

Held February 9,

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JOINT MEETING - BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES AND PENINSULA

Peninsula Officers present: Mayor Fisher (Fisher), Solicitor Cole, Clerk Rutledge.

Council Members present: Brunswick, Hansen, Lavicka, Schneider, Wright.

Council Member absent: Teener.

Boston Township Officers absent: Solicitor Pallekins, Clerk Morgan.

Trustees present: Broderick, G. Fisher.

Trustee absent: Schneider, Jr.

Mayor Fisher called the joint meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and asked for a discussion of the police contract.

Broderick said that the trustees had talked it over and approved the budget, but they couldn't vote on the contract because they had not seen it. He understood it was to be for one year. Hansen said that he thought they had agreed to a three year contract. G. Fisher said he thought an agreement had been reached at the last meeting to negotiate a one-year contract. Fisher said that it is tough on the employees to wonder whether or not they would be employed each year.

G. Fisher stated that it wasn't possible to discuss the contract without a copy. Cole stated that he had sent Pallekins a copy of the proposed police contract the past Thursday. Pallekins was to draft the fire contract.

Schneider asked the joint session if it would be possible to re-allocate money within the police budget to purchase radios with repeaters. If the K-55 radar in the budget were replaced with a rebuilt unit, the money saved from that could be added to the new radio cost. The department could lease repeaters for the trunks of the police cars so that the portable radios would work up to a mile away from the cars. This increases the safety of the officer. The cost of buying radios with repeaters is \$25,000. They can be purchased if four payments of \$7,500 are made. The radios are sold by Motorola. G. Fisher said that it is okay to re-allocate the money in the budget. Fisher said a lease such as this is another reason for a three-year contract.

G. Fisher said that the trustees could look at the police contract at their meeting the following Tuesday.

G. Fisher opened the discussion of issuing a levy to finance capital improvements for the fire department. Valuation within the entire Fire District was \$19,024,519 for 1985, but decreased to \$18,934,017 for 1986. According to the plan worked out by Morehouse and Anderson, \$120,000 would be needed per year. The money was calculated with inflation in mind. According to the auditor, a 6.5 mill would be necessary to yield \$120,000. For a house and property with a market value of \$60,000, the 6.5 mill levy would increase an owner's annual taxes by \$116.50. Wright said that the Fire Board would have to do a selling job to get the levy to pass.

Fisher asked how the valuation was divided. The township has \$12,315,381 while the village has \$6,688,938.

Broderick said that the levy has to be filed with the election board by February 19 to be on the May ballot. Lavicka asked if anyone had looked at what will happen if it doesn't pass. Broderick said that this is one way to find out if the people want the Fire Department equipment to be updated. Wright said that the question is what happens to the department if the levy doesn't pass. Dave Morehouse who was also present said that the front line equipment was 10 years old.

Broderick said that something should be done to make the park pay their fair share. He suggested forming a committee and calling 20-20 to do a show on the subject.

G. Fisher said that with interest rates down, the township is having a harder time paying their share of the contract. Broderick added that in four or five years if all their principle had been used, a 40 or 50 mill levy would have to be passed in the township to provide the current level of services.

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Wright said that the council would support the Fire Board should they put a levy on the ballot.

Lavicka said that an alternative suggestion would be to figure out what could be purchased if there were a levy for half as much money. Tom Morehouse who was also present suggested putting some money aside each year to take care of future needs. Mayor Fisher stated that the village funds may go down if Magadore's suit with the budget commission over their share of the local government funds is successful and there may not be any money. Hansen said that he had tried in the past to get state grants, but by the time the literature was obtained, the money was no longer available.

G. Fisher asked whether the issue should go on the May or November ballot. Cole said that the money would be available in 1988 in either case if the levy passes. Wright said that if it is too high, she is afraid that it won't pass. Lavicka wanted to know if the board had worked out an alternative in case the levy doesn't pass. G. Fisher said that levies in other communities haven't been passing recently. Wright suggested the alternative plan to be to put some aside at the end of each year. Wright stated that the Fire Board can sit down and decide what will pass and council can only give them a vote of confidence.

Hansen asked what millage would pass. D. Morehouse said that he thought 6 mills was too high. Fisher said to try the levy and see if it goes. Brunswick said that his \$1 support goes to the Fire Department and that we should go with the levy. He thought that it would pass in the village.

Hansen said that he thought that the school might try to pass a levy. G. Fisher didn't know if there was enough time to get it on the May ballot. Wright said to do what you think will fly. Brunswick said that it would be better to beat the school

D. Morehouse said that he thought that a 4 1/2 levy might pass. Hansen said that you have to keep in mind that it is a big change for a lot of people who are out of work. Fisher said that we ought to go with what the Fire Board decides.

Mayor Fisher reported that he would like to see the World War II plaque brought up to date. There are WWII veterans from the area who were not included. He would also like to see an extension that would include Korean and Vietnam veterans. Wright said that she would hate to see anyone excluded again. Fisher said that it could be designed to have extra space for additions. Resolution #1091-1987 was offered by Wright, seconded by Hansen, that the village in conjunction with the township update and make additions to the World War II Plaque and to include veterans of other foreign conflicts. All vote aye: Broderick, Fisher, Brunswick, Hansen, Lavicka, Schneider, Wright.

Broderick read a letter addressed to the Boston Township Trustees and the Members of the Peninsula Village Council from Rev. Lea Mahan Price requesting a donation of \$150 from each entity to purchase a container to be used within the communities for Mobile Meals. The container should be used to satisfy safety purposes and to satisfy insurance requirements. Deliveries would be made by volunteers. The Hudson Elms Retirement Home would provide the meals at \$2.50 per meal. G. Fisher said that both communities have funds that should be used to help the disabled and elderly. Fisher said that this is Federal Revenue Sharing. G. Fisher said that he did not know if the Trustees could make this purchase. Wright said that the village could purchase the container and bill the township. G. Fisher said that if they could make the purchase, the resolution would be passed the following Tuesday.

Broderick made a motion, seconded by Hansen, to adjourn the joint meeting at 8:17 p.m.

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