

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

January 9, 2013

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 6:40 P.M.

Nick Kostandaras: Our Summit County Council representative appeared to thank the Township for supporting him. In his district he lost only Boston Heights. He came to the meeting to report he will take more responsibility for the turnpike noise abatement issue. He reported Wetmore remains on Council's April agenda. He knows Cuyahoga Falls is discussing annexing the road. In response to Mr. Bergdorf's question, Mr. Kostandaras said he will ask the County Engineer's office why the County does not annex the road.

Police Protection Report: Trustee Ritch reported snow boards stolen at Boston Mills, and a large vehicle pile up at Truxell and Akron Cleveland Roads as a result of the morning's surprise ice storm.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sulzer was not present. There is no change in zoning status from last week except Mr. Bergdorf has not contacted Mr. Pruitt concerning his property.

The Trustees addressed the proposed zoning changes recommended by the Boston Township Zoning Commission that were reviewed and discussed at the public hearing held on January 9, 2013. The area (parcels) proposed for rezoning to the Economic Activity District contains most of the Boston Township land area. This area is located within the National Park, the Summit County Metro Parks, and also encompasses the Boy Scout Camp, property owned by Summit County, Ohio, and property owned by Boston Mills Ski Resort, Inc. The property to be rezoned is currently zoned as either Residential or Village Residential. Attached are the maps setting forth the areas (parcels) that re proposed to be rezoned.

After review and discussion, **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to adopt the proposed amendment to the Boston Township Zoning Resolution to change the use classification to the properties as set forth in the zoning map changes recommended by the Boston Township Zoning Commission. Said properties are to become part of and subject to the Economic Activity District (E.A. District)-Chapter 15 regulations as set forth in the Boston Township Zoning Resolution. Voting by roll call as follows: Anderson-Yes; Bergdorf-Yes, and Ritch-Yes. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-01]**

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

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the December 12, 2012 regular meeting submitted by the Fiscal Officer. **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-02]**

The trustees reviewed the minutes of the December 26, 2012 regular meeting submitted by the Fiscal Officer. **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-03]**

Township Buildings and Grounds: Trustee Ritch asked Mr. Mayer, who reported the wall is repaired and finished.

There was discussion of the need to have walk ways into the building cleared in winter. There was a problem with ice in the morning, and an ice/snow pack covering the pad into the lower level door during the first week of this month. Trustee Ritch said there was an informal agreement with the Hall Committee for the Hall Committee to respond when the Township Road Department is unable. Ms. Noragon requested the agreement be made into a plan.

Trustee Anderson expressed thanks to Mr. Mayer for taking the initiative to use township equipment and supplies to salt and clear Truxell Road in order for Valley Fire, the Park Rangers and the Peninsula Police to respond to a multi car/school bus ice induced pile up at Truxell and Akron Cleveland Roads.

Future Planning and JEDD: Trustee Ritch had little to report on the sewer, but noted Mike Wendt is the new director of the Department of Environmental Services. Mike Wendt has an appointment January 22nd with Mr. DiMassi and Ms. Truby to establish Cuyahoga Falls funding

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intentions. If no commitment can be obtained from Cuyahoga Falls the proposal will be presented to the county. If they will not commit, the sewer proposal is dead.

The CCA has responded to the request for information concerning Miles Auto, saying any information the CCA obtained would not be disclosed. Miles Auto has missed the filing deadline for the Boston Township JEDD tax return for 2011.

Pursuant to the letter to the trustees from Susan Truby stating the financing of the Western Reserve Hospital project is proceeding with HUD, **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the extension of the First Amendment to the Boston Township-City of Cuyahoga Falls JEDD Agreement approved in September 2011 for one year. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-04]**

Valley Fire District: No report

Road Department: Assistant Road Superintendent Mayer reported on equipment maintenance issues. The big truck's hydraulic lift was redone. The back hoe lost both brakes, and Akron Tractor replaced the brake line.

Other Business: Trustee Ritch reported Chet Armstrong from the Turnpike Commission said ODOT will become more proactive in the turnpike issue.

Fiscal Officer Noragon reported the annual financial reports are available for review and asked Mr. Pullekens to place the public notice advertisement.

Permanent Appropriations: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the appropriation of \$5,000.00 to 2181-130-599, Zoning, Other Expense. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-05]**

Purchase Orders: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve Then and Now Purchase Orders 1-2013 through 8-2013 and Super Blanket Certificates 1-2013 through 30-2013. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-06]**

Bank Reconciliation: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the December bank reconciliation prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-07]**

Approval of Payroll: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-08]**

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. **[2013-0109-09]**

Executive Session: **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters. All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-10]**

The Trustees entered Executive Session at 7:25 pm. The Trustees reconvened at 7:35 pm.

The trustees reported discussing the pay of all employees, and board member stipends. **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch to make no change to board member stipends or to zoning personnel salaries. All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2013-0109-11]**

Motion by Anderson seconded by Ritch to increase the Road Department hourly wages by three percent effective in the current pay period. All voting, YES. Motion passed **[2013-0109-13]**

The rate for Tim Tesmer will increase 73 cents to \$25.11 per hour; the rate for Doug Mayer will increase 53 cents to \$18.21 per hour.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2013-0109-14]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER