

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

July 11, 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 Clerk Joanne Noragon, and guest Michael Kaplan, Peninsula Village Mayor. Trustee Chairperson Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Before proceeding with the meeting, The Trustees expressed their condolences to the family of Robert Bishop on their recent loss of this respected member of our community.

Police Protection Report. Chief McCue reported a busy month in June. A burglary suspect possibly also involved in burglaries in Stow and Hudson was apprehended in Nevada. Four township residents have charges pending for trespassing in one of the cemeteries. Two cyclists from Summit Freewheelers were cited for stop sign violations.

The Department is prepared for three upcoming sold out concerts at Blossom Music Center. The Chief said all is ready for the Harry Potter Festival; there will be eight police officers and four fire fighters on duty, together with the fire department squad. He reminded those present of the Senior Spaghetti Dinner to be held on July 21st from 5 to 7 p.m at the Boston Township Hall.

Trustees Bergdorf and Ritch reported they recently met with Captain Roach and Lieutenant Barker of the Summit County Sheriff's Office, and toured their facility. A request for quotation of policing services has been requested.

Zoning: Assistant Zoning Inspector Mayer reported being contacted by a township resident who has an ongoing problem of scrap in his yard, generated by the mulching operations the All-Ohio Landscaping yard. Mr. Mayer and Mr. Kaczmarski visited the properties and collected scrap from both the homeowner's yard and the Akron-Cleveland Road right-of-way. They ascertained this is a long standing problem; in the past All-Ohio has addressed damages by repairing them. Mr. Mayer and Mr. Kaczmarski will work with Legal Counsel Pullekens to assess the problem.

Mr. Mayer reported a recent check of the Akron-Cleveland Road corridor showed that the L. Caporaletti property at 5079 Akron-Cleveland has been backfilled into wetlands that have receded in the current drought. The backfilling now extends into an adjoining Hudson resident's property. Mr. Mayer has involved Summit Soil and Water and the EPA to correct the situation.

In other ongoing zoning matters, Mr. Mayer reported no plans have been received from the Don-El Motel and about ten cars have been removed from the Barlow Road property; however, parts of those cars remain on the ground. The property at 85 Keenan remains unmowed.

Community Business: Dennis Osowski, representing the Summit Freewheelers, a bicycling group, attended the meeting to learn the result of the Trustee review of the 2007 event schedule for Summit Freewheelers. The Trustees restated their opinion that constant bicycle traffic and especially large organized bicycle events inconvenience Township residents daily. Mr. Osowski commented that the Township is "cursed" with good roads that attract cyclists. There was discussion of the danger of bicycle events on Boston Mills Road, the requirement of involving the Peninsula Police in Summit Freewheeler's September event and the prohibition of any citizen from directing traffic to facilitate a bicycle event. **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf to accept the event schedule presented by Mr. Osowski, excepting the Boston Mills event, and using Peninsula Police for traffic control. Voting yes: Ritch and Bergdorf. Voting no: Anderson. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the June 27, 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 Construction Committee will meet next week with their consultant to commence construction planning.

Future Planning and JEDD. Trustee Ritch reported the cost estimate for temporary sewer connections to Midway and the Don-El is \$70,000.00 and the commercial tap-in fee will be about \$9,000.00. There will be a meeting on June 29th with Cuyahoga Falls for final approval.

Clerk Noragon reported there still is no response from the Cuyahoga Falls tax administrator to her request for an accounting of the registration and payment status of businesses in the JEDD district.

The Trustees agreed to contact Mr. Crandal to schedule a work session on zoning updates.

Valley Fire District: Trustee Anderson reported that the air packs are in and training has been completed. Firefighter Mike Kamp has passed his Paramedic test, and the Board of Trustees authorized the hiring of three new firefighters: John Sternad, Paramedic, Firefighter 2; Joe Varga, EMT-B, Firefighter 2; and Michael Goodrich, EMT-B, Firefighter 2.

Road Department: The Ohio EPA has responded to Road Superintendent Tesmers' report of salt residue on the ground and vegetation kill by salt at the ODOT salt storage facility at I-271 and SR303. The Ohio EPA has advised ODOT to correct all the problems noted.

The chip and seal portion of the Wetmore Road project has been completed. Contrary to previous reports, no street lights have been removed under the street light removal portion of the current NPS grant.

Other Business: Clerk Noragon circulated June 30, 2007 year to date financial statements.

APPROPRIATIONS: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the Supplemental appropriation of \$15,877.25 from 1000-110-599 (general fund, other expense) to 1000-330-360 (general fund, highways, contracted services) for the Wetmore Road chip and seal project. All Voting YES. Motion passed.

TRANSFERS/ADVANCES: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the transfer of \$12,716.75 from Star Ohio Police Fund (2191) and \$15,877.25 from Star Ohio General Fund (1000) to First Merit Police and General Funds for the June police payment and the Lytle Construction invoice for Wetmore. Total: \$28,594.00, Star Ohio check 5022 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson. All Voting YES. Motion passed.

PURCHASE ORDERS: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve Then and Now purchase order 13-2007; Lytle Construction; \$15,877.25, Wetmore Road chip and seal (NPS grant H6160070003). . All Voting YES. Motion passed.

BANK RECONCILIATION: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Ritch, to approve the June 2007 bank reconciliation prepared by Clerk Noragon. 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.

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

CHAIRMAN

CLERK