

AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
82 OHLTOWN ROAD
AUSTINTOWN, OH 44515

REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 12, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township was held Monday, February 12, 2018, 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 James 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 #18-02-12-01: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to appoint Michael B. Dockry Fiscal officer Pro-Tem in the absence of Laura L. Wolfe.

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

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-02: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 22nd and Special Meeting of January 29, 2018.

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

Bruce Laraway, Rotary Present gave a presentation on the organization. He stated the club provides two Fitch Scholarships; provides dictionaries to the entire 3rd grade (over 350); donates to the Veteran's Memorial and whenever a need is presented. Other than membership dues and the 'fly-the-flag' program, the biggest fund raiser for them is the Reverse Raffle (which is March 3rd this year). They meet every Monday at noon at the Manor; 38 current members of which 20% are female.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

ROAD DEPARTMENT AND CEMETERY

January 2018 Monthly report received.

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-03: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to approve Engineering Services Proposal from Thomas Fok & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$3,000.00 for Westchester Drive Road Improvements – Phase 2.

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

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-04: Motion by Mr. Carano pursuant to ORC 4511.21 for the Director of Transportation to declare a reasonable and safe speed for Ohltown Girard Road; aka County Line Road & W. Mahoning Trumbull Road, from the east terminus west 0.33 miles as requested by Trumbull County Engineer.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 2018 Monthly report received.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 2018 Monthly report received.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

January 2018 Monthly report received.

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-05: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve the following:

RESOLUTION

The Board of Trustees of Austintown Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, meeting on Monday, February 12, 2018, 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:

3913 Claridge Drive

Parcel No. 48-005-0-068.000

A Large amount of junk and debris including, a couch, love seat and water heaters, stored in an exposed manner on the property;

4335 Woodridge Drive

Parcel No. 48-109-0-187.000

A large amount of junk and debris stored in an exposed manner near the garage;

If said nuisances are not abated, controlled or provision for their 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 Vote: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-06: Motion by Mr. Stauffer 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:

3786 Bryant Drive: An unlicensed and inoperable vehicle stored in an exposed manner atop a trailer at the property;

5742 Baylor Avenue: An inoperable silver Buick with two flat tires and an expired license plate (GPG 4607) parked in an exposed manner at the property; and

5821 Herons Boulevard, Unit B: An inoperable silver vehicle with expired license plate (FZW 2009) parked in an exposed manner within the driveway.

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

PARK DEPARTMENT

January 2018 Monthly report received.

SENIOR CENTER

January 2018 Monthly report received.

FISCAL OFFICER

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-07: Motion by Mr. Carano to Accept January's Reports submitted to Board for review:

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-08: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to Approve ADVANCES from General Fund (1000) to:

\$100,000.00 to Police (2081) 1/18/18
\$200,000.00 to Police (2081) 1/25/18
\$150,000.00 to Road (2031) 1/25/18
\$100,000.00 to Communications (6002) 1/29/18
\$150,000.00 to Police (2081) 1/30/18
\$100,000.00 to Fire (2111) 1/30/18
\$ 25,000.00 to Maintenance (6001) 1/30/18

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

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-09: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to Not request a hearing on Notice to Legislative Authority – Transfer Permit to Alycon Hospitality Group LLC, DBA Sam's Wedge Inn, 1685 S. Raccoon Rd., Austintown TWP, Youngstown, OH 44515; Permit Number 0142111, Permit Classes, D5, D6, from Sam's Wedge Inn LLC, 1685 S. Raccoon Rd., Austintown TWP, Youngstown, OH 44515; Permit Number 7708099, Permit Classes D5, D6. No objections from Chief Gavalier or zoning.

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

PUBLIC RESPONSE

OFF CAMERA: None

ON CAMERA:

Millie Potkonicky – has Senior Center concerns

- Employees should pay for their meals – in favor of this because of the \$4,000.00 debt from food
- Showed the Board a bowl of soup that she received when she bought lasagna for \$6.00
- Was insulted by kitchen staff in front of 20 other people

Eric Newton – 5741 Norquest

- Complained about the recent violence against police officers
- Talked in support of the Police Levy

John Russo – Pembroke Road

- Asked whether any other cable company can come into Austintown
- Asked Trustees to negotiate lower rates

Sam Swoger - 4492 Viall Rd.

- Advised the 4th of July Committee has begun to meet
- Will need community's financial support
- Spoke about the need for help in the spring at the 9-1-1 Park

REMARKS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS

FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE: Absent

TRUSTEE RICHARD A. STAUFFER:

- Thanked the high school students for attending tonight's meeting
- Thanked the Chamber for the recent 'Good Morning Austintown' event
- Advised of forthcoming state and county road projects

TRUSTEE KENNETH A. CARANO:

- Congratulated couple on their 60th Anniversary
- Announced the 2017 Hall of Fame inductees
- Explained the need for the Police Levy because of state funding cutbacks since 2011
- Encouraged high school students in attendance to volunteer in the community

- The Board will look into the Senior Center's complaints

TRUSTEE JAMES C. DAVIS:

- Corrected the record as for the number of Boardman Road employees
- Stressed the Township is presently at low number of employees and that was the reason for his Boardman comparison
- Responded to social media complaints about officers using social media to contact prostitute
- Explained state grants require this kind of police work because prostitution involves human trafficking
- Advised this is not done by the 2 grant officers all 40 hours of their work week
- This kind of work has also helped solve drug trafficking cases and even murder cases outside Austintown
- Discussed some of the recent new restaurants that have opened and will open this year
- He attributed some of this development to the Racino

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-10: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to recess to Executive Session at 7:20 P.M.:

- a. To consider the appointment, employment, discipline, or compensation of public employees

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

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-11: Motion by Mr. Carano to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:20 P.M.

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

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-12: Motion by Mr. Stauffer to appoint Bruce Shepas to a two (2) year term as an alternate on the Austintown Township Zoning Commission beginning immediately and expiring on December 31, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-13: Motion by Mr. Carano to hire the following individuals as probationary firefighter: Joseph Milano, Shawn Murray and Philippe Socha III.

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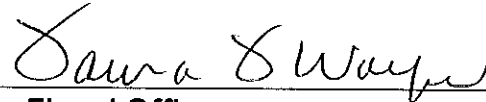
Mr. Stauffer seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

RESOLUTION #18-02-12-14: Motion by Mr. Carano to adjourn at 8:25 P.M.

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

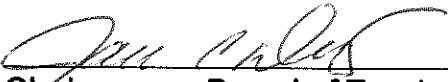
This is to certify that the foregoing is an accurate record of the proceedings of the board of township trustees at its meeting held on the date listed above.

Date: 02-26-18



Fiscal Officer

Approved:



Chairperson Board of Trustees