

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
BOSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 1988

This special meeting of the Boston Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Trustee Vice Chairman, Randolph Bergdorf. Present: Randolph Bergdorf, Trustee George Fisher, Jr. Absent: Clerk John Krusinski, and Daniel Schneider, Jr., who were excused.

At the beginning of the meeting, both Mr. Bergdorf and Mr. Fisher indicated that the Special Meeting to be held at 8:00 A.M. on Friday, October 7, 1988, to discuss the strategy relative to the police contract was cancelled. It is the Trustees' position that they will approach the Village at the 10:00 A.M. meeting to be held on October 7, 1988, with the proposition that the Township wants to retain the Peninsula Police for police protection with the understanding that specific services would be provided and a specific contract price would be set. In this way, the Trustees will not have to be involved in the day-by-day operations of the police department. Hopefully, this will reduce the friction that has developed between the Village and Township relative to police protection. Also, most importantly, this will improve the services to the township residents.

The meeting was opened for the presentation of Oak Hill. Numerous residents were present as well as Rick Halishak, project manager for Poly Systems. Mr. Halishak indicated that the preliminary set of new plans for the potential resolution of the Oak Hill problems have been completed. He indicated that his company is working on the final specifications and, hopefully, will have the plans ready to submit to the Summit County Engineer by the end of the week.

Mr. Halishak indicated that the project appears to have a projected cost of \$100,000.00 or less. He summarized how his company proposes to stabilize the hill. He reviewed the various materials to be used and the system of stabilization. Basically, the proposal is to place a fabric over the hill. The key factor discussed by the Trustees and the residents was the safety factor. One of the main problems is that there appears to be a deep seated failure in the hill and concerns have been raised as to whether this can be corrected by this method. Mr. Halishak indicated that one of the key factors in resolving the deep seated problems in the hill is to get the moisture from the hill.

The residents inquired as to how long the Summit County Engineer would need to review the plans. He indicated that in his experience, it would take the engineers one and a half to two weeks to review the plans. He can request a meeting with the Engineer's Office once they have made their initial review to discuss the situation further. He acknowledged that he did not request a meeting when the first set of plans submitted by Poly Systems were disapproved.

Mr. Halishak introduced William A. Lackamp, President of Wil-Shir Engineering Co., P.O. Box 143, Aurora, OH 44202, (216) 562-4143. Mr. Lackamp's company produces the fabric materials proposed to stabilize the hill. Mr. Lackamp made a brief presentation.

The citizens expressed concern over the timetable to get this matter resolved. Mr. Halishak indicated that, hopefully, the final specifications would be completed by the end of this week and the complete plans submitted to the Summit County Engineer's Office during the week of October 10, 1988. The Engineer will need approximately two weeks to review the plans. Mr. Halishak will then meet with the Engineer's Office to discuss the matter. If the plans are approved by the Summit County Engineer, the matter must be advertised for bids for the work. After the bids have been accepted, it will take one to one and one half weeks to do the work. Two weeks at the most.

Mr. Halishak will notify the Trustees once the plans have been submitted to the Summit County Engineer in order that the timetable can be started.

Max Ratner indicated that he had reviewed the matter briefly and made contact with the National Park Systems concerning their approval for a work easement. Mr. Ratner reiterated his knowledge of the instability of the valley in general. Two sets of plans were given to Mr. Ratner who is to deliver the same to the Parks Service. The review process for the Park Service will be approximately 60 days for the work easement. An initial study is done locally relative to the ecological effect of the plans. The plans are then sent to Omaha, Nebraska for further review. Again, Mr. Ratner was told that 60 days would be the approval time needed by the Park Service.

Max Ratner further indicated that a Resolution would be needed from the Trustees to request the work easement from the National Park. MOTION by Fisher seconded by Bergdorf that the Township Trustees of Boston Township formally request from the Park Service a work easement for the repair of Oak Hill Road in the area as defined by the drawings submitted by Poly Systems. Voting yes: Bergdorf, Fisher.

Mr. Ratner advised that the Park is familiar with the materials to be used in the repair process. It was stressed by the representative from Poly Systems, Mr. Halishak, that the plans took into consideration the fact that as many trees as possible would be saved and the removal of an excessive amount of trees would not be necessary. The only trees that would have to be removed would be the ones directly in the current road right-of-way of Oak Hill.

Each of the Trustees indicated that they wanted to know from Mr. Halishak when the plans are submitted to the County Engineer's Office. They indicated to the residents that they would do their best to see that the plans are reviewed in a timely manner by the necessary authorities.

MOTION by Bergdorf seconded by Fisher to adjourn. Meeting duly adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK