

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

February 11, 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: Trustee Ritch reported three people were caught breaking into the old fruit market on Akron-Cleveland Road; two were arrested and there is an arrest warrant for the third. The people stealing purses from the ski lodge have been arrested; the case will probably be turned over to Federal authorities.

Trustee Anderson expressed thanks to the Peninsula Police and to Valley Fire District for their assistance to Boston Heights on their recent loss of a police officer.

Zoning: Bath and Copley Townships are hosting a county-wide builders' workshop on February 26th. Legal Counsel Pullekens will see that all zoning personnel are notified.

Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported that Paul Sergi has filed an application for a zoning permit for 4066 Oak Hill Road for a six foot decorative security fence. It exceeds the four foot specified height and will be denied and referred to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Pro Tree has requested a Class 4 Composing Facility zoning status, which will also have to be referred to the Board of Zoning Appeals. He is working together with Legal Counsel Pullekens on the application.

Verizon has requested co-locating on a tower at Suncrest Gardens. Mr. Sulzer is still assembling the file of original zoning applications and permits.

Suncrest Gardens has not responded to the 2007 and 2008 notices regarding a site plan, screening of materials and mitigation of water drainage to the adjoining property. Mr. Haury will receive a final notice requesting the compliance before the beginning of his spring season.

Mr. Pruitt has been notified that although the January weather prevented his planned clean-up of his property on Akron-Cleveland Road, the Township expects to see a good faith effort on the project in the next 90 days.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the January 14, 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.

The trustees reviewed the notice of cancellation of the January 28, 2009 meeting submitted by the Fiscal Officer. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the notice. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Boston Township Bi-Centennial (January 15, 1811): Nancy Stanford Schrader has been contacted to become honorary co-chair of the event and has agreed.

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

Township Buildings and Grounds. The insurance settlement from the recent flood in the hall will be sent to Boston Township, to be reimbursed to the Hall Committee. The cause of the flood, a gutter problem, has been resolved.

Plans for the administrative offices project have been submitted to Summit County. The floor will be raised to the current level of the brick building rather than making a ramp into the office area as the cost of leveling the current floor is approximately the same as raising it.

Future Planning and JEDD. The Trustees will be attending meetings with the JEDZ communities concerning planning for development of the area. Trustee Ritch and Marty Griffith will also meet with representatives of Congressman LaTourette's office to discuss funding.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported a three year dispatch contract with Richfield Village was approved, at an annual 3% increase. Outgoing Trustee John Puchalsky was thanked for his fifty years of service to the District and to the community. Legal Counsel Pullekens administered the oath of office to incoming Trustee-at-Large, Richard Slocum.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Tesmer reported he prefers to monitor the work load weekly and postpone hiring a part-time person to fill in for Doug Mayer until closer to spring. He reports Mr. Mayer is improving.

Mr. Tesmer reported the full allotment of salt has been distributed to the Township and what is left will be stretched with ice grits for the rest of the winter.

The Trustees reviewed quotations for a small pick-up truck to be used in place of the large dump truck for errands and meetings. **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the purchase of red 2009 Chevrolet Colorado Pickup through the State Purchasing Program at a cost of \$14,084.00. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.

Other Business: Fiscal Officer reported that Ohio Edison will be receiving a street lighting tariff from PUCO that will replace the expired contract. The cost will increase from 10.1 cents/kwh to 11.56 cents/kwh. Details are still being worked out.

Health insurance from Medical Mutual will be increased by 6% from January through June to compensate for a billing misunderstanding in pricing the current 18 month contract. Two insurance agencies will be asked to quote a new policy effective July 1, 2009. The Trustees agreed to increase the cost to employees by 6% effective the pay period ending February 17, 2009.

The next Richfields, Peninsula, Bostons quarterly meeting will be held April 14th in Richfield Township at Rising Valley Park.

The Fiscal Officer announced that annexation revenue sharing with Cuyahoga Falls will increase about \$14,000.00 this year.

Trustee Anderson reported meeting with representatives of Congressman LaTourette's office to discuss road funding help for the Township and equipment funding help for the Fire District.

Silver Alert Resolution: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to urge the State Legislature to enact a Silver Alert Program, similar to Amber Alert Programs for the safe recovery of children, to help in the safe recovery of seniors with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia, who may go missing. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. This resolution will be forwarded to Governor Strickland, State Representative Williams and State Senator Coughlin.

Appropriations: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the supplemental appropriation of \$494.30 from 1000-110-599 (Other) to 1000-110-389 (Other Insurance) and the additional temporary appropriation of \$7,067.00 to 2901-910-910 (FEMA transfers out) Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Transfers: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve following transfers:

\$7,067.00 from 2901-910-910 (FEMA Grant transfers out); \$4,643.02 to General Fund Transfers In (1000-931) and \$2,423.98 to Gasoline Fund Transfers In (2021-931);

\$15,070.49 from Star Ohio Police Fund to First Merit Police Fund (2191), Star Ohio check 5042 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson; Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed

Purchase Orders: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the following purchase orders:

PO13-2009	Love Insurance	\$150.00	1000-110-383	Bonds
PO14-2009	Teachers Insurance	\$729.05	1000-110-389	Other Insurance
SBC34-2009		\$20,000.00	1000-330-323	Repairs/Maint.
PO15-2009	Love Insurance	\$810.00	1000-383-000	Bond

Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed

Bank Reconciliation: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the bank reconciliation prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.

Approval of Payroll: Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by Fiscal Officer Noragon. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.

Aproval 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.

Motion by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER