

AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
82 OHLTOWN ROAD
AUSTINTOWN, OH 44515

REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township was held Monday, April 10, 2017, at Town Hall, 82 Ohltown Road, Austintown, Ohio.

The meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. with a salute to the flag led by Chairperson Richard Stauffer. Roll Call was as follows: Mr. Davis, present; Mr. Carano, present; and Mr. Stauffer, present.

A moment of silence was offered for former police officer Mark Durkin and Patricia Vallas, former Admn. Asst. to the Chief of Police.

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-01: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 27, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-02: Motion by Mr. Carano to hire Jason Murzda as an Austintown Township Police Officer.

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

Oath given by Fiscal Officer Laura Wolfe

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

ROAD DEPARTMENT AND CEMETERY

March 2017 Monthly report received.

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-03: Motion by Mr. Davis to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Trustees of Austintown, Boardman and Canfield Townships regarding the 2017 Joint Paving Program – see attached

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-04: Motion by Mr. Carano to authorize participation in the ODOT Winter Contract (08-18) for Road Salt and requesting three thousand (3,000) tons of Road Salt for the period October 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 – see attached

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 2017 Monthly report received.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

March 2017 Monthly report received.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

March 2017 Monthly report received.

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-05: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve the following:

RESOLUTION

The Board of Trustees of Austintown Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, meeting on Monday, April 10, 2017, 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 following properties constitute a nuisance and the property owners are hereby **ORDERED** to abate, control, or remove said nuisances:

5470 Virginia Drive (vacant)

Parcel No. 48-029-0-004.000

An above ground pool collapsing with stagnate water and no cover. Black trash bags at curb for over two weeks and trash bags at the eastern property line;

4517 North Warwick (vacant)

Parcel No. 48-112-0-217.000

An above ground pool in a dilapidated, unsanitary condition with no cover and 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. Davis seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-06: Mr. Davis made a motion to find the following motor vehicles meet all of the following criteria: 1) Three model years or older; 2) Apparently inoperable; and 3) extensively damaged, including, but not limited to, any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine, or transmission and to declare the following vehicles public nuisances under Ohio Revised Code 505.871 and order the removal of the junk vehicles within 14 days after noticed is served to the property owner:

5470 Virginia Drive - An inoperable and unlicensed Ford Mercury Tracer parked in an exposed manner within the driveway.

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

PARK DEPARTMENT

March 2017 Monthly report received.

Park Supervisor, Todd Shaffer reminded everyone of a 5K walk/run being held at the park on Saturday April 22, 2017 to benefit the Autism Society. Event opens at 8:00 AM.

SENIOR CENTER

March 2017 Monthly report received.

FISCAL OFFICER

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-07: Motion by Mr. Carano to Accept March Reports submitted to Board for review:

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-08: Motion by Mr. Davis to approve the attached resolution under Ohio Revised Code 3796.29 and made part of the minutes to prohibit marijuana cultivators, processors, and retail dispensaries within Austintown Township. - see attached

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-09: Motion by Mr. Davis, pursuant to ORC 505.10(3), to find the township has the following motor vehicles that are not needed or are unfit for public use, and the Board wishes to sell the following motor vehicles to the person or firm from which it proposes to purchase other motor vehicles and to have the selling price credited to the person or firm against the purchase price of other motor vehicles:

2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer
2009 Chevrolet Cobalt
2006 Chevrolet Impala
2007 Chevrolet Impala
2011 Chevrolet Impala

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-10: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve resolution regarding a closed-end motor vehicle lease and the commercial addendum to lease agreement (Public Entity) with GM Financial Greenwood Chevrolet. – see attached

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

Davis, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

PUBLIC RESPONSE

OFF CAMERA: None

ON CAMERA:

Sam Swoger; 4492 Viall Rd - thanked Ken for helping with the new program on ACTV. Mr. Swoger also mentioned the Memorial Day Parade, start time 10:30 AM.

Pat Connolly; 3819 Elmwood - needs help from Austintown residents to help deter vandalism at the 911 Park and asked everyone to keep their eyes open and to report any suspicious behavior.

REMARKS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS

FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE: The Township's Permanent Appropriations have been set and an Amended Certificate has been issued. These appropriations reflect estimated expenses for 2017. Each dept. has been given authority to work within their budgets. These budgets are reviewed throughout the year and adjusted as needed. The township has been getting R.E. tax advances and is currently waiting on 1st half settlement. These advances give the township cash on hand which helps us to stay in the black. We haven't had to take out Tax Advance Loans in some time now.

TRUSTEE KENNETH A. CARANO: Mentioned Austintown Fence has been in business for 50 years now. Mr. Carano mentioned on the passing of news reporter Bob Black, stating Bob was all about reporting the news and not creating it. Finally Mr. Carano commented on the 1962 graduates being inducted into the Veteran's Hall of Fame.

TRUSTEE JAMES C. DAVIS: Mentioned anti-bullying bracelets being sold to raise money for the memorial walk on October 29th. Mr. Davis mentioned Mike Galle of Hollywood Gaming and wished him well on his promotion. Mr. Davis addressed the concerns from 8th grade STEM students in the letters they have sent to the township. Mr. Davis expressed his admiration for Lt. Mark Durkin. Finally, Mr. Davis commented on Tyler Castro, an 11 year old with the Austintown Little Falcons, who sold chocolate to send to the troops for Easter.

TRUSTEE RICHARD A. STAUFFER: Wished all a Happy Easter and mentioned the Passion Play going on at Highway Tabernacle Friday and Saturday. He also mentioned the Covelli Center will host 'Meet Me at the

Cross' on Friday night.

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-11: Motion by Mr. Carano to recess to Executive Session at 6:55 P.M.:

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-12: Motion by Mr. Davis to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:19 P.M.

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-13: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve Collective Bargaining Contract between Austintown Township and Ohio Patrolman's Benevolent Association; Clerical Unit, effective upon execution through December 31, 2018.

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-14: Motion by Mr. Davis to approve recommendation of Chief Gavalier, to terminate employment of Dispatcher Jeff Roskie due to poor performance during his probationary period.

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-15: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve Collective Bargaining Contract between the Austintown Township and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 377; Part-time Firefighters effective upon execution through December 31, 2018.

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

RESOLUTION #17-04-10-16: Motion by Mr. Carano to adjourn meeting at 8:21 P.M.

Mr. Davis seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, 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: 04-24-17 Jana Swayze
Fiscal Officer

Approved:
Russ A. Stapp
Chairperson Board of Trustees