

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

May 24, 2017

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Randy Bergdorf, Amy Anderson, Jerry Ritch, and legal counsel, Edward C. Pulekins. Trustee Chairperson Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Fiscal Officer Joanne Noragon and Deputy Fiscal Officer, Catherine Anson, were not present for the meeting. Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to have legal counsel, Edward C. Pulekins take the minutes of the meeting. All Voting: Yes. **[2017-0524-01]**.

Resignation of Fiscal Officer, Joanne Noragon. Fiscal Officer, Joanne Noragon forwarded a letter of resignation to the Trustees dated May 17, 2107 indicating that she was resigning her position of the Boston Township Fiscal office effective May 17, 2017 due to health issues. Upon motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, the trustees moved to accept the resignation of Joanne Noragon as Fiscal Officer of Boston Township. All Voting; Yes. **[2017-0524-02]**. The vacancy will be advertised in *The Community News*. Legal Counsel, Ed Pulekins, will notify the Summit County Board of Elections in regard to the resignation of Joanne Noragon.

The Trustees discussed the filling of the vacancy in the Fiscal Officer elected position. Per Ohio Revised Code, § 503.24-Vacancy in township office, if there is vacancy in a township office of a person chosen to any township office at the regular election...the board of township trustees shall appoint a person having the qualifications of an elector to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term or until a successor is elected. The position is to be filled within 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy. Due to the fact that the vacancy occurred more than 40 days before the next general election the position of Fiscal Office a successor shall be chosen at the election to fill the unexpired term of Joanne Noragon, inasmuch as her term does not expire within one year from the day of the election.

Police Protection Report. Officer Wesfall updated the Trustees in regard to the recent activity of the department in the township. Trustee Anderson reported that the barricade issue in the Oak Hill-Everett Road area has been resolved.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Doug Mayer was not present at the meeting. A written summary of his activities was presented and reviewed by the Trustees. Trustee Bergdorf reported that planner Mark Majewski will prepare a proposal for consideration by the trustees in regard to changes that may be considered in regard to the Route 9 zoning corridor. Trustee Bergdorf will follow thru on the matter. Trustee Anderson indicated that the issue in regard to the building being constructed at 5079 Akron-Cleveland Road has not been resolved. In fact more construction is taking place. Zoning Inspector Doug Anderson will again be directed to review the matter and take any necessary actions to insure that the Boston Township Zoning regulations are being followed.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the March 22, 2017 regular meeting of the Trustees that were presented. Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to accept the minutes as presented. All Voting: Yes. **[2017-0524-03]**. The Trustees will review with the Deputy Clerk the status of any minutes that have not been presented to the Trustees for approval.

Correspondences. The correspondences received by the Trustees were reviewed. It was noted that Donna Skoda, Summit County Health District, will be attending the next meeting of the Trustees.

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustee Bergdorf indicated that the temporary no parking signs have been installed. Trustee Bergdorf expressed thanks to Police

Chief Varga for expediting procurement of the signs. The Trustees discussed various issues in regard to the use of the parking lots. No changes in the current policy were made. Trustee Bergdorf indicated that the annual election of officers of the Boston Township Hall Committee have taken place. Judy Lahoski will remain as president for 6 months. Trustee Bergdorf further reported that Dave Shankland is retiring. Trustee Bergdorf reported that repairs to the wood siding of the school building will be done later this summer. Finally, the Boston Township Hall Committee has retained the services of Howard Hanna Reality-Mauren Downing in regard to the possible rental of the Quarry Room.

Boston/Cuyahoga Falls JEDD and Future Planning. Trustee Jerry Ritch indicated that the Cuyahoga Falls officials indicated that there are no prospects at this time to obtain funds to finance infrastructure improvements in the JEDD. The Tax Collection report received from Cuyahoga Falls in regard to the JEDD receipts was reviewed.

Boston/Peninsula JEDD and Future Planning: No report was received for review. The JEDD is looking into unreported employees who work on NPS properties that are leased.

Valley Fire District Update. Trustee Anderson reviewed the number of recent calls in April responded to by the department. She also reported that the Valley Fire District Board is working on a new dispatch contract; that new new/updated radios will be in service within the next few weeks; that an agreement is being drawn up with The Great Lakes Construction Co. in regard to steps to alleviate the effects of the closure of the Boston Mills Road Bridge over the Ohio Turnpike and the Olde 8 Bridge over the Ohio Turnpike. Trustee Anderson will keep everyone informed.

Road Department. The township road superintendent, Ron Adams, presented a written report to the trustees in regard to work completed and/or in progress. The work at the cemetery was reviewed—work on cleaning the headstones will proceed—with care taken in regard to the sandstone monuments.

Future Planning. No discussion.

Other Business: **OHIOCHECKBOOK.com**—The Trustees discussed the possible participation of Boston Township in the OHIOCHECKBOOK program. The OhioCheckbook.com is a first-of-its-kind government transparency website launched by the Ohio Treasurer's office. The Trustees reviewed the program and the FAQ's sheet prepared the Ohio Treasurer's office. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Bergdorf to approve and authorize the participation by Boston Township in the program. All Voting: YES [2017-0524-04].

Bank Reconciliation	None
Appointments:	None
Appropriations:	None
Reallocations:	None
Advances:	None
Transfers:	None
Purchase Orders:	None

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve the payroll as presented. All voting: YES [2017-0524-05].

Approval of Payment of Bills: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Jerry to pay the bills as presented; All Voting: YES [2017-0524-06].

Executive Session: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Voting: Anderson: Yes; Bergdorf: Yes and Ritch: Yes. [2017-0524-07]. Trustees went into executive session at 8:00 PM, and returned to regular session at 8:30 PM. The Trustees announced that no actions were taken in executive session.

MOTION by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned at 8:30 PM. [2017-0524-08].

CHAIRMAN

CLERK