

Austinburg Township Minutes
December 2, 2024

The regular meeting of the Austinburg Township Board of Trustees opened at 7:30 pm. In attendance were Ted Seifert, Rob Lapuh, and Brian O'Dell.

Res. 176-24 John moved to accept the minutes as written, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Res. 177-24 John moved to pay the bills, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye. Bills paid were \$66,066.05 and receipts were \$70,258.42.

In terms of correspondence we received a letter from OTARMA in regards to elections for the Board of Directors. We received a letter from the Ohio Department of Commerce in regards to Class C and D retail permits to sell alcoholic beverages. The current permits will expire on February 1, 2025. We received a letter from the Board of Elections confirming the results of the replacement levy that was on the ballot in November. We received an email from the Ashtabula County Health Dept in regards to acreage and frontage for the building of new homes. They are asking the Townships for input on this matter.

The Fiscal Officer reported we were granted the NOPEC funds for \$2,450.00 to replace the windows in the Townhall.

Zoning Administrator Rob Lapuh reported he has issued a permit for an accessory structure.

Fire Chief Bill Wilms no report.

Road Supervisor Mike Petro no report.

John reported he did reach out to Koski in regards to the property by the Township garage but they are out of town currently. John reported that we put an inquiry in the Matrix to find out about the ruling as far as selling recreational cannabis in our town. John reported on Christmas stipends from last year and after some discussion the new stipends were decided.

Res. 178-24 John moved for the Christmas stipends to be for Mike Petro \$700, John Luban \$600 and Anthony Maley \$300, Pete seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Then John reported that the cell phone reimbursement last year was \$600 and after some discussion the cell phone reimbursement was decided.

Res. 179-24 John moved to give Mike Petro, John Luban and Anthony Maley each \$600 for cell phone reimbursement, Byron seconded. The roll call; Haase, aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar aye.

Byron reported that the roads look good in the township. Our new roadman Anthony has been doing a good job especially since this is his first time snow plowing. Byron reported that there is a NAD meeting on Tuesday 12/3 and on Wednesday 12/4 is the township zoning board meeting at 6:00 pm. Pete reported the windows should be in shortly for the Townhall.

Residents had nothing to bring up.

Fiscal Officer reminded everyone that the Year End meeting is Monday, December 30th at 7:30 pm.

Res. 180-24 John moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 pm, Pete seconded. The roll; Haase aye. Dutton, aye. Kusar, aye.



Kanda O'Dell, Fiscal Officer



Pete Haase, Chairman