

Austinburg Township Minutes
September 16, 2024

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Rob Lapuh, Bill Wilms, Joe Hejduk Jr., David Gottwig, Teresa Gottwig and Brian O'Dell.

Res. 140-24 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 141-24 John moved to pay the bills, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$27,034.99 and receipts were \$1,407.06.

In terms of correspondence we received a thank you letter from the Ashtabula County Covered Bridge committee in regards to the portable restroom donation. We received a letter from OTARMA looking for nominees for the upcoming Board of Directors election.

The Fiscal Officer reported on the information she has been gathering for security cameras, phones and cyber security from different agencies. The Fiscal Officer reported we can use the NOPEC grant towards security cameras. The Fiscal Officer reported on the Certification of Estimated Resources sent back from the Budget Commission for January 1, 2025. The Fiscal Officer reported the 1-month CD at Andover Bank has been rolled over again.

Res. 142-24 John moved to certify the Certification of Estimated Resources for 2025, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lapuh reported he has issued 3 building permits. Rob reported he had a person reach out to him with questions on what could be done with the old location of Mr. C's as far as zoning guidelines.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms reported that pump tests will be coming due for the fire trucks.

Road Supervisor Mike Petro no report.

John went over the letter that will be sent to the Ashtabula County Engineer in regards to specs that need to be added to the round 38 project on Forman Road. The letter also includes a request for some financial help with fixing culverts and excessive ground settling. Byron reported that they have started laying the pipe on Glenwood. Byron reported they have also laid more pipe on the East side of Pelton Road. Byron reported that the chip and seal has been completed. Pete said he has received the paperwork for round 39 which will be used to pave Forman Road North of Clay Street to the Saybrook Township line. Pete would like to look into putting in new storm drains on Mill Street. Pete will look at what grants we could possibly use for the project.

Resident David Gottwig said he was bringing an informal inquiry to the Trustees to see about zoning looking into doing a comprehensive plan. The Trustees suggested looking at the AC district since it is growing the most. The other issue to look at is solar compliance and lot sizes in town as well as lot sizes on the river. Joe Hejduk Jr asked if the Trustees were aware of all the street lights in town that are out.

Res. 143-24 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Pete Haase, Chairman