

AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – JANUARY 23, 2012

PUBLIC HEARING
AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
January 23, 2012

In accordance with Section 519.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Austintown Township Trustees held a public hearing on Monday, January 23, 2012 at the Township Hall, 82 Ohltown Road, Austintown, Ohio, for final determination of Amendment 2011-04-Z.

The following Trustees were in attendance:

David C. Ditzler – Chairman
James C. Davis – Vice Chairman
Lisa L. Oles

The Public Hearing was opened at 5:40 P.M. by Mr. Ditzler leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Ditzler stated the following:

The Public Hearing before the Austintown Township Board of Trustees for January 23, 2012 is now in session. Let the record show that under the provisions of Ohio Revised Code 519.12, notice of this hearing has been given in one newspaper of general circulation in the Township at least ten (10) days before the date of this hearing.

After a reading of the legal notice and the recommendations of the Mahoning County Planning Commission and the Austintown Township Zoning Commission, the Board of Trustees will first hear testimony from the applicant, than all testimony in support of the proposed amendment, then all testimony against the amendment. If testimony is offered against the request, the applicant will be given a short rebuttal opportunity. All testimony and questions are to be directed to the Board of Trustees.

When all testimony has been given, the Board of Trustees will then act by motion upon the recommendation of the Austintown Zoning Commission.

AMENDMENT 2011-04-Z

The Austintown Township Trustees, 82 Ohltown Road, Austintown, Ohio, 44515, proposed amendment to the Austintown Township Zoning Ordinance, as amended through August 23, 2010, to adopt Article XXII-Small Wind Energy Project Regulations.

Zoning Inspector Crivelli stated on December 20, 2011, the **MAHONING COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION** recommended **APPROVAL** of the request per the agenda.

Zoning Inspector Crivelli read the following: On January 5, 2012 the **AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION**: Motion by Mr. Marstellar to accept the recommendation of the Mahoning County Planning Commission and recommend **APPROVAL** of the request. Seconded by Mrs. Sovik.

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Roll call vote: Mr. Benyo – Yes; Mrs. Sovik – Yes; Mr. Marsteller – Yes; and Mr. Hendricks – Yes.

Zoning Inspector Crivelli referenced the minutes of the Zoning Commission public hearing held on January 5, 2012 and a copy of the resolution approved by the Trustees initiating the zone change from their public meeting held December 12, 2012.

Zoning Inspector Crivelli stated the proposed amendment regulates the placement of windmills within Austintown Township. He also stated members of the Mahoning County Planning Commission were impressed with the document and suggested it should be the model for other townships in Mahoning County who are considering adopting windmill regulations.

No one in attendance to speak in favor of the request.

No one in attendance to speak in opposition of the request.

2011-04-Z

Motion by Mr. Davis to accept and **APPROVE** the recommendation of the Austintown Township Zoning Commission. Seconded by Mrs. Oles.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Ditzler – Yes; Mrs. Oles – Yes; and Mr. Davis – Yes.

Motion by Mr. Davis to adjourn the public hearing. Seconded by Mrs. Oles.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Oles – Yes; Mr. Ditzler – Yes; and Mr. Davis – Yes.

There being nothing further to come before the Board of Trustees, the hearing was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

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Darren L. Crivelli, Zoning Inspector

APPROVED: _____
David C. Ditzler, Chairman

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____
Laura Wolfe, Fiscal Officer

DATE: _____