

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

June 24, 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.

The Trustees expressed get-well wishes to the step-father of Larry Sulzer, Township zoning inspector.

Funding Crisis: Trustee Bergdorf explained that Governor Strickland's current budget proposal attempts to overcome the state deficit through funding cuts, including cutting funding to libraries by 50%. This cut is in addition to the current 20% cut that is a result of declining revenues in the state general fund. Peninsula Library's normal operating budget is approximately \$450,000. Its board cut \$73,000 in expense this year because normal funding is down. The current state budget will cut the library's funding an additional \$48,000 this year and \$96,000 next year. Trustee Bergdorf asked everyone, and their friends, neighbors and associates to support the library by contacting our representatives and the Governor in opposition to this portion of the budget proposal.

Police Protection Report: Chief McCue reviewed upcoming events at Blossom Music Center and Boston Mills. An Ohio National Guard unit will be marching on Sunday, June 28th on Akron Peninsula Road from Bath Road to Peninsula and back to Bath Road.

The officers' bullet proof vests are expiring. The Chief has applied for a \$5,000.00, 50% matching grant to buy new vests. The \$5,000.00 balance has been donated by a Village resident.

The Senior Spaghetti Dinner will be held August 8th from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. at the Township Hall.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported he has not yet received an application from Mr. Ruetty for the construction at 2198 Columbia Road. An immediate stop work order has been issued by Summit County. Mr. Ruetty has been advised that penalties and fines from the Township can be assessed. After discussion, Mr. Sulzer was instructed to issue an invoice for all applicable fines retroactive to last March.

The Boston Mills Art Fest will be held the next two weekends; Mr. Sulzer has advised the director, Bob Miller, to expect an invoice for the vendor permits, as usual.

He has received replies to all junk vehicle citations except for the vehicle at 5771 Zielenski Court.

The swale between Suncrest Gardens and Mr. Bogard's property was discussed. Mr. Sulzer was instructed to obtain confirmation from the EPA, the Summit County Engineer and Summit Soil and Water that the swale meets their specifications. Suncrest Gardens' zoning certificate is contingent on the swale meeting those specifications.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the June 10, 2009 meeting submitted by the Fiscal Officer. **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting YES: Bergdorf and Ritch. Anderson abstained. Motion passed.

[2009-0624-01]

Boston Township Bi-Centennial (January 15, 1811): Trustee Bergdorf reported he and the Fiscal Officer have finished the records disposal process, but did not destroy some old checks and invoices that were of local interest. He asked everyone to think of ways these might be used during the Bi-Centennial.

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

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustee Ritch reported the administrative offices floor has been poured; the windows and heating/air/ventilation will be done next. At that point it might be wise to re-evaluate the layout of the room.

Future Planning and JEDD. Trustee Ritch reported ground has been broken for the pump station. He has learned that Hudson, Stow and Cuyahoga Falls plan to meet to discuss funding opportunities for the Western Reserve Enterprise Zone, which includes a portion of the JEDZ. He will be in touch with them.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported the District has made several rescues of Park visitors recently.

Road Department: Trustee Anderson reported a call from Dee Strickland of the National Park Service, inquiring if the Township actually had enough funds to complete the projects applied for this year. Trustee Anderson assured her our funding is in hand. The Fiscal Officer reported that no notice the Township will actually receive these grants has been received; Trustee Anderson will follow up on that.

Other Business: Trustee Ritch reported that Gary and Pat Amore on Woodland have won their suit against the Ohio Turnpike Commission for failure to abate noise.

Purchase Orders: Motion by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve Purchase Order 19-2009, Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co., \$62.25, 1000-110-389, Other Insurance. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0624-02]**

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the payroll prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0624-03]**

Approval for Payment of Bills: Motion by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf to pay the bills prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0624-04]**

Executive Sesson: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Bergdorf, to go into Executive Session to review litigation and personnel matters. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. **[2009-0610-05]**

The Trustees entered into Executive session at 7:50 P.M. The Trustees reconvened at 8:10 P.M. The Trustees announced they will institute monthly workshops with themselves, the zoning inspectors and the chair of each zoning board.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned. **[2009-0624-06]**

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER