

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

October 8, 2014

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

The trustees expressed their condolences to George Fisher, our longest serving trustee, and the fisher family on the passing on October 3rd of Flo Fisher.

Police Protection Report: Chief Varga said there would be an officer patrolling the cemetery all night during the Halloween season.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mayer was absent. Trustee Anderson gave a brief report from his notes; he has issued a permit for the Boston Mills open house based on last year's correspondence he obtained from Boston Mills. Zoning Secretary Lida Flowers-Brandt said she and Mr. Mayer are sorting through records and realize they have none of Mr. Sulzer's correspondence or tower inspections. Mr. Mayer reported to Trustee Anderson the tower inspections can be obtained from the Fiscal Officer. The Fiscal Officer in turn explained having this conversation with Mr. Mayer; in that office's duties the zoning inspections are billing and payment records. Some have already been destroyed; the rest are available by searching the current record boxes.

Ms. Flowers-Brandt also reported she had introduced herself to Mr. Bridle. On that subject, the Fiscal Officer reported Mr. Bridle's business remains unregistered as a JEDD business and the Cuyahoga Falls compliance officer is seeking an opinion on another police force delivering a subpoena in Hudson.

Correspondence: The Fiscal Officer reviewed the correspondence since the last meeting, the township compliance with the request of the Paul D. Sergi Foundation to provide a copy of our IRS Tax-Exempt Determination letter. This determination may be obtained from the IRS for a fee. Alternatively, the Foundation might accept a "governmental information letter" from the IRS, which costs nothing. This letter was requested on October 3rd, and will be received in ten to fourteen days. The Fiscal Officer has no phone number to ask the administrative assistant to Mr. Sergi if the foundation accepts this letter in lieu of an IRS Tax-Exempt Determination letter. Ms. Anderson will provide the phone number.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Anderson did not bring the minutes of the September 24th meeting to a vote, stating the minutes do not reflect what she actually said about the auditor. The Fiscal Officer requested Ms. Anderson submit what she actually said about the auditor in writing, for inclusion, but this is not received, to date.

Township Buildings and Grounds: No report.

Boston/Cuyahoga JEDD and Future Planning: Trustee Ritch reported Mike Weant is still working to develop a corridor assessment spreadsheet, and researching CDBG funding that may be available. He is still waiting for Hudson's report on water service. The Don-El Motel is being pressured by the EPA and the Health Department and wishes the township could help.

Boston/Peninsula JEDD: The Fiscal Officer distributed a report showing six months of collections are about 25% short of half her annual projection. However, she has little confidence in the CCA statement of collections. Peninsula Council Member Dan Schneider was present and said Council had a presentation from RITA, but he does not know when Council might decide to make a collection agency change.

Valley Fire District: No report.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Tesmer reported they are getting equipment ready for winter. Trustee Anderson reported the county has assessed the water issue at the end of Geoppert Road and will meet with Cuyahoga Falls concerning run off from their Hidden Lakes and Boulder developments. She expects to receive Whaley Road engineering report soon.

Trustee Anderson reported the Park has changed its road assistance program; it now will open the fund pool only to four communities, Boston, Boston Heights, Peninsula and Valley View. The funds will be available for all road maintenance, including plowing, ditching and mowing.

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

October 8, 2014

Other Business: The Fiscal Officer reported the Park has modified the Stanford Road Plowing contract to end effective March, 2015. They intend to reissue a new, simpler contract.

The township has received a \$2,000.00 donation from the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Conservancy. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to accept the donation, with thanks to the Conservancy. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-01]**

Trustee Anderson asked the Share-A-Christmas be made a township program, by resolution. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, that Share-A-Christmas be made an official program of the township. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-02]**

Trustee Anderson recognized Mr. Paul Hamerly, resident of 5895 Main Street, and asked him to open his discussion of the property line and fence issue with his property and the Boston Cemetery. The cemetery fence cuts across his property, as does the entrance to the cemetery. Previous efforts to make a correction have dwindled away. Mr. Hamerly says he is concerned about issues of liability. After a short discussion Mr. Hamerly was asked to have his attorney contact Mr. Pullekens to work out a solution.

Reallocation: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the reallocation of \$300.00 from 2031-330-314 (Tax Collection Fees) to 2031-330-353 (Natural Gas), and \$500.00 from 2031-330-420 (Operating Supplies) to 2031-330-351 (Electricity). Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-03]**

Purchase Orders: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve SBC 41-2014, 2031-330-353, Natural Gas and SBC 43-2014, 2031-330-351, Electricity. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-04]**

Bank Reconciliation: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the to approve the September bank reconciliation. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-05]**

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-06]**

Approval for Payment of Bills: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Anderson, to pay the bills prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-07]**

Executive Session: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to enter executive session to discuss legal issues. All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2014-1008-08]**

The Trustees entered Executive Session at 7:30 pm. The Trustees reconvened at 8:00 pm.

The Trustees announced no action taken.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded Anderson, to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2014-1008-09]**

CO-CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER