Austinburg Township Meeting March 21, 2022

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Ginny Seifert, Lorna Masek, Mike Kovacic, Sherry Bailey, Owen Stone and Brian O'Dell.

Res. 53-22 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.

Res. 54-22 John moved to pay the bills, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$16,424.90 and receipts were \$32,604.00.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from the Ashtabula County Commissioners in regards to the application for Memorial Day Expenses. We received an email from OTRMA about two spring grants: the More Grant and the Police and Fire Grant. We received an email about the the Lake Eric Protection Fund grant. We received an email in regards to FirstEnergy Green Teams who are seeking information on volunteer opportunities to plant trees. We received a phone call wanting to know who is going to be the representative for our Township at the Ashtabula County Health Dept meeting Thursday, March 24. The Austinburg First United Church of Christ is doing an Electronic Waste Recycling Event April 23rd 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

The Fiscal Officer reminded everyone the meeting April 4th will start at 7:00 pm. The Fiscal Officer also reported she started getting things ready to go direct deposit for payroll if the Township should decide to go that route.

No Zoning report. No Road Dept. report. No Fire Dept report.

John reported on the mowing bids. There is an increase this year so it will be voted on next meeting. Newsletter will be mailed out this week. The Fire District letters have been mailed out. There was some discussion on possibly using the American Relief Fund toward our road department salaries. John reported on a sign on Mechanicsville Road that needs moved out of the right away. Pete reported on talking to Randy Richards with ODOT about the flooding issues with the ditch on Route 45 by the Austinburg Vet. Pete got a price on a new swing set for the park. He will reach out to a couple of more vendors. There is a couple moving to Timberwoods that had questions on different things. Pete will have the Rob and Mike talk to them.

Resident Sherry Bailey asked about updating the sign at the bottom of the stairs. However, the sign needs to be replaced because it is dry rotted. Ginny reported on a list she gave to the Township Officials with a brief history of Austinburg. Several boxes on historical items have been put upstairs at the Townhall. Owen said he was in contact with the County Engineers Office in regards to a posted speed limit on Forman Road. The County Engineers Office said the Trustees would have to give them permission to do a survey on Forman Road. The Trustees will be in touch with the County Engineers Office.

Res. 55-22 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm, Pete seconded. The

roll; Haase, aye. Dutton, absent. Kusar, aye.

Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer

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