

# AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO  
82 OHLTOWN ROAD  
AUSTINTOWN, OH 44515

## REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 24, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township was held Monday October 24, 2016, 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 Kenneth A. Carano. Roll Call was as follows: Mr. Davis, present; Mr. Stauffer, present; and Mr. Carano, present.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-01:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 10, 2016.

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

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Dockry reminded everyone that Halloween will be Monday October 5:30 – 7:30 PM

### DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

#### ROAD DEPARTMENT

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-02:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to Approve the 'No Parking' on the east side of S. Kimberly from 103 north to Mahoning Avenue.

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

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Andy Frost announced that Station #3, (located at 2650 Raccoon

Rd) will be staffed with 2 employees 5 days a week starting November 14, 2016 and lasting for 2 years. This was made possible with the Grant money received earlier this year.

**ZONING DEPARTMENT**

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-03:** Motion by Mr. Davis to approve the following:

**RESOLUTION**

The **Board of Trustees of Austintown Township, Mahoning County, Ohio**, meeting on **Monday, October 24, 2016**, did adopt the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS:** The Board of Trustees of Austintown Township has determined that the following properties constitute a nuisance pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 505.87:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township that the above constitutes a nuisance and the property owners are hereby **ORDERED** to abate, control, or remove said nuisances:

3828 Edinburgh Drive

Parcel No. 48-006-0-169.000

Trash and garbage at the side of the garage, dog waste and odor within rear yard;

1204 North Four Mile Run Road

Parcel No. 48-071-0-022.000

Above ground pool in deplorable condition, and garbage (rotten fruit) in yard area;

3429 Heritage Court

Parcel No. 48-112-0-084.000

An uncovered above ground pool with stagnate water;

285 South Inglewood Avenue

Parcel No. 48-097-0-016.000

High grass and weeds;

3975 Kirk Road

Parcel No. 48-002-0-208.000

Junk and debris at curb;

1122 Ohltown Road

Parcel No. 48-047-0-025.000

Shed in deplorable condition with south side wall missing;

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5346 South Saratoga Avenue  
Parcel No. 48-115-0-061.000  
High grass and weeds and yard waste;

1774 Woodland Trace Street  
Parcel No. 48-107-0-177.000  
An in-ground pool with stagnate water;

If said nuisances is not abated, controlled or provision for its abatement, control, or removal is not made within SEVEN (7) DAYS from the below date of adoption, the BOARD OF TRUSTEES will provide for the abatement, control, or removal, and any expenses incurred-\$500 minimum-by the Board of Trustees in performing that task will be entered upon the tax duplicate and will be a lien upon the land from the date of entry.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AMENDMENT 2016-08-Z from letter dated 9.30.16 at 1:00 PM**

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-04:** Motion by Mr. Davis to accept the recommendation of AMENDMENT 2016-08-Z by the Austintown Township Zoning Commission and approve the request, as per attached letter dated September 30, 2016, to Agricultural-Suburban Estate Residential (A-SER) Districts beginning 200 feet south of the front (Silica Road) property lines.

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

**PARK DEPARTMENT**

Park Supervisor, Todd Shaffer stated the park has started shutting things down with only another week for the tennis courts. Mr. Shaffer also mentioned the ‘step out against Bullying’ event and thanked Shawne Wifong for her participation.

**SENIOR CENTER**

Senior Center Director, Jim Henshaw announced the Center was having an afghan raffle to obtain funds for the purchase of a cutting machine for the quilting program.

**FISCAL OFFICER**

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-05:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to APPROVE September

Reports submitted to Board at the October 10, 2016 meeting:

- a. Fund Status
- b. Revenue Status
- c. Appropriation Status

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

### NEW BUSINESS

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-06:** Motion by Mr. Davis to Approve Advance from General Fund (1000) TO:

- 1. \$15,000.00 to MVLETF Drug Law Enforcement (2913)

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-07:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to Approve Transfer from General Fund (1000) TO:

- 1. \$440,366.96 to Permanent Improvement (4301)

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

### PUBLIC RESPONSE

**OFF CAMERA: NONE**

**ON CAMERA:**

Margaret Roth; Canfield address – owns property in Austintown - complained the neighbor has a motor home parked at his house and wanted to know if there was anything the Township could do to help get it moved. Zoning Inspector Darren Crivelli responded to Mrs. Roth in that the motor home was parked correctly and the Township does not have ‘home rule’.

Mike Beaudis – sent out from the Austintown Historical Society a heartfelt thank you to the Township Trustees and Todd Shaffer for helping with the brick project at the Log Cabin.

Eric Newton; 5741 Norquest – thanked Police Dept. – spoke in favor of Police Levy.

**REMARKS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS**

**FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE:**

Attended the Lauren Bowman Event held at the park. Ms. Wolfe stated that it brought to life the reality of bullying. She also stated that it was great to see the community support.

**TRUSTEE RICHARD A. STAUFFER:**

Go Indians! Congrats to football team as well as ALL of the fall sports teams and athletes. Mr. Stauffer reminded everyone of the upcoming Elections and Levies. He stated we don't operate on fluff & excess. We were conservative; much thought and discussion goes into putting a levy on the ballot. Please VOTE – get educated. Halloween is on Monday – drive carefully – be SAFE. Well wishes for Lou Chine – thanked him for his time on the Board of Education.

**TRUSTEE JAMES C. DAVIS:**

Congratulated the Fitch Falcons in their win over Boardman! Mr. Davis wished the Cleveland Indians the best in the World Series. He requested from Chief Frost the burning laws which Chief Frost stated – 3 x 3 x 3 fire – clean dry wood – firemen don't go out unless they get a complaint.

Mr. Davis also commented on the upcoming election and the 2 levies on the ballot for the Township. In order for the Township to provide the services – we need to support the levies – noting the state government has cut our budget by \$1.2 million. The Township is as conservative with tax dollars as possible. Please VOTE regardless of your choices, the more voters that turn out – helps us with County Services; and also on the State level.

**TRUSTEE KENNETH A. CARANO:**

Continued along with Mr. Stauffer and Mr. Davis with the well wishes for Lou Chine. Mr. Carano congratulated Kathy Mock on her Award. He commented on the Levies: stating since 2010, the township has lost \$2.2 million. With every \$15.00 sent to Columbus – we receive \$1.50 back. The 'Rainy Day' fund – needs to come back to Local Governments. You can't do more for less! Please VOTE.

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-08:** Motion by Mr. Davis Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 505.10 the Board finds that the fair market value of the personal property item listed below is \$2,500 or less, and that said item of personal property listed below is unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for public use.

1. Mechanics walk behind forklift

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-09:** Motion by Mr. Davis to recess into Executive Session at 12:50 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. Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-10:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to reconvene from Executive Session at 1:50 P.M.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-11:** Motion by Mr. Davis to accept resignation of Ron Crum, full time Police Officer, effective October 29, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-12:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to approve status change of Chase Kovacs and Michael Smith from probationary status to part time firefighters on the Austintown Fire Department roster having completed their schooling and probationary period and having been tested successfully.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-13:** Motion by Mr. Davis to approve the hiring of Vince Fabian, part time Park Personnel effective November 6, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-14:** Motion by Mr. Stauffer to approve the hiring of Jared Vinkler and Michael L. Smith as full time Firefighters on the Austintown Fire Department roster having completed their schooling and probationary

period and having been tested successfully.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-15:** Motion by Mr. Davis to accept the resignation of Ralph Kistler, full time Dispatcher with the Austintown Communications Department effective December 31, 2016.

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

**RESOLUTION #16-10-24-16:** Motion by Mr. Davis to adjourn meeting at 2:00 P.M.

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

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:

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Chairperson Board of Trustees