

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

September 22, 2010

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: No police representative was present. Trustee Ritch reported the police inform him the majority of township calls are to Hudson Estates, whose manager has thanked both the police and Valley Fire District for their prompt attention.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported

- Third quarter cell tower inspections are completed,
- Various zoning certificates have been issued,
- He has had conversations with and given Mr. Pruitt a zoning resolution handbook,
- Bencin Trucking/Mark Malbin have selected Mr. Excavator Company to complete the Barlow road remediation,
- The Zoning Commission has a summary of current case law on signage for review,
- Junk vehicle reinspections are done. He needs to review the results, which appear to be 30% compliance, 50% partial compliance and 10% non compliance. He needs to evaluate how to proceed and update the spreadsheet,
- He is working with the sign contractor on a new sign for the Don-EI Motel.
- The Pro-Tree BZA hearing is next Tuesday. He has walked the property. Most debris issues remain; the site fits the definition of a junk yard. Site clean-up is taking place very slowly.

Legal Counsel Pullekens has reviewed the complaint filed against Mark Malbin by Independence Bank, and naming the Township. Essentially the bank wants to secure loans to Mr. Malbin and the Township is named as also having an interest in the property.

Trustee Anderson reported receiving numerous calls from neighbors concerning 181 Keenan Road. The property houses a monkey, a horse, dogs and chickens. Various agencies have been contacted. Summit Soil and Water reports water table contamination can be checked at the cost of the resident requesting a contamination check. Summit County Health District reports the animal pens are cleaned and the animals cared for. The essential complaint seems to be unsightliness. Mr. Sulzer will discuss exotic animal regulations with the Zoning Commission.

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

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the September 8, 2010 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. **[2010-0922-01]**

Boston Township Bi-Centennial (January 15, 1811): Trustee Bergdorf reported a new participant at the last meeting, Paul Baker, who contributed excellent ideas. Trustee Bergdorf distributed copies of a proposed Ohio Historical Society historical marker to commemorate the Bi-Centennial. The marker will feature the Boston Township Hall on one side and its architect, John Eisenmann, on the other. The cost of the marker is \$2,250.00. A \$750.00 grant is available from the Ohio Historical Society. **Motion** by Ritch seconded by Bergdorf, to commit to funding the cost of the sign, apply for the grant and seek public donations to underwrite the cost. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0922-02]**

Township Buildings and Grounds: Trustee Ritch reported the patio work has begun. The HVAC system is complete and adjusted. The painting is complete. The door knobs need replaced with handicap compliant versions. The storm windows will be installed Monday, and will have vents. The furnace and storage rooms have been added to the floor finishing, at no additional cost. The outside door needs to be modified with a step or ramp.

Trustee Bergdorf reported the Hall Committee would like to explore a corner sign for the building that would provide an address and tenant information.

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Future Planning and JEDD. The JEDD tax collection agreement cannot be located by the new Cuyahoga Falls law director. Legal Counsel Pullekens will send him a copy and Trustee Ritch will follow up to have it approved by the JEDD Board.

The Trustees reviewed changes to the Peninsula JEDD contract language. Legal Counsel Pullekens will forward the changes to Al Schrader.

Trustees Anderson and Bergdorf plan to attend a meeting Tuesday, September 28th with DOES, Susan Truby of Cuyahoga Falls and Jason Dodson, Summit County Executive Chief of Staff to discuss JEDZ issues. The Township needs to be represented to monitor any JEDZ language that intends to penalize the Township for non-compliance with the JEDZ's master plan.

Valley Fire District: No report.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Tesmer reported the bicycle signs are in and being installed. The big truck is repaired and ready for winter. He has assessed a large elm tree on Main Street and two on the Township Building grounds that died late in the summer and need removed. He presented quotes for \$8,850.00, \$4,500.00 and \$2,350.00 to complete the work. Ohio Edison is not responsible for the tree on Main Street. After discussion, **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to approve the removal of the trees by Falls Tree Service for \$2,350.00. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0922-03]**

Trustee Anderson reported Peninsula Council members Jodi Padrutt and Dee Holiday had suggested Peninsula contract with the Township for certain road work, but the proposal was rejected by a vote of four to two at the last Council meeting.

Other Business: The Fiscal Officer said she had resigned the Township with Direct Energy, the current natural gas provider for another year at two dollars less per MCF than the previous year. It was the best fixed rate, no penalty contract available from all of East Ohio's vendors.

After review, **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the Summit County Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0922-04]**

Purchase Orders: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve:

PO28-2010	Lytle Construction	1000-110-599	Striping	\$4.313.68
PO29-2010	Centaur Contracting	1000-760-730	Painting	\$4,400.00

Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0922-05]**

Approval of Payroll: **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0922-06]**

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. **[2010-0922-07]**

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2010-0922-08]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER