

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

August 12, 2009

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Trustees Randy Bergdorf, Jerry Ritch and Amy Anderson; 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: Chief McCue was not present. Trustee Anderson thanked everyone who helped make the Senior Spaghetti Dinner a success. Trustee Ritch reported attending Sheriff Robert Campbell's program showcasing the training programs offered by the department for local, state and federal agencies and programs for Summit County citizens such as First Aid, CPR and teen driving classes.

Zoning: The Trustees reviewed a series of zoning classes available through the Ohio Township Association. . **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to pay for classes and reimburse mileage expense for all zoning personnel who wished to attend. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0812-01]**

Zoning Secretary Lida Flowers Brandt will coordinate scheduling attendance.

Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported

- Inspecting activity reported by Warren Brown, who owns the tree farm property running between Akron Cleveland Road and Seasons Road. Land is being filled behind the old fruit market at 5054 Akron Cleveland and the Town and Country Market. The Brown property lines are being ignored. Mr. Sulzer will get Summit Soil and Water to evaluate the situation.
- Cell towers have been inspected.
- He was notified that tires are now being piled on the Brown property at 5068 Akron Cleveland. This is a new health hazard for the property; Mr. Sulzer will address this with the Summit County Health District.
- The Road Department continues to investigate ownership and responsibility for the culvert pipe at the Stillwell property; the County has not yet located the drainage easement.
- The second junk car letter has been drafted.
- He and Assistant Zoning Inspector Mayer met with Pat D'Andrea, counsel for Pro-Tree. A preliminary site plan was presented and they began discussion of issues to be resolved.
- The July 31st site inspection of All-Ohio showed illegal processing equipment on site and pictures were taken of the soil processing machinery. An affidavit of what took place has been filed.
- He has asked Mr. Mayer and Ms. Brandt to schedule the meeting(s) at Suncrest Garden that will involve the EPA, Summit Soil and Water and the Summit County Engineer.
- Mr. Rueddy has requested direction in proceeding with a variance for two buildings and an in-ground pool on his property.
- The first monthly meeting of zoning personnel was held and covered communications, team building and streamlining processes.

Mr. Sulzer distributed a draft copy of a new fee schedule. Ms. Brandt reports she is ready to distribute a draft copy of the zoning resolution changes. These will also need to be reviewed with the JEDD businesses. Mr. Mayer reported he is still working on the new application and is segregating information for the applicant from information concerning the project.

The Zoning Secretary reported the next regular meeting of the Zoning Commission will be held on September 15th; this will be included in the *West Side Leader*.

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Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the July 22, 2009 meeting submitted by the Fiscal Officer. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.
[2009-0812-02]

Boston Township Bi-Centennial (January 15, 1811): No report.

Correspondence: Fiscal Officer Noragon reviewed the various correspondence received by the Township.

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustee Ritch reported the tree has been removed. He will coordinate a meeting with the Road Department and appropriate members of the Hall Committee to discuss striping the parking lot, relocating the tree island and reconfiguring the entrance area.

The windows are installed in the new administration area and have been primed. The HVAC contractor will begin soon.

Future Planning and JEDD. The Trustees reported attending the recent public information meeting concerning the Park's proposed wetland sewage facility. They find the EPA is supportive of the system. Trustee Bergdorf said the Trustees need to monitor the Park's use of Township road right-of-ways to construct this system.

Trustee Ritch reported the Seasons Road trunk line is being laid. Only about \$165,000 of the stimulus funding will actually be coming to Summit County; the Park will be getting about five million dollars for the sewage facility.

Trustees Bergdorf and Anderson reported attending a Regional Prosperity Initiative Phase II meeting in Richfield. The purpose of the Initiative is to help regional areas retain their identity without economic consequence. Businesses are encouraged to remain in place within the region, new businesses are encouraged to relocate in non-rural areas and some tax revenues are shared among all entities in the region. The plan is based on the thirty year old Minneapolis-St.Paul model.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson the District will participate in Valley Days. Two life packs will be purchased with FEMA grant money; the District will be the first department in the area to have these state-of-the-art units.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Tesmer reported the three projects funded by Park grants have been completed. He continues to research the right of way for the Geoppert Road turn around on county maps.

Other Business: The Fiscal Officer said the spare computer will be set up for zoning; it will be made internet ready and the files will be better organized for use. She will also check pricing for another line for the zoning department and cost for a phone system.

J & J Refuse announced an increase in monthly fees of \$0.19 per month per household to cover State and local fees not in place when the last contract was executed. After discussion, **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the increase effective October 1st. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. Residents must be notified.

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The trustees authorized changing the title of their policy from “Policies and Procedures for Bicycle and Running/Jogging Races and Events in Boston Township” to “Policies and Procedures for Group Organized and/or Sponsored Bicycle, Motorcycle, Running or Walking Events in Boston Township.” A separate web page will be made for the Policy and the Permit and will have an explanation of the need for this policy.

Transfers/Advances: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the transfer of \$15,070.49 from the Star Ohio Police Fund to the First Merit Police Fund (2191), Star Ohio check 5047 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0812-04]**

Bank Reconciliation: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the July bank reconciliation prepared by the Fiscal Officer. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0812-05]**

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0812-06]**

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. **[2009-0812-07]**

Executive Session: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to go into Executive Session to review litigation matters. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0812-08]**

The Trustees entered into Executive session at 8:05 P.M. The Trustees reconvened at 8:15 P.M. The Trustees stated no action was taken.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2009-0812-09]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER