

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

February 22, 2017

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Trustees Amy Anderson, Randy Bergdorf and Jerry Ritch; Fiscal Officer Joanne Noragon; and Legal Counsel Ed Pullekens. Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Trustee Anderson expressed condolences to County Engineer representative Tony Chiancone on the passing of his wife, and Lisa Riedle, wife of Fire Chief Charlie Riedle, on the passing of her mother.

Police Protection Report: Officer Westfall reported on the irrational parking on Boston Mills Road near Blue Hen Falls. Traffic was reduced to one lane; cars could not get through. Valley Fire squad and grass fire trucks had to block legally parked cars in order to place the equipment. The Trustees are requesting Engineering Assistance. **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch to request the permanent placement of no parking signs on Boston Mills Road, from Riverview Road to 2285 Boston Mills Road. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-01]**

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mayer was not present. Trustee Bergdorf reported Mark Majewski will attend the March 14th Zoning Commission meeting. Kamper City recommendations have gone to the BZA and the hearing is in March.

Correspondence: The Fiscal Officer reviewed the correspondence since the last meeting.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2017 regular meeting. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-02]**

Township Buildings and Grounds: Trustee Bergdorf reported the next meeting of the Hall Committee is March 16th. The parking lot meeting resulted in a proposed sign.

Boston/Cuyahoga JEDD and Future Planning: No report.

Boston/Peninsula JEDD: Trustee Ritch reported Brian Thunburg, RITA representative, indicates it will be a long process with Representative Tim Ryan to lower the threshold for the number of park employees in a location for the mandatory collection of income taxes.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported the district has applied for two grants. The new squad is in. There was a training with Metro Hospital at the Boston Mills Ski Run. The operating levy will be on the November ballot; and they are still updating rules and regulations.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Ron Adams reported the most excitement was bringing the new leaf blower up to snuff and trying it out one sunny day.

Trustee Anderson reported extreme frustration in following up on No Engine Brake signs. ODOT told her they are not put on interstate highways. She asked anyone seeing such a sign on an interstate highway to let her know.

She further reported Paul Stoeher said the park did not instigate the 25 mph speed limit on township and village roads in the park. Investigating further, Frank LaRose told her that bikers, bike clubs and runners had testified for the limit, but he won't release the names. There has been no input solicited from the communities affected.

Other Business: The Fiscal Officer reported that much of the Boy Scout camp was returned to taxable status in error. However, all the current tax bills have a lower effective township police levy rate because the budget office believed that the township's taxable value was increased by more than a quarter million

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dollars. Peg Moirano, of the tax settlement department, has yet to get back to explain how the error will be corrected.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve entering into a memorandum of understanding with SAWSMA to receive a \$707 grant from ReWorks . Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-03]**

Advances: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the repayment advance of \$407.57 from the Police Fund to the General Fund. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-04]**

Approval of Payroll: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the current payroll. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-05]**

Approval for Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to pay the current bills. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-06]**

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

Bergdorf	Yes
Ritch	Yes
Anderson	Yes

Motion passed. **[2017-0222-07]**

The trustees entered executive session at 7:10 p.m.

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

Bergdorf	Yes
Ritch	Yes
Anderson	Yes

Motion passed. **[2017-0222-08]**

The trustees reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

The Trustees announced discussing the poor performance of Zoning Inspector Mayer. Trustee Bergdorf will meet with him.

The Trustees announced resolution of wording of the parking lot sign.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve ordering signs worded "Parking for Boston Twp. Hall Tenants and Guests Only! All Others May be Towed". Voting YES: Bergdorf and Ritch. Voting NO: Anderson. Motion passed. **[2017-0222-09]**

Motion Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2017-0222-10]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER