

# AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO  
82 OHLTOWN ROAD  
AUSTINTOWN, OH 44515

## AGENDA

**MEETING OF JANUARY 5, 2026  
REORGANIZATIONAL AND REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.**

- I. 2025 CHAIRMAN OPENS THE MEETING AT 5:30 P.M.
- II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG
- III. FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE CONTINUES THE MEETING AS CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM.
- IV. ROLL CALL TAKEN BY FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE
- V. FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE ACTING AS CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM ASKS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN FOR 2026
- VI. FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE ACTING AS CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM ASKS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2026
- VII. FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE ADJOURNS THE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND TURNS THE MEETING OVER TO THE CHAIRMAN.

### **REGULAR MEETING**

- I. INTRODUCTION
- II. Presentation of Proclamation to Austintown Fitch High School senior John Check
- III. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- IV. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
- V. DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
  - A. Road Department and Cemetery

1. Motion declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten Mill Limitation and Requesting Certification from the Mahoning County Auditor. This tax is a RENEWAL TAX (for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads, and bridges).
2. Motion declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten Mill Limitation and Requesting Certification from the Mahoning County Auditor. This tax is a RENEWAL TAX (for the purpose of resurfacing and repair of roads).
3. Motion, pursuant to ORC 9.15, to certify that Aaron Kuti was an indigent person in that his income did not exceed one hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty line, as revised annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

B. Police Department

C. Fire Department

1. Motion to appoint Chief Schertzer the Township's representative for the Mahoning County Haz-Mat Executive Board.
2. Motion to authorize Chief Schertzer to sign non-monetary mutual aid contracts as they are presented throughout the year.
3. Motion to continue the Mutual Aid Agreement with the Mahoning County HAZ-Mat Team. This contract includes a 10¢ cents per capita fee not to exceed \$4,000. The Mahoning County Commissioners match our 10¢ cents per capita.

D. Zoning Department

1. Motion to determine the attached property(s) constitute a public nuisance pursuant to ORC 505.87 (grass & debris):
2. Motion to find the attached listed of motor vehicle(s) meet all the criteria to be declared public nuisances pursuant to ORC 505.871 (junk vehicles).
3. Motion to certify to the Mahoning County Auditor that the spreadsheet entitled "Austintown Township Nuisance Assessments June 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025" be made part of the minutes of this meeting is an accurate description of the properties declared public nuisances and includes all costs incurred in providing for the abatement, control, or removal of any vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris as provided by Ohio Revised Code 505.87 including the board's charges for its services, the costs incurred in providing notice, any fees or interest paid to borrow

moneys, and the amount paid for labor, materials, and equipment. The Board of Trustees requests the Mahoning County Auditor place the costs as listed upon the tax duplicates of the described properties. The costs will be a lien upon the lands from and after the date of the entry. The costs shall be returned to the township and placed in the township's general fund.

E. Park Department

F. Senior Center

G. Fiscal Officer

1. Motion to Accept December 2025 Reports submitted to Board for Review:

- a. Fund Status
- b. Revenue Status
- c. Appropriation Status
- d. Payment Listing over \$10,000.00

i. GENERAL:

\$36,333.83 – Ohio Public Works Commission  
Loan CF31 – 2021 Road Resurfacing Payment  
Res. #20-12-15-04

ii. FIRE:

\$48,980.00 – Phoenix Safety Outfitters, LLC  
Turnout gear; safety gear - hoods, gloves, etc.  
#25-10-06-09

iii. ROAD:

\$15,124.73 – Morton Salt – Road Salt  
#25-04-07-03

e. Requisitions for Board Approval

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion to approve reasonable and necessary expenses for 2026 Ohio Township Association conventions, seminars, and CLOUD meetings and State Auditor's and Bureau of Workers Compensation Seminars attended by Fiscal Officer, Trustees, and/or Administrator or their designee.

- B. Motion to adopt the attached Austintown Township, Mahoning County Tax-Exempt Certificate Use and Sales Tax Policy as recommended by the Auditor of State in the issuance of Bulletin 2025-013.
- C. Motion to approve the Ohio Emergency Management Agency Grant Agreement as per attached.
- D. Motion to approve Consulting Services Contract with KO Consulting, LLC for year 2026 as per attached.

VII. REMARKS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

VIII. MOTION TO RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

IX. MOTION TO RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

X. ADJOURN