

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

February 23, 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.

Police Protection Report: Officer Jeremy Milford reported normal activity for the winter season. Snow boards and skis not placed in the corral continue to be stolen. A police report form is available at the desk at Boston Mills. The police routinely pick them up. They are having the victims help by checking Craig's list, eBay and second hand shops and a few stolen pieces have been recovered. The recent ice storm led to a tree down and a vehicle off the road. The new traffic light at Kendall and Akron Cleveland is causing no problems.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported

- There seems to be activity at ProTree. He took pictures on the 14th and again on the 18th, when he did a walk through. Pro Tree also did not appear at their final review hearing on February 22nd. The BZA resolved Pro Tree must appear at the next hearing or the case will be decided on the material already presented. In addition their status is pending the court's decision on March 14th, in the matter of operating without a zoning permit.
- Pruitt Brown: the court order allows thirty days to remedy the property.
- All Ohio: there has been no activity except a damaged door is repaired and the property is secured. They have until April 1st to remediate.
- Pollitt property: He has taken pictures of the cars parked at 5096 Akron Cleveland and will get the property owner's permission to access the property.

Doug Mayer reported taking numerous phone calls from realtors concerning various township properties.

Legal Counsel Pullekens reported talking with Mark Majewski of Northstar Planning and Design concerning long range planning for the Township. Mr. Majewski will respond to the Trustees with a contract proposal and cost.

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

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the February 9, 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. **[2011-0223-01]**

Boston Township Bi-Centennial (January 15, 1811): Trustee Bergdorf reported more than one hundred Call for Exhibitor cover letters and applications have been mailed. Twenty one program patrons have been secured to date. The booth applications will be put on the web site soon and an article and pictures of old quilt blocks to be raffled will appear soon.

The Fiscal Officer reported Legal Counsel Pullekens has advised the Bicentennial Committee the Township can pay for Township celebrations, citing ORC Sections 505.10 and 505.80.

The Fiscal Officer reported the Bicentennial Committee has agreed to the following financial procedure to be followed by the group:

The Township fiscal officer will deposit all receipts to the Township checking account and will issue payment checks against approved invoices. All checks will be approved and signed by the Township Trustees. The Township fiscal officer will keep a detailed and complete record of all financial transactions. Committee members who take receipts will submit them to the Township fiscal officer for deposit, together with an accounting of the source of the receipts. Committee members who submit invoices for payment will obtain prior committee authorization for the expenditure. Any revenue in excess of expense will be used to offset the cost of the historical marker authorized for purchase by the Trustees. Any additional revenue will be used for the Trustees' Share-A-Christmas.

After discussion, **Motion** by Ritch seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the appropriation of \$4,000.00 for the anticipated expense of the Bicentennial Celebration. Voting: Voting, YES: Bergdorf and Ritch. Anderson abstained. Motion passed. **[2011-0223-02]**

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Township Buildings and Grounds: Trustee Ritch said he would meet with Doug Mayer to begin plans for the parking lot. The corrected drawing for the administrative offices will be delivered, correcting one of the two remaining building inspection items. The final item, a ramp at the entrance door, will be remedied with the parking lot restoration.

Future Planning and JEDD: Trustee Ritch reported contacting Cuyahoga Falls Finance Director Joe Brodzinski concerning the 3% fee being assessed by Cuyahoga Falls for administering tax collections. Mr. Brodzinski will ask the law director if the assessment can be waived.

There will be a meeting on February 25th to include the Trustees, Sue Truby, Dave Marquardt, Susan DeChant, Connie Kraus and Patrick Bravo to address the township concerns with the JEDZ Master Plan five year limitation on planning and development.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported there have been 39 calls to Brandywine and 19 to Boston Mills, consistent with last years' activity. There was an insurance inspection and minor corrections were made. Nick Sebastian was named 2010 Firefighter of the Year by his contemporaries. The District's minutes will be posted on their web site, valleyfire.us, and at the post office and the fire station.

Road Department: There was discussion of administration of the current senior snow plow contract with the snow removal contractor. The Trustees will continue to proceed with the current notification method and will revisit the program next year.

Other Business: The Trustees expressed condolences to Linda and Tom Teodosio on the death of their daughter, Andrea Rose. Get well wishes were extended to Lida Flowers-Brandt.

Transfer: Motion by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the transfer of \$5,000.00 from Star Ohio Gasoline Tax Fund to First Merit Gasoline Tax Fund, Star Ohio check 8007 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2011-0223-03]**

Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2011-0223-04]**

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. **[2011-0223-05]**

Executive Session: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to enter executive session to discuss personnel and contract matters. All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2011-0223-06]**

The Trustees entered Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. The Trustees reconvened at 7:45 p.m. The Trustees announced no action to be taken.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2011-0223-07]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER