

Austinburg Township Meeting  
January 18, 2022

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Rob Lupah, Ted Seifert, and Ginny Seifert.

Res. 29-22 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Res. 30-22 John moved to pay the bills, Haase seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$10,951.77 and receipts were \$1,672.36.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from Barb Schaab the Ashtabula County Recorder in regards to the fees on text and map changes for ballot issues and public hearings. We received an email from the Ashtabula County Township Association. Their next meeting is Thursday, Jan. 20 at 7:00 at the Ashtabula County Commissioners' meeting room. We received an email from Classic Auto Group informing us who their contact person is for purchasing municipality vehicles. We received an email that we will be spotlighted in the Ohio Auditor of State Newsletter for the new dump/plow truck.

Res. 31-22 John moved to use the NOPEC Community grant of \$500 for Township Clean Up Day, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

Res. 32-22 John moved to apply for the NOPEC Energized grant for \$3,213, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.

The Fiscal Officer reviewed the meeting with the Commissioners in regards to the new bed tax software. The Trustees have requested a contract for review with the agreement of 1% and for 1 year only. Then it will be reviewed and voted on.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lupah is still working on a list of distressed homes in the Township.

Fire Chief no report.

Pete has reached out to different playground equipment suppliers with the hope of adding some equipment to the park. John is still working on the boom mower prices and right now the price is around \$150,000. John also went and priced a new pickup truck using state bid and the price would be around \$32,932 for a 2 door Ford F250 gas engine. The price on a 4 door pickup with everything the same would be \$36,275. John will go get some other dealers truck prices. John reported on the updates on the American Relied funds. It looks like we could use some of those funds on the culvert pipe for the Forman Road project.


Res. 33-22 John moved to go for the trench box grant from Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp. for \$14,297.67, Byron seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Our cost will be \$2,859.73 for the new trench box.

John spoke with the County Engineers and they will do the boundary survey on Eagleville cemetery. The County Engineers are working on the specs for Ravinewood with a 1½ inch overlay. John would like for it to go out for bid in March. John spoke with ODOT and they said there is nothing wrong with the pedestrian bridge locate on State Route 307. They are planning on replacing the bridge this year. Byron reported on the NAD meeting. Byron did talk to Jim Pristov, Harpersfield Trustee about the interest in a fire district. John suggested maybe the Trustees should come up with a letter asking who is interested in Fire Districts to at least get things started. NAD has asked to put in an information flyer in our newsletter.

Residents had no questions or concerns.

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Res. 34-22 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Byron Dutton, Board Chairman