

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

**October 24, 2018**

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

Trustee Bergdorf called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

**Police Report.** Officer Westfall distributed the report. Items of note:

- The period saw several welfare and vehicle checks.
- Large trucks will be traveling down Riverview to Zielenski Court for tree removal.

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

- He met with Mr. Bridle regarding compliance and also met with the BZA regarding the Bridle situation.
- Crown Castle will be replacing new antennas on the Boston Mills tower.

Anderson arrived at 6:15 PM.

**Correspondence.**

- Anderson announced that long-time resident Jeanette Falkolt passed away recently and left her estate to the Township. She was buried quietly on Monday. A brief memorial service will be held on November 14 at 5:30 PM at Cedar Grove Cemetery. The board signed off on the paperwork at the meeting to accept the executor.
- Anderson reported that she received a thank you letter from the people who put on the Towpath Marathon for working with them to schedule the race. This was their last year for the Towpath since they have been refused future use by the park.

**Approval of Minutes.**

- MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 10, 2018 as amended. Voting: All Yes. **[20181024-01]**

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

Clifton discussed the proposal for bringing water and sewer to the Cuyahoga Falls JEDD area. The cost for the preliminary engineer's report for the first half of the water line will be \$5,000 for the Township and \$23,000 for Cuyahoga Falls. Before he recommends making the commitment, he will discuss the proposal with our consultant.

Anderson expressed thanks to John Stiegel, fiscal officer at Peninsula, for his work. He was a good friend and we'll miss his help.

**Valley Fire District.** Anderson reported on the following:

- The department will participate in the usual Trick or Treat event in front of the Boston Townhall from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Halloween because there will be no party at the former middle school this year.
- The Community Christmas Party will be held in the Library on December 5 and will be co-hosted by the Police Department as usual.
- We are finalizing two grants with a grantwriting service for a tanker and gear.
- A new phone system has been purchased but has not been installed yet.
- We received a Bureau of Workers' Comp grant to purchase a new washer/extractor and gear.
- The board authorized the purchase of two blitz water cannons and two nozzles for \$5500.
- Both engines are currently in for repair at the same time with a preliminary cost of \$20,000. We have borrowed an engine from Bath in the meantime.
- Nick Sternad has been added to Swift Water Training certification.
- The Open House for Water Rescue Operations will be held at Happy Days on November 15.
- The policy manual update will be reviewed at a special meeting held on October 25 at 5:30 PM.

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**Road Department.**

Anson reported on the purchase of the new truck and repair plan.

- The small truck will be listed on the GovDeals website this week. In order to list the big plow on the site, a commitment on the repair of the big truck is needed. The funds for the repair could be paid from the general fund. MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Clifton, to approve the repairs listed at the last meeting to the big truck, estimated at \$15,000 from the general fund. Voting: All Yes. **[20181024-02]**
- The report on the purchasing program for the truck was distributed at the meeting based on information from peers, local government services, and the Ohio Procurement office and reviewed by our legal counsel. Anson stated that we can secure a seven-year loan from Huntington Bank or we could purchase from the general fund and save the estimated \$10,000 in interest. MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Clifton, to approve the purchase of the truck from the general fund. Voting: All Yes. **[20181024-03]**

The board reviewed the letter from Mr. Bridle which was received shortly before the meeting regarding the purchase of a section of Barlow Road. Not enough information was available to make a decision and the board tabled the discussion. Clifton will relay the information to Bridle.

Clifton asked the board if discussions should continue with Peninsula regarding the 2019 grant for the joint improvement of Stine Road. The board agreed that more information on the project is helpful. Anderson is continuing discussions with Senator Portman's office on community needs. Krusinski will explore options on correcting dips and drainage on Stine.

Krusinski distributed the report for the period. Items of note:

- Patching was done on Hines Hill, Scobie, Oakhill, Stine and Main Street.
- Cleanup from debris due to recent storm damage from heavy rains and wind and wood encroaching on sides of roads.
- If the weather permits and the equipment is ready, road sealing using will be done next week. Supplies have been purchased.
- Leaf pickup will be starting soon. The board confirmed the continue the cooperative work with the Peninsula Road Department, including joint leaf pickup.

**Other Business:** Anderson stated the boxes are being distributed to collect food for the local Share-A-Christmas boxes. The Christmas Bazaar will have 40 to 45 vendors for the December 1 show. This is the fourth year of the show. Bergdorf stated that the annual Christmas Tree Raffle items are due by Thanksgiving.

**Approval of Payroll:** Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to approve the payroll as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20181024-04]**

**Approval of Bills:** Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Clifton to approve the bills as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20181024-05]**

**Executive Session:**

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Clifton, to enter executive session to discuss litigation. The Fiscal Officer called roll:

Bergdorf: Yes                      Clifton: Yes                      Anderson: Yes

Motion passed. The trustees entered executive session at 6:51 PM. **[20181024-06]**

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

Bergdorf: Yes                      Clifton: Yes                      Anderson: Yes

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Motion passed. The trustees reconvened at 7:15 PM with no action taken during the session. **[20181024-07]**

**MOTION** by Clifton, seconded by Bergdorf to adjourn. Voting: All Yes. Meeting duly adjourned at 7:29 PM. **[20181024-08]**

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