

Austinburg Township Minutes
July 1, 2024

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Rob Lapuh, Ginny Seifert, Ted Seifert, Mike Petro, Robert Ward and Laurie Robishaw.

Res. 111-24 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 112-24 John moved to pay the bills, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$19,977.86 and receipts were \$16,159.57.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from the First Commonwealth Bank in regards to new services they are offering. We received a letter from the Ohio Environmental Agency in regards to them doing water samples starting at the end of May through October between 8:00 am to 6:00 pm at the local streams and Grand River. We received a letter that the A&S Truck Center is in the process of selling its dealership to M&K Truck Center. We received a postcard for the Austinburg United Church of Christ in regards to their VBS dates, music in the park dates and the Community Picnic July 18th at 4:30pm to 6:30 pm in the Township park. We received the language for the proposed tax levy for this November election. Resident Dave Irons stopped today and said he found a hydrant open this morning. Dave notified Ashtabula County Water and they came out and closed it.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms no report.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lapuh reported that he has stopped at the Forbes residence in regards to all the vehicles on his property. Rob Lapuh reported he has stopped at the owners of the Mr. C's restaurant in regards to the weeds that need cut back and cleaned up.

Road Supervisor Mike Petro reported he and Pete looked at how to correct the issue with the flooding on Mill Street and Mill Street Extension. They will look to jet the line then get a camera in there to see what is happening in the drains. Mike is looking to order stone for the chip n sealing and it looks like around \$35,000 to \$40,000 in stone. Mike is looking at double chip n sealing Lampson and Allen Roads on the east side of Route 45. Mike said the front-end loader repairs for up keep are complete.

John reported he went and met with Joslin Landis insurance in regards to insurance. John would like to go with Joslin Landis because they are local and several area agencies use them as their insurance representation. John's big reason for going with Joslin Landis is because they are local and more accessible.

Res. 113-24 John moved to have Joslin Landis Insurance Partners become our agency of record for the Township medical, vision and dental insurance, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

John also reported on mowers. He has priced and looked at a few different mowers from different vendors.

Res. 114-24 John moved to purchase a 225V-G4 Grasshopper zero turn mower for \$8,664.00 from Robinson Equipment, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Byron reported that there is a NAD meeting this Tuesday, Zoning meeting this Wednesday plus the Zoning Public hearing on July 15 at 7:00 pm before our regular Township meeting. Byron turned in the signed paperwork for the Glenwood Dr Northwest drainage ditch.

Pete went over some areas that need to be looked at for better drainage. Pete reported on the cleanup of brush, trees and stumps that need done at the Austin Cemetery. Pete said the OPWC Round 39 grant needs to be signed and then it can be submitted.

Laurie Robishaw from our Township Zoning Commission reported on a correction that needs done in regards to the proposed zoning overlay district. There are two sentences that need to be removed and an addendum will be written up and presented at the Public Hearing.

Resident Robert Ward who lives on Brown Rd is having issues with his neighbor draining their water into his yard. The neighbor built a pond after the previous neighbor was told he couldn't put in a pond. The Trustees told Mr. Ward to contact Ashtabula Soil and Water because they are the ones that

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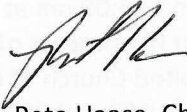
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would handle this situation. Ted Seifert thanked the Trustees and Rob Lapuh for looking into the property on Mill Street

Res. 115-24 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Pete Haase, Chairman