

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

September 10, 2008

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 7:00 P.M.

Nick Kostandaras: Summit County Council President Nick Kostandaras attended the meeting to update the Trustees on addressing Turnpike noise on residential streets following his meeting with the Trustees to assess the noise level. He will draft a petition stating the problem and requesting a noise abatement solution. The Trustees will circulate the petition for signature among the affected residents and Mr. Kostandaras will present the petition to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the transportation department, the turnpike commission and any other elected official who may have authority to effect a solution.

Peninsula Library Foundation: Foundation board member Bob Kaczmarski attended the meeting and presented an overview of the Foundation's endowment campaign. The Foundation is seeking grants and contributions to build the endowment to a level sufficient to support the Peninsula Library & Historical Society as other funding sources decrease. **Motion** by Anderson, second by Ritch:

Whereas, the Peninsula Library & Historical Society continues to be a valuable member of the community since 1943, and,

Whereas, the Peninsula Library & Historical Society is constrained by limited funding options due to its organizational structure as an association library and its unique situation within prevailing community dynamics, and,

Whereas the community had the wisdom and foresight to organize and support the Peninsula Library Foundation since 1995,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Boston Township Trustees hereby support and endorse the Peninsula Library Foundation Endowment Fund Campaign.

Voting Yes: Anderson and Ritch, respectfully abstainng, Bergdorf. Motion passed.

Police Protection Report: No report.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Sulzer reported continuing inspection of the All-Ohio site. He has issued a citation for a truck for sale on the property and the height of the dirt piles. He will send a letter to Lura Jean Brown asking the property owner's intent in storing trailers on the vacant property on Akron Cleveland Road. He spoke with residents of Main Street in old Boston about noise levels from Valley Trucking. He is researching zoning records before signing off on the next building phase at Boston Max. Suncrest has not followed through on a revised site plan or reported progress on resolving the drainage issue with Mr. Bogart's property. Trustee Ritch will follow up with Mr. Haury of Suncrest. Mr. Sulzer also reported the Zoning Commission has commenced review of the zoning resolution. The revised Application for Zoning Certificate will be reviewed at the next Trustee meeting.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the August 27, 2008 meeting submitted by the Fiscal Officer. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Correspondences. Fiscal Officer Noragon reviewed the various correspondence received by the Township. Trustee Anderson reported receiving a letter from the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council requesting a dues payment of \$1,000.00.

Township Buildings and Grounds. The revised lease has not been returned to the Trustees for signature. Because it has been approved by the Trustees and the Hall Committee, Legal Counsel Ritch will review the document a final time and the Trustees will sign it.

Future Planning and JEDD. Legal Counsel Pullekens presented the minutes of the special meeting with the City of Cuyahoga Falls – JEDD matters, August 6, 2008. After review, **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Zoning Commission member Marty Griffith recommended producing a map showing all properties available in the JEDD district, categorized by use, owner, availability and price.

Trustee Ritch reported he is still working on a general communication to JEDD businesses covering progress to date.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported the annual Quarry fund raiser, supported by Valley Fire District, will be held September 13th. The District is ordering 30 Class II safety vests at a cost of about \$20 each in order to comply with new Federal regulations. Firefighter Kevin Paulette has submitted a letter of resignation. The District will meet with representatives of the Park, Brecksville and Northfield Center fire departments to better coordinate EMS services for the Towpath Marathon. The parking lot at the District needs repairs; Valley Fire will purchase the asphalt and the work will be handled by members of the District, and the Township and Village Road Departments. The Township has an open contract with Valley Fire for such work. Trustees Ritch and Bergdorf concurred. Trustee Anderson also reported that as a result of audit issues resolved with members of Valley Firefighters, Inc., the District Clerk has withdrawn her resignation.

Road Department: Legal Counsel Pullekens reviewed the bond submitted by Major Properties. The bond does not name the Township as additional insured. Superintendent Tesmer will advise Major Properties that work cannot commence until they supply a corrected bond. He will also tell them the drainage pipe specified is not permitted and must be corrected.

Trustee Anderson reiterated the Township is interested in working together with the Village on road projects, but the Village has yet to approach the Township to discuss an arrangement.

Road Superintendent Tesmer announced leaf pick-up will commence the third week of October; leaves should be at the edge of the road.

Other Business: The Trustees reviewed and authorized the Bicycle, Running/Jogging Races and Events Form. The Fiscal Officer presented a completed form for the Towpath Marathon and said the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association has requested forms for the Fall Racing Series. The Fiscal Officer will distribute the policy and form to as many event organizers as she can locate.

Road Superintendent Tesmer reported attending the recent CUE meeting covering the current season salt contract. The price of salt will be \$41.87 delivered. It was agreed to prorate the \$200 annual CUE dues to fifty cents per ton to be added to Peninsula's cost for salt. In addition, the loading fee will be increased to \$1.00 per ton, subject to later review.

The Trustees said they would continue the Senior Snow Plow program and asked the Fiscal Officer to obtain a price from O'Bryan Grounds Services.

The Fiscal Officer asked to engage ProbeTechnologies to help upgrade office equipment to enable scanning and pdf formatted documents. The Trustees concurred.

Trustee Bergdorf will check available dates for the annual Potluck Dinner.

Contracts and Appointments: Legal Counsel Pullekens will send the final copy of bid specifications for trash removal and place the advertisement. Bids will be due by October 22, 2008.

Zoning Inspector salary review: **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to increase the salary of the zoning inspector position to \$900.00 per month, retroactive to May 1, 2008. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.

Transfers/Advances: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the following transfer: \$414.00 from 1000-110-599 (Other Expense) to 1000-110-313 (Election Expense). Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.

Purchase Orders: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the following purchase order: PO 17-2008, \$22,855.00, Lytle Construction, 1000-330-323, Oak Hill. Voting: All Voting, YES. Motion passed.

Bank Reconciliation: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the August 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.

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.

Executive Session: **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to go into Executive Session to review legal matters. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. The Trustees entered into Executive session at 8:15 P.M. The Trustees reconvened at 8:30 P.M. The Trustees announced no action taken.

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

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER