

AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
82 OHLTOWN ROAD
AUSTINTOWN, OH 44515

JOINT MEETING WITH BOARD OF EDUCATION AND REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 23, 2015

The Joint Meeting with Board of Education and the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township was held Monday, November 23, 2015, at Town Hall, 82 Ohltown Road, Austintown, Ohio.

The meeting opened at 12:00 P.M. with a salute to the flag led by Chairperson James C. Davis. Roll Call was as follows: Mr. Davis, present; Mr. Carano, present; and Mr. Stauffer, present.

Mr. Davis introduced the Board Members, Department Heads, and Sergeant at Arms.

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-01: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to begin Joint Work Session with the Board of Education. Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Carano, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

Chairman Jim Davis introduced the Board of Education Members and Administration. Superintendent, Vince Colaluca updated everyone on the Tennis courts at the Township Park being completed and already in use. He thanked the township for the use of the park. The property at 5800 Mahoning Avenue was also discussed. There has been interest in it, but nothing signed. Mr. Carano proposed a Community Calendar to better keep everyone informed.

The Regular Trustees Meeting started at 12:30PM

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-02: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2015. Mr. Stauffer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

ROAD DEPARTMENT

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Gavalier stated the department received a grant for \$22,000.00 to go towards the \$28,000.00 cost in upgrading the Evidence tracking software program.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

ZONING DEPARTMENT

PARK DEPARTMENT

Park Supervisor, Todd Shaffer mentioned the continued combined efforts of the Park, ODNR and the Green Team in recycling of live Christmas trees starting December 26th, through January 31st, 2016. Trees should be stripped of all materials. Signs will be posted for drop off location at the Park.

SENIOR CENTER

Director, Jim Henshaw of the Senior Center announced Gun Safety Classes will be held in January at the Center

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-03: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to approve RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION AND REQUESTING CERTIFICATION FROM THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR FOR ONE AND A HALF (1.5) MILL FOR RESURFACING AND REPAIR OF ROADS. Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-04: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION AND REQUESTING CERTIFICATION FROM THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR FOR EIGHT TENTHS (0.8) MILL FOR PARKS AND RECREATIONAL. Mr. Stauffer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-05: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to approve RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION AND REQUESTING CERTIFICATION FROM THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR FOR ONE HALF (0.5) MILL FOR SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES. Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

PUBLIC RESPONSE

ON CAMERA:

Lynn Parker of 4694 Westwood spoke in support of the Park, Senior and Road levies. Compared our roads to the roads Mahoning County Engineers take care of.

OFF CAMERA:

Ed Kusky of 263 Parkgate commended the Police Dept and Shawn Heavener in the recovery of his stolen items.

REMARKS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS

FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE:

Thanked the Board of Education for meeting with the Trustees. Believes a lot of good things can happen for Austintown when we work together. Commended Seth Welch on his Eagle Scout Project and said it was a very appropriate dedication on Veteran's Day. Wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

TRUSTEE KENNETH A. CARANO:

Congratulated Kelly Mills, AES counselor
Reminded everyone of The Polar Run @ 6:00PM to benefit Joey Shushok in his continuing battle with cancer.
Congratulated Ideal Store Fixtures on their re-opening and commended them on their willingness to stay in Austintown.
Reminded everyone of the Wickliffe Christmas Tree Lighting on December 3rd at 6:45PM.
Commented on his trip to Columbus and the meeting with the Committee of Wagering & Gaming. He asked the committee not to over react and that the system is working.
Also commented on the Racino working well with our safety forces

TRUSTEE RICHARD A. STAUFFER:

Thanked Lynn on his supportive comments on the Levies
Commented on Seth Welch's Veteran's Day memorial dedication
Thanked Ken Jakubec and the Board
Wished everyone a great Thanksgiving and noted we should all be thankful every day

TRUSTEE JAMES C. DAVIS:

Congratulated Seth Welch on his project and noted what a beautiful sight it is
Also commended the Board of Education for accepting the project

Thanked Ken Jabubec – Kenneth David, Vietnam Veteran; ‘Best’ speaker
ever and for being able to honor his father

Weather is changing – reminder to please bring pets inside during harsh
weather

Reminder of the Wickliffe Christmas Tree lighting ceremony hosted by Joyce
Pogany on December 3rd. Santa will arrive on a Fire Truck

Thanksgiving – share with those in need

Commended the high school students on their ‘people in need’ gesture by
gathering up hats, gloves and scarves and going to downtown Youngstown
and tied them to telephone poles

Thanked the Board of Education

ZONING PUBLIC HEARING BEGAN AT 1:00PM

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-06: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to accept the
recommendations of the Mahoning County Planning Commission and the
Austintown Zoning Commission and rezone the subject property to a
Business B-2 district. Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr.
Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-07: Motion by Mr. Carano to recess into Executive
Session at 1:10 P.M for the following:

- A. To consider the appointment, employment, discipline, or
compensation of public employees
- B. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or
bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their
compensation or other terms and conditions of their
employment

Mr. Stauffer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes;
and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

RESOLUTION #15-11-23-08: Motion by Mr. Carano to adjourn at 4:30 P.M.
Mr. Stauffer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes;
and Mr. Carano, yes.

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This is to certify that the foregoing is an accurate record of the proceedings of the board of township trustees at its meeting held on the date listed above.

Date: _____
_____ **Fiscal Officer**

Approved:

Chairperson Board of Trustees