

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

October 25, 2017

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Randy Bergdorf, Amy Anderson, Jerry Ritch; Fiscal Officer Catherine Anson, and Legal Counsel Edward C. Pullekins.

Trustee Chairperson Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Police Protection Report. Officer Westfall distributed the report of police activity. Items of note:

- In response to a resident's complaint, attention was given to illegal parking on Columbia Road.
- Police will be patrolling the Boston cemetery at night through Halloween.
- Sentencing for the trespassers arrested at the Boston cemetery will occur next Monday.

Zoning. Bergdorf reported on the following:

- MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to hold a public hearing on the two minor changes to the zoning code of regulations on November 8 [NOTE: the date was changed after the meeting to November 22 due to the time required to post a public notice.] Voting: All Yes. **[20171025-01]**
- Yesterday's zoning hearing was disappointing in that the scheduled applicant failed to show despite a reminder from Zoning Inspector Schneider.
- Good communication continues with Schneider with a number of zoning tasks handled this month such as a letter issued to remove a structure and Kendall Park new house paperwork issued.
- The fee schedule was distributed to the board for review.
- Anderson reported that problems continue with the Bridle property. A representative from the county engineer's office will investigate the encroachment on the right of way.
- A revised zoning fee schedule will be reviewed by several people and both zoning committees before the final schedule is issued.

Correspondences.

- The first invoice of a new series was received from Northstar Planning with the indication of approval. The board confirmed with the new work had been agreed upon.
- The board confirmed that a presentation on the new Open Checkbook site was not needed.

Approval of Minutes.

- MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes of October 11, 2017. Voting: All Yes. **[20171025-02]**

Township Buildings and Grounds. Bergdorf reported two new furnaces and the HVAC system has been updated. The next meeting is scheduled for November 16.

Boston/Cuyahoga Falls JEDD and Future Planning. No checks/reports have been received for this month. Ritch reported that we have collected more funds compared to where we were at this time last year.

Boston/Peninsula JEDD and Future Planning. No checks/reports have been received for this month. Ritch reported that we have collected more funds compared to where we were at this time last year.

Valley Fire District Update. Anderson reported:

- A new battery-operated chainsaw was approved for purchase and was used within days of service.
- Used radios were purchased from Copley as part of the required radio upgrade program.

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- We continue to apply for grants.
- Anson is assisting on the policy manual revision.
- A renewal, not a replacement levy, is on the ballot this November. The board kept to a renewal for the benefit of home owners to continue to participate in the homestead exemption.

Road Department. Road Superintendent Adams distributed the report of activity for previous period. Items of note:

- 28 cubic yards of leaves have been picked up to date. This is a record for this early in the season.
- The repair on the truck came in under budget.
- Keenan and West Barlow are the two roads recommended for resurfacing to be included in the county's bundled contract. Total estimated price (based on 2017 costs) is \$22,109.
- He confirmed that the tree trimmings chipper can be in use year-round.
- Anderson stated that the signs on Morris and Woodland look nice.

Other Business.

- **Trash Contract:** Pullekens distributed a rough draft of the bid notice; he received feedback (including adding information on the Simple Recycling Program) and will update the last bid. The bid will be advertised twice. The targeted due date for opening bids is December 13.
- **Opioid Agreement:** Anderson attended the meeting to discuss the county's class action suit against opioid manufactures to recoup the cost associated with opioid epidemic. The Valley Fire District has also signed off on the agreement. MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to join Summit County in the opioid litigation. Voting: All Yes. [20171025-03]
- **December Bazaar:** Anderson reported that room is still available for table space with the addition of the Quarry Room available for use.
- **County Fiscal Officer Meeting:** Ritch will meet a representative from the County Fiscal Office on November 1 to discuss the increase in home assessments.
- **Share a Christmas:** Bergdorf announced that Anderson will head up the program again this year. We have sponsored this program for 20 years to help local residents in need with donations of food, clothing (hats, scarves), and gifts. The Catholic church has a Giving Tree. The Methodist church will collect food and clothing. Woodridge will collect food. Collections boxes will be available at Terry Lumber and the library. Packages will be delivered by the Valley Fire District on December 16.
- **Salt:** The salt contract with Peninsula has been signed. Anderson reported that local sources have offered to be of assistance if we run out of salt.

Appointments. None

Appropriations. Reallocation.

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	FROM	TO
1000-330-323-0000	Highways-Repairs & Maintenance-Salt	(2,700.00)	
1000-120-323-0000	Repairs & Maintenance		(2,700.00)

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the reallocations as listed.

Voting: All Yes.

[20171025-04]

Purchase Orders. Super Blanket.

#	ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	AMOUNT
44-2017	1000-120-323-0000	Repairs & Maintenance	2700.00

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to the purchase orders as listed. Voting: All Yes.

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Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve the payroll as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20171025-06]**

Approval of Bills: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve the payroll as presented. Voting: All Yes. **[20171025-07]**

Executive Session:
Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to enter executive session to discuss personnel issues. The Fiscal Officer called roll:

Bergdorf: Yes Ritch: Yes Anderson: Yes

Motion passed. The trustees entered executive session at 7:10 PM. **[20171025-08]**

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

Bergdorf: Yes Ritch: Yes Anderson: Yes

Motion passed. The trustees reconvened at 7:53 PM with no action taken during the session. **[20171025-09]**

MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Anderson to adjourn. Voting: All Yes. Meeting duly adjourned at 7:54 PM. **[20171025-10]**

CHAIRMAN

CLERK