

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

April 13, 2016

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

Trustee Anderson opened the meeting by expressing condolences to the family of Joseph Orahoske, Jr. Mr. Orahoske was a zoning board member for ten years. He leaves his wife, Nancy, and children Jason and Sarah.

Police Protection Report: Trustee Anderson expressed the displeasure of the township trustees over the number of calls the Peninsula Police have responded to on Stanford Road. This road has been closed for several years; any activity past the dedicated road that remains is the park's responsibility to respond to. She understands Peninsula is obligated to respond according to Mutual Aid agreements; however, the park is not paying for the substantial cost of this mutual aid. She spoke with Paul Stoehr, Assistant Park Director, who said he would explore some options. Trustee Ritch added that he thought Peninsula should not charge this time against Boston Township, as the township does not authorize these responses.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mayer reported

- He has an appointment on Friday with Mr. Bridle to tell him how to bring his application forward. He was reminded of Mr. Bridle's violations and told again to issue citations.
- Mr. Pruitt says he has removed the two vehicles recently added to his property. The trustees reminded Mr. Mayer that the township has an injunction against the property owner and he should begin the removal of the vehicles with confirmed identities.
- Paul Baker has the paperwork for the Goebelt application. Trustee Bergdorf read from his phone texts that Mr. Baker left the paperwork on the zoning office desk.

Mr. Pullekens reported he has been in contact with the attorney for the Jackson family concerning the property at 135 Kendall Park. He told the attorney the property is of value to the family and they should take action to clean it up and not lose its value as an asset of the estate. The attorney will follow up with the Jackson children and report back to Ed.

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

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2016 regular meeting. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2016-0413-01]**

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2016 special meeting. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2016-0413-02]**

Township Buildings and Grounds: No report.

Boston/Cuyahoga JEDD and Future Planning: Trustee Ritch reported talking with Mike Weant, who will follow up on rumors about construction on the potential hospital site. Mr. Weant also said he currently sees no funding opportunities available.

Boston/Peninsula JEDD: No report.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported the district responded to thirty two calls in March; twenty in Boston Heights, five in Boston Township, two in Peninsula and five Mutual Aid. They will begin interviews soon for the open Lieutenant position.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Ron Adams reported

- A dead tree fell and left a small hole for repair in the salt shed roof.
- Stop sign replacement is complete and other signs previously authorized are up or ready for installation. He was told to finish replacing the residential road signs along Akron Cleveland road for the cost of about \$350.00.
- He reminded residents brush pickup begins the first Monday of the month; please, no trash or other debris.

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Other Business: The Fiscal Officer notified the trustees that the first half Police Fund income tax collection will have enough money to repay the advances so far this year from the General Fund, and about ten thousand dollars remaining toward the May police contract payment. Over the course of this year there will be enough money in the Police Fund to pay the contractual amount in full twice, the months we collect annexation revenue monies from Cuyahoga Falls. It is now necessary to open an appropriation account in the General Fund for police expense, and reallocate some General Fund monies to pay the difference.

Advances: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the advance of \$20,177.57 from the General Fund to Police Protection. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

[2016-0413-03]

Bank Reconciliation: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the current bank reconciliation. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

[2016-0413-04]

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the current payroll. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

[2016-0413-05]

Approval for Payment of Bills: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to pay the bills prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

[2016-0416-06]

Business District Presentation by Mark Majewski: Mr. Majewski gave a presentation to the trustees and an audience of seventeen of his current findings for development of the Business District. He showed the state of infrastructure, and pointed out several blocks of property in the southern end of the corridor have passed into the same ownership, showing investors expect development to occur. He pointed out the many waterways, especially in the southern end, could be interesting obstacles to overcome. He suggested having a single zoning use for the 1.7 mile corridor might be prohibitive, and he will return with suggestions for sub categories of zoning.

Executive Session: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Mayer was requested to stay. All voting, YES. Motion passed.

[2016-0416-07]

The trustees entered executive session at 7:55 p.m. The trustees reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

The trustees reported the session was spent discussing with Mr. Mayer their overall dissatisfaction with his job performance as zoning inspector over the last two years. Mr. Mayer acknowledged the trustees had cause for disappointment and explained how he would proceed going forward.

To end the session with Mr. Mayer, Trustee Anderson asked him if he understood the township policy of no use of personal cell phones during working hours. Mr. Mayer acknowledged he understood no personal cell phones can be used during working hours and that village business cannot be conducted on township time.

Motion Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned.

[2016-0416-08]

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER