire Dept no report.

Road Department no report.

Jerry asked if all the grits and salt for the road department have been delivered. John reported that everything has been delivered and is ready to go when needed.

John reported about the ongoing ditch/piping permit issue. The issue on Pheasant run where the home owner has crushed the pipe will end up being a Township issue to fix because the Township doesn't have a permit in place yet. John is looking into what to do with the American Relief Fund. There is a possibility the Township may be able to use the money to help put in the new underground piping on Forman Road on the next phase. John has been pricing boom mowers.

Resident Deb Platt asked about getting city water run down Chapel Road. Trustee John Kusal said if water lines did get put in, then our Township would pay to put in the fire hydrants if the water line runs through our part of Chapel Road. Mike Kovacic asked about checking with the Land Bank about cleaning up abandon homes. Owen Stone asked who currently does the work on our Township trucks. Owen suggested possibly checking out Truckmen repair for service.

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Res. 168-21 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm, Jerry seconded. The roll; Burke, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



John Kusar, Board Chairman