

BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

January 27, 2010

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 Pulekins. Trustee Chairperson Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Police Protection Report: Sergeant Dan Renz reported a fairly busy month. There were four OVI arrests, two domestic violence arrests, all the ski lodge thefts were solved with arrests. The Park will commence taking private property accident reports on their property. He has been told the railroad crossing will be regraded and may be closed. Peninsula Police are recommending one lane be left open. The work is scheduled for September. The Trustees recommended the work take place earlier, before school buses are back on the road.

Nick Kostandaras: County Council representative Nick Kostandaras said no further action has been taken on the issues discussed at the meeting with the Executive Director, Chairman and Chief Engineer of the Ohio Turnpike Commission. Trustee Ritch said, for the record, the Turnpike Commission has acknowledged their responsibility for infringing on the adjacent and adjoining valley properties by installing additional lanes on the turnpike bridges over the valley. For mitigation they will 1) install sound barriers, 2) prohibit engine brakes, 3) enforce the prohibition of engine brakes.

Mr. Kostandaras reported signage prohibiting engine brakes has not been installed to date and there is no progress on sound barriers due to a lack of funding. The Turnpike Commission has agreed to move installation of the sound barriers up the installation list. Mr. Kostandaras will meet with Lieutenant Governor Lee Fisher and expediting the sound barriers will be discussed.

Mr. Kostandaras also affirmed that discretionary PILT funding to Summit County will be redirected in future to the communities that lost property to the National Park.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported assisting Steve Snyder of Direct Air Systems with zoning applications for his company, Direct Air Systems, to relocate to 5650 Akron Cleveland Road. The Ruetty public hearing for zoning variance has been rescheduled to February 2, 2010. He has given All-Ohio twenty-four hour notice of an impending inspection twice, with no response. He will confirm this by letter to All Ohio. The court date is next week when these issues may be addressed.

Assistant Zoning Inspector Mayer reported conversations with All Ohio attorney Rex Post, who has called to be updated on the case. He has been told to follow the zoning resolution in preparing an application for reinstatement of the zoning certificate. Mr. Post indicated site plans have been returned to the architect to be corrected; Mr. Post was advised these plans must show what is currently on the property.

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

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the January 13, 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. **[2010-0127-01]**

Boston Township Bi-Centennial (January 15, 1811): Trustee Bergdorf reported the last meeting was lightly attended. Those present saw quilt block samples that committee member Joanne Noragon proposes to assemble into an album quilt with facsimile signatures of township residents of the turn of the 20th century. The quilt will be raffled as a fund raiser. He and the Fiscal Officer continue to work on histories of businesses and a listing of all the elected officials of the Township.

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustee Ritch indicated a storm window can be constructed for the inside area of the windows and the company who makes them will be taking measurements soon.

The Boston Township Hall Committee rejected the Suncrest Garden plan for a patio area outside the lower level, saying it was too complicated for the building. A new plan will be up to the hall committee to provide. It was noted the plan should be made soon and implemented by spring to eliminate the daily tracking of mud onto the porous brick flooring of the lower level.

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Wiring and insulation for the administrative offices is the next project. Ann Benedict donated a plaque presented to Eugene Benedict in 1997 for forty seven years of coordinating the Memorial Day parades. She hopes it can be used on a "Wall of Honor" in the new offices.

Future Planning and JEDD. Trustee Ritch reported on the January 27th JEDD board meeting. All officers and members will remain the same for 2010. A replacement will be named for Virgil Arrington when he retires in August. All Ohio was discussed and both Joe Broderick and Virgil Arrington indicated All-Ohio non-compliance issues are being addressed by the respective departments.

Trustee Ritch hopes to schedule a meeting soon for the Trustees to discuss the JEDZ master plan with Sue Truby.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported the Brandywine service is going well. To date most of the hours have been covered by original staff, with only a few hours coming from the newly hired EMT's. The in-house fire school will commence in two weeks.

Road Department: Assistant Road Superintendent Mayer reported several quotes for new doors are in hand and they will be prepared to present them by the next meeting. The Trustees asked the Road Department to prepare and keep updated a Capital Request Report, showing equipment on hand, age, proposed replacement date and cost to replace.

Other Business: The Township has received a 2011 appropriations request from Congressman LaTourette. Trustee Anderson requested the road department make a request for an appropriation for a new truck.

Appointments: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to appoint Jim Jones to the vacant Zoning Commission seat for the term expiring September 4, 2014. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0127-02]**

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to appoint Mike Anderson an alternate to the Zoning Commission. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0127-03]**

Transfers: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the transfer of \$1,200.00 from the Star Ohio Road and Bridge to the First Merit Road and Bridge, Star Ohio check 5052 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson; and the transfer of \$3,100.00 from Star Ohio General Fund to First Merit General Fund, Star Ohio check 2053 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0127-03]**

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0127-04]**

Approval for Payment of Bills: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to pay the bills prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2010-0127-05]**

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2010-0127-06]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER