

ANDERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
January 16, 2025

Lexi Lausten, Trustee Chair
Joshua S. Gerth, Trustee Vice Chair
R. Dee Stone, Trustee
Brian Johnson, Fiscal Officer

At 3 PM Mrs. Lausten called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees including: Fiscal Officer Brian Johnson, Township Administrator Vicky Earhart, Assistant Township Administrator for Operations Steve Sievers, Assistant Township Administrator for Human Resources Suzanne Parker, Planning & Zoning Director Paul Drury, Public Works Director Eric Luginbuhl, Law Director Margaret Comey, Anderson Township Fire & Rescue Chief Richard Martin, Sheriff's Department Lt. Dave Downing, Fiscal Office Clerk Katie Arnold, Director of Finance Tammy Disque.

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the agenda. **Mr. Gerth** seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

Mrs. Lausten moved to retire to Executive Session to consider the appointment of a public employee or official as permitted by Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). **Mrs. Stone** seconded the motion.

Mrs. Lausten moved to return from Executive Session. **Mrs. Stone** seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

At 4:28 PM the board recessed until 5:30.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Lausten led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public came forward.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Mrs. Stone thanked Anderson Area Chamber staff and event staff at Anderson Center for all the work done to create a fabulous Anderson Women Event.

Mr. Gerth recognized the Public Works Department for how it handled the snowstorm.

Mrs. Lausten thanked Public Works and Mrs. Earhart, Township Administrator, for their work during the recent storm. She also stated that the Township is seeking volunteers for zoning boards.

FISCAL OFFICER

Mr. Johnson also thanked the Public Works staff and mentioned compliments he had received from residents.

Financial Reports

Mr. Johnson presented the December financial reports and updated the Board on the financial software transitions. He updated the Board on the Township's upcoming use of the Bonefish financial monitoring system. He also stated that investment management had moved to Redtree Investments.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

RESOLUTION NO. 25 – 0116 – 01

Mrs. Stone moved adopt the minutes from November 7, 2024 as presented by the Fiscal Officer. **Mr. Gerth** seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: **Mrs. Lausten**, yes; **Mr. Gerth**, yes; **Mrs. Stone**, yes.

LAW DIRECTOR

There was no new business.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

There was no new business.

PLANNING & ZONING

Resolution Determining Existence of Nuisance on Land Owned by Frederick C. Berlund, Jean Paul Berlund, and Carl T. Berlund, Jr. located at 1542 Turquoise Drive in Anderson Township, and Providing for Notice and Remediation Pursuant to ORC Section 505.87

Mr. Dury presented the following nuisance resolution for the Board's consideration.

Mr. Gerth moved to adopt the below resolution. **Mrs. Stone** seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 25 – 0115 – 02

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING EXISTENCE OF
NUISANCE ON LAND OWNED BY FREDERICK C.
BERLUND, JEAN PAUL BERLUND, AND CARL T.
BERLUND, JR., LOCATED AT 1542 TURQUOISE DRIVE,
IN ANDERSON TOWNSHIP, AND PROVIDING FOR
NOTICE AND REMEDIATION PURSUANT TO ORC
SECTION 505.87**

Whereas, a board of township trustees may provide for the abatement, control, or removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris from land in the township, if the board determines that the owner's maintenance of that vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris constitutes a nuisance, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87 (the "Statute");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES (THE "BOARD") OF ANDERSON TOWNSHIP, OHIO (the "Township"), that:

Section 1. Maintenance of the vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris by the owner or owners (the "owner"), as specified in Schedule A hereto (which by this reference is incorporated herein), is hereby determined to constitute a nuisance within the meaning of the Statute and the owner is hereby ordered to abate, control, or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris as set forth herein.

Section 2. If the owner of the land upon which the nuisance is located is determined by the Anderson Township Planning & Zoning Department to be a resident of the Township or a nonresident whose address is known, the Planning & Zoning Department shall give notice to such owner, on behalf of this Board, in substantially the form attached hereto as Schedule A, by posting that notice in a sheltered place and/or in a waterproof envelope on the principal structure (if any) on such land and photographing the posted notice with a camera capable of recording the date of the photograph on it. Such notice shall also be sent, on behalf of this Board, by certified mail to the owner and to each lienholder of record. If such owner's address is unknown and cannot reasonably be obtained, the Zoning Inspector shall cause such notice to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.

Section 3. If, within seven (7) days after the giving of the notice or notices provided for in Section 2 hereof, the owner of such land fails to abate, control, or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or debris, and no agreement is entered into with the Board under Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87(B)(2) to provide for said abatement, control, or removal, then the Zoning Inspector, on behalf of this Board, shall provide for such abatement, control, or removal and, on behalf of this Board, may employ the necessary labor, materials, and equipment to perform the task. The expenses to be incurred in that regard are hereby authorized and appropriated to be paid from the Township General Fund from moneys not otherwise appropriated. Those expenses shall be recovered by the Township pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87(F).

Section 4. This Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal

actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

There was no further discussion.

FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Recognition of Battalion Chief Brian Carlson for Completion of Executive Fire Officer Program

Chief Martin asked Brian Carlson and his family to come forward to be recognized for his efforts at Executive Fire Officer Training. Officer Carlson was only one of one hundred nationwide to complete the course.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Lt. Downing updated the Board about recent car theft and the resulting arrests. There was a brief discussion. **Mr. Gerth** mentioned that the Township has a great relationship with the Sheriff's Office asked what will happen to the perpetrators after law enforcement does its job, will they get charged, and will they go to jail? **Lt. Downing** stated that courts' punishments are not enough to deter the crimes. **Ms. Lausten** mentioned that there are elements that are out of our control, but citizens need to speak up and stay vigilant. **Ms. Stone** mentioned her concern that there was a firearm in the vehicle and the chance that the situation escalates in severity.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

There was no new business.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR

Appointment of Trustee Liaisons to Township Committees

Mrs. Earhart presented the following resolution for the trustee liaison appointments to various township committees and mentioned that the Anderson Plan Implementation Committee will be a special meeting, and the schedule will be public.

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Mrs. Stone moved to appoint the trustee liaisons to committees as presented. **Mr. Gerth** seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: **Mrs. Lausten**, yes; **Mr. Gerth**, yes; **Mrs. Stone**, yes.

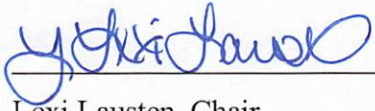
Items Arising from Executive Session Discussions

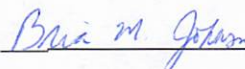
There were no items from executive session.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Lausten moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Stone seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.



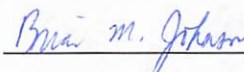
Lexi Lausten, Chair

Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned duly elected and acting Fiscal Officer of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true excerpt from the minutes of a regular meeting, including the roll call votes thereat, of the Board of Township Trustees of said Township held on the 16th day of January 2025, and that said minutes have been duly entered upon the Journal of said Township.

This day, 23rd day of September, 2025.



Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer