

Austinburg Township Meeting  
January 3, 2022

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Rob Lupah, Ted Seifert, Ginny Seifert, Bill Wilms, S. Bailey, Mike Petro and Owen Stone.

Res. 1-22 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 2-22 John moved to pay the bills, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$0 and receipts were \$ 150.00

In terms of correspondence nothing to report.

Res. 3-22 John moved to make Byron Chairman of Board for 2022, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 4-22 John moved to make Pete Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2022, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 5-22 John moved to recertify the zoning map for 2022, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 6-22 John moved that the reimbursement for mileage will be 50 cents per mile. Conference costs and lodging will be reimbursed at cost and meals up to \$50 per day with receipts, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 7-22 John moved to accept the current work rules, with work beginning at 12:01 am Monday to midnight Sunday, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 8-22 John moved to maintain the current zoning, cemetery and town hall fees allowing them to be reviewed as needed, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 9-22 John moved to accept Bill Wilms as Fire Chief, Rub Lupah as Zoning Administrator, and Cindy Hejduk as Town Hall rental/maintenance agent, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 10-22 John moved that the Township officials be paid on a salary basis, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 11-22 John moved that the Township will continue with the HealthCare Reimbursement Account as offered by the Township medical coverage, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 12-22 John moved that the Township Meetings will be held on the first and third Monday of each month at 7:30pm. When meetings fall on a legal holiday they will be held on the following Tuesday, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 13-22 John moved that the liaison positions will be the following: parks and cemeteries, Haase; Zoning, NAD, and Fire Department, Dutton; and Newsletter, Kusar. Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 14-22 John moved to offer group Healthcare insurance plans for all eligible employees, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye

Res. 15-22 John moved that Austinburg Township adopt the Ashtabula County Road regulations for the year 2022, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 16-22 John moved that Austinburg Township recognize all Federal Holidays, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

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Res. 17-22 John moved to keep Kanda as the Sunshine Public Reporter Recorder for the Township, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

No correspondence to report.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lupah had nothing to report.

Fire Chief reported the Family Dollar was inspected and should be set to open shortly.

Road Supervisor had nothing to report

Pete Haase had questions on prices with in regards to boom mowers. John reported he had gotten a quote on a new Holland tractor. Information was given to Mike Petro so he could go look for boom mowers that would work with that tractor. John talked to ODOT about the pedestrian bridge on State Route 307. John spoke with the County Engineers office and they will be out to survey Eagleville cemetery. There is no cost for them to survey, but it may take a while for them to get it done. Rob will have a list for John for the Land bank by next meeting. Still need to work on NOPEC grant about whether we want to go with the new heating or cooling system. Clean-up Day will be Saturday May 7, 2022. Res. 18-22 Byron moved to do Clean-up Day Saturday May 7 from 8:00 am to 12, John seconded. The roll call; Hasse, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. The information for the newsletter needs to be in by February 7. Ravinewood paving project was brought up. Bryon will go to the County Engineers office about paving. We are looking to do an inch and a quarter plus sawing in the butt joints. Would like to have specs so we can go for bid by March. Res. 19-22 Bryon moved to go get the specs for paving all of the Ravinewood allotment, Pete seconded. The roll call; Hasse, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Res. 20-22 Byron motioned to put resident Jeremy Hall on the Zoning Board of Appeals, John seconded. The roll call; Hasse, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Byron reported that there is a NAD meeting Tuesday 1/4/22 and a zoning meeting Wednesday 1/5/22.

Resident S. Bailey asked if anything has been done about another stop light at the highway. Owen Stone asked about getting a speed limit sign put up on Forman Road. Ted Seifert asked about paving around the Township park in town.

Res. 21-22 John moved to go into executive session at 8:12 pm to discuss personnel issues with Bill Wilms staying for the Fire Dept. and Mike Petro staying for the road department, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 22-22 John moved to come out of executive session at 8:39 pm, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 23-22 John moved to increase Fire Chief Bill Wilms salary to \$10,000 plus he will be the Fire Inspector, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 24-22 John moved to increase Zoning Administrator Rob Lupah's monthly salary to \$750.00, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 25-22 John moved to increase Cindy Hedjuk's monthly salary to \$250.00 for Townhall cleaning and rentals, Pete seconded. The roll call; Hasse, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 26-22 John moved to increase Sarah Frank's hourly rate to \$16.50 an hour for the Zoning Secretary's job, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

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Res. 27-22 John moved to give all three roadmen a \$1.00 raise. Mike Petro will now be \$25.57 an hour, Bill Wilms \$22.85 and John Luban \$20.75, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 28-22 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Byron Dutton, Board Chairman

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