

**BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

January 23, 2019

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Amy Anderson, Randy Bergdorf, Bill Clifton; Fiscal Officer Anson; and Legal Counsel Edward Pullekens.

Trustee Anderson called the regular meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

Kimble Contract: Kimble representative Don Johnson addressed the board regarding the garbage contract renewal for Boston Township. Although the board notified Kimble in September 2018 to renew the contract for another year, a response in a five-year contract renewal with significant increases wasn't received until late December. A revised two-year proposal was received in early January. The proposal cited industry-wide outside influences affecting the cost of garbage collecting and processing. The proposed renewal will move from \$15.22 per month/\$3.01 per bag to \$18.66 per month/\$4.50 per bag. The board expressed displeasure at the size of the increase and the short notice given that the increase would go into effect February 1 and there is no time to notify residents or to place the contract out for bid.

MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton, to extend the garbage contract with Kimble for one year at \$18.66 per month/\$4.50 per bag and go out for bid next September.

Voting: Bergdorf, Clifton: Yes. Anderson: No.

[20190123-01]

Police Report. Officer Westfall distributed the report of activity. Items of note: Weather conditions contributed to a large number of crashes and disabled vehicles.

Zoning. Schneider distributed the zoning report for the current period. Items of note:

- The BZA meeting with Mr. Bridle was held last night. Plans are progressing to expand the area and a variance was approved. The board discussed the outstanding violation fees dating from June to November 2018.

MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Bergdorf not to waive the outstanding violation fees of \$7,550.00 owed by Bridle. Voting: All Yes.

[20190123-02]

The fiscal officer was directed to send a statement of outstanding fees to Bridle via certified mail to his three known addresses.

- In response to a question from a business owner on Akron-Cleveland Road, there are no immediate plans to move forward on sewers in that area.
- Bergdorf stated that the county promised the long-awaited update to the zoning map by this week.
- The zoning consultant is working on minor changes to the new chapter for the zoning ordinance.

Approval of Minutes.

- MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton, to approve the minutes of the organizational meeting held on January 9, 2019. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-03]**
- MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 9, 2019. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-04]**
- MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton, to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on January 16, 2019. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-05]**

Boston/Cuyahoga Falls JEDD, Boston/Peninsula JEDD, and Future Planning.

Clifton reported items of note:

- The Cuyahoga Falls JEDD is expected to meet in March. The latest check has been received but the data spreadsheet is delayed due to the changeover of personnel in the CF fiscal office.

Valley Fire District. Anderson reported on the following:

- A large fire happened on Sunday morning in the village on 303. Two firefighters were injured.
- The radio grant proposal was denied.

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- **PURCHASES:** We are investigating the purchase of an Explorer from Hudson. An order for patches and badge was approved. An ATV wheel will be replaced. The jackets approved earlier are in and were demoed to the board. Engine 2814 is still having problems and will need to go in for further repairs.
- There are issues with the pagers which will be addressed; the problem for ATT users has been fixed.
- **TRAINING:** Cern attended fentanyl training. The board will send two people to the week-long FDIC training in Indianapolis in April. McVey and Sebastian attended a swift water training class.
- **OFFICERS:** Lt. Sebastian has taken over the EMS reporting. Lt. Moledor has donated an iPad to the department for use in reported and has graciously denied reimbursement.
- The Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for May 5 and the holiday party is scheduled for February 22.

Road Department. Krusinski reported on the following:

- The board reviewed the road certification document distributed prior to the meeting. MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to accept the system mileage certification as presented by the county. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-06]**
- There were a few problems during the recent snows: a bus was stuck in the turn-around, several vehicles experienced problems on the hills, residents reported problems with driveways and mailboxes. The board agreed that access to mailboxes and snow left in driveways after plowing were the responsibility of the owner. Krusinski stated that he can mitigate some of the problems by angling the plow. His priority has been to keep the two hills clean and salted.
- The garage door opener dated from the 1980s cannot be fixed and will need to be replaced at an approximate cost of \$1,000. MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to approve the purchase of a new opener as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-07]**
- A new load of salt is being delivered. The new employees at Peninsula have been using five times as much salt as he has been using and he will work with them on a more efficient layering of salt.
- The wheels on the backhoe have been replaced.
- Mutual aid with Peninsula has been working well.
- Anderson thanked Dave for all his work during the storms while working short-handed. He has done a marvelous job. She also thanked Tony for all the work the county did in keeping our roads clear.
- Tony from the Summit County Engineer's Office thanked Dave for his work in helping the county clean up tree debris.

Other Business:

- **Fakolt Property:**
 - The lawyer for the property would like to attend an upcoming board meeting to discuss the status of the probate filing.
 - The board agreed to hold off on making any decision with regards to the property. The zoning consultant will be asked to weigh in on options.
- **Boston Community Church:** a representative of the new owner addressed the board and brought in donuts to share. She indicated the owner's willingness to work with the board on being a good community neighbor, including participation in the Memorial Day Parade. The board briefly discussed the history of the property and offered a reminder that the zoning board will need to be consulted for permission before any major changes occur.

Approval of Payroll. MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to approve the payroll as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-08]**

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Approval of Bills. MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to approve the bills as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-09]**

Executive Session:

MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Clifton, to enter executive session to discuss personnel issues. The Fiscal Officer called roll:

Bergdorf: Yes Clifton: Yes Anderson: Yes

MOTION passed. The trustees entered executive session at 7:42 PM. **[20190123-10]**

MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Bergdorf, to enter regular session. The Fiscal Officer called roll:

Bergdorf: Yes Clifton: Yes Anderson: Yes

MOTION passed. The trustees reconvened at 7:49 PM with no action taken during the session. **[20190123-11]**

PERSONNEL: The board interviewed three very well qualified candidates and expressed thanks to them for their participation. MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to hire Dan Schneider, Jr as the road department assistant at \$18/hour to start as soon as possible. Voting: All Yes. **[20190123-12]**

MOTION by Clifton to adjourn. Meeting duly adjourned at 7:55 PM.

CHAIR

CLERK