

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

September 12, 2007

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Trustees Randy Bergdorf, Amy Anderson, and Jerry Ritch, Legal Counsel Ed Pullekens, and Fiscal Officer Joanne Noragon, Zoning Commission member Marty Griffith and Board of Zoning Appeals member Dave Calloway. Trustee Chairperson Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M.

Police Protection Report. Chief McCue reported no major activity in August. The Blossom concert season ends this week. The Chief reported proposing the parade and assembly ordinance to Peninsula Village Council. It was favorably received and he anticipates the legislation being passed. The Chief also reported that Nick Kostandaras may present similar legislation for consideration by Summit County Council.

Contracts: After discussion of the next three year police contract as passed by Peninsula Village Council, **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to accept the \$172,234.00 contract, payable in twelve equal installments, including a five percent annual increase for the second and third years. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed. Contract cost is \$172,234.00 in 2008; \$180,845.00 in 2009; \$189,889 in 2010.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Paul Kaczmarek submitted a letter of resignation, effective December 31, 2007. After expressing appreciation of his service, **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to accept the resignation. Voting: All voting, YES. Motion passed.

The trustees indicated they will advertise the open zoning inspector position in the *Community News*, and accept applications until October 10, 2007.

Trustee Anderson reported receiving a complaint about the property at 186 West Barlow, which has received repeated warnings and a citation for junk cars and car parts. It was agreed the next step is a court order to clean up the property; Zoning Inspector Paul Kaczmarek will submit the necessary documentation to Counsel Pullekens.

Violation notices have been issued to Boston Car, J & J Auto and Lewis Caporaletti. At Trail Mix, some items have been removed from the back of the property. Trustee Anderson noted that Trail Mix signs remain in place, almost in the road way.

All-Ohio has removed some bins and material from the Akron Cleveland Road right of way, but the East Barlow Road right of way remains obstructed. All Ohio's legal counsel, Ed Post, indicated to Township legal counsel, Ed Pullekens, that the Barlow obstructions will be removed. Mr. Pullekens advised Mr. Post that All Ohio must continue working with the BZA. BZA member Dave Calloway said that plans submitted by All Ohio to the Zoning Commission are insufficient for the application to move to the BZA. In addition, regulation of the mulching machine used by All Ohio has been referred back to the Trustees by the BZA.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the August 22, 2007 meeting submitted by the clerk. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the minutes as submitted. Voting, All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Correspondences. Clerk Noragon reviewed the various correspondence received by the Township.

Township Buildings and Grounds Trustee Ritch reported that the revised lease is being reviewed by the Hall Committee. The Hall Committee has contracted with Mark Biro, to make miscellaneous repairs to and paint the wood building. Quotes for replacing the lower door slab are in the range of \$2,500; it will be replaced this fall. Quotes for a new lower level door are being obtained. The Hall Committee is looking at striping of the parking lot.

A letter to the Hall Committee from Greg and Norma Preneta, copied to the Trustees and asking for solutions to the problem of noise from the hall air conditioning units was discussed. Trustee Ritch indicated the Hall Committee installed special covers on the units, which apparently have not silenced enough noise. A system of baffles will be considered.

The Trustees requested Paul Kaczmariski draw up renovation plans for the old road garage that can be used for bidding the preliminary construction of a new meeting room.

Future Planning and JEDD. Trustee Ritch reported there was a JEDD Board meeting August 29th. At the meeting Jerry Ritch was elected as Chairman, Joe Brodzinski elected as Secretary and Terry Maderr elected as Vice-Chair. The Board discussed the status of tax collections in the district; Mr. Brodzinski indicated he has a program to bring businesses into compliance. Other discussions included the possibility of forming a sewer district and acknowledged that sewers from the County are two years in the future.

Trustee Anderson reported that Fred Guerra, Planning Director for the City of Cuyahoga Falls teaches a planning class at Akron University. Mr. Guerra indicated that a planning project for the Akron Cleveland Road corridor will be his next class project and he will share the results of his students work with the Trustees.

Valley Fire District Trustee Anderson reported that the new squad, a 2007 Braun Superchief may be delivered as soon as Thanksgiving. The new flag pole is installed and a proper size flag is on order. The Fire District is looking into sourcing a back up natural gas generator for their buildings. The tornado siren installation is still being reviewed. The District received the donation of a new 35 foot ladder from Northfield Center Township to replace the broken ladder out of service for several years. The District's operating levy will be on the November ballot.

Road Department: Road Superintendent Tim Tesmer reported that leaf pick up will commence in October and the last chipping will be in October. The NPS grant applications have been received; Mr. Tesmer is preparing grant applications for Oak Hill chip and seal, and pavement repairs on Major and Hines Hill Road.

Mr. Tesmer reported that the cost of striping Wetmore Road under the current grant will be about \$2,700.00, or \$700.00 in excess of the grant. **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to authorize the additional expense to complete the project. Voting, All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Mr. Tesmer additionally reported that signs have been added to Hines Hill Road to warn of road damage. He said the County Engineer's Office recommends filing the gullies created at the side of the road. Concerning the pending removal of street lights, he reported the project is still being scheduled by Ohio Edison, but the grant for removal is valid for five years.

Other Business: The clerk reported receiving a statement of position from NEO/SO concerning participation in their salt purchasing program. The letter was given to Counsel Pullekens for review and possible answer.

The clerk reported the Records Commission has met and adopted a schedule of record retention as required by the Auditor of State. . **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to accept the schedule and submit it to the Ohio Historical Society for approval. Voting, All voting, YES. Motion passed.

Mother of Sorrows Church is celebrating their 125th anniversary in Peninsula over the weekend of September 15th and 16th. . **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, commending Mother of Sorrows as a vital member of the community. Voting, All voting, YES. Motion passed. The Trustees are honored and pleased to present a plaque commorating the event to Father Tresano.

APPROPRIATIONS: None

TRANSFERS/ADVANCES **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the repayment advance of \$4,925.53 from 2191, Police Fund to 1000, General Fund. All Voting YES. Motion passed.

PURCHASE ORDERS: None

BANK RECONCILIATION: **Motion**by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the August, 2007 bank reconciliation prepared by the Clerk. . All Voting YES. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL: ~~Motion~~by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the payroll prepared by Clerk Noragon. All Voting YES. Motion passed.

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to pay the bills prepared by Clerk Noragon. All voting, YES. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: **Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Ritch, to go into executive session to discuss legal matters. All voting, YES. The Trustees entered into executive session at 8:10 P.M. The Trustees reconvened at 8:30 P.M. The Trustees announced no action was taken in executive session.

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

CHAIRMAN

CLERK