

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

July 27, 2011

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.

Organized Events: Melissa Sutton, together with the local race director of the National Diabetes Association's Tour de Cure race event were at the meeting by invitation to explain how the 2012 event could be improved over the 2011 event. The permit stipulates removal of all trash at the conclusion of the event; however, the Township road department removed abandoned directional signage the following Tuesday. Ms. Sutton was notified Monday morning of the location of the signage. The race director explained they are a volunteer organization; volunteers become tired after a long day. They offered the same prognosis for a 2012 event. Their inability to conceive of finding more reliable volunteers, together with Ms. Sutton's admission they have been prodded over and over the last three years to secure a permit caused the Trustees to inform them the 2012 Tour de Cure route would not include Boston Township roads.

Police Protection Report: Peninsula Officer Phillips distributed a report of July police activity that indicated routine activity for the month. The Trustees discussed the posted cemetery regulations with him. By statute the regulations can be enforced by authorized cemetery personnel and failure of a violator to comply is trespass, or more, and can be enforced by the police. Trustee Anderson also reported attending the Jarod M. Dean memorial highway dedication and indicated she was disappointed no one attended to represent Peninsula.

Zoning: Inspector Sulzer distributed a report highlighting activity in the last two weeks. He indicated working with the Health Department concerning the septic system at Akron Cleveland and Geoppert Roads; discussing his Health Department order with Mr. Pruitt, monitoring the Bencin, Pro-Tree and Pruitt properties.

Both Mr. Sulzer and Mr. Mayer reported being contacted by both Appalachian Outfitters and representatives of the Korba property, immediately west of Appalachian Outfitters. The Korba property is residential; both parties want to know if it can be included in the commercial district so Appalachian can be expanded. They were advised to bring an application for variance to the zoning commissions.

Mr. Mayer reported Mr. Excavator employees are removing unauthorized dirt from the Bencin/All Ohio property. He notified Mr. Excavator of the legal consequences of continuing and he and Mr. Tesmer met with Mr. Malbin at the property to reiterate the property must be restored according to the court authorized plan. County representatives also came to the property and reiterated more dirt must be brought in and approved, and not taken from other parts of the property. In addition, silt must be removed from the road right of way and a silt fence installed. It was noted the project is past the completion date.

Correspondence: The Fiscal Officer reviewed correspondence received since the last meeting. Trustee Anderson discussed the letter she received from the National Park Service stating the Park does not and will not restrict mosquito spraying on private property. She will give copies of the letter to residents of Main Street.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the July 13,, 2011 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. **[2011-0727-01]**

Boston Township Bicentennial: Trustee Bergdorf reported there was a wrap up meeting on July 20th at the Winking Lizard to review the event and settle up final accounts. The Fiscal Officer distributed the event's financial report and noted that there may be more expense submitted for musicians; however, the Committee expects to make a good donation to the Trustees for Share a Christmas.

Township Buildings and Grounds: The ramp work will begin the first week of August. Doug Mayer was asked to look into an appropriate hand rail. The next Hall Committee meeting has been postponed until July 28th, and the Hall Committee share of the expense of the handicap parking area will be discussed.

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Future Planning and JEDD: Trustee Ritch said a special meeting is required before August 9th to decide the Trustees' response to the Russ Pry/Don Robart letter of June 9th requiring the Township accept the JEDZ master plan in order to receive funding for sewer planning in the business corridor. The Trustees agreed to meet on August 4th at 6:30 pm, in the Township Hall. The Fiscal Officer will notify the *Beacon Journal*. Legal Counsel Pullekens will see if Mr. Schrader and Mr. Majewski can attend the meeting to finalize preparations for the proposed new JEDD,

Valley Fire District: No report.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Tesmer reported Bertolini Trucking completed its portion of the Oak Hill project and his is waiting on guard rail bids.

Other Business: Max Fogg, the Sagamore Hills resident in the last house on Stanford, attended the meeting. He is aware the Trustees would like to vacate Stanford Road, and intend to perform the minimum maintenance required. He wanted to voice his displeasure. He told the Trustees they must maintain the road to State standards and vacating the road will leave him with deteriorating ability to use the road to leave home as well as have police, fire and emergency services provided. The Trustees reiterated that as they receive no tax funds to maintain the road, they will provide minimum maintenance. They pointed out he made no complaint to either Sagamore Hills or Northfield Center when they barricaded the short distance of Stanford from his home to Brandywine Road.

Appropriations: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve supplemental appropriation of \$55.00 from 1000-110-599 (Other Expense) to 1000-990-990 (Other Financing Use). Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2011-0727-02]**

Purchase Order: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve Purchase Order 18-2011, Bertolini Trucking, \$11,150.00, Oak Hill Park Grant Project, 1000-110-599. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2011-0727-03]**

Payroll: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2011-0727-04]**

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. **[2011-0724-05]**

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2011-0727-06]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER