

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
BOSTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Joint meeting with Peninsula Village Council
February 8, 2006**

**Regular Meeting of Boston Township Trustees
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The Regular Meeting of the Boston Township Trustees and Joint meeting of the Boston Township Board of Trustees and the Peninsula Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairperson Amy Anderson. Present from Boston Township: Trustees Randolph Bergdorf, Amy Anderson and Jerry Ritch. Also present was legal counsel, Edward C. Pullekens and Clerk Joanne Noragon. Present from the Village of Peninsula: Dan Schneider, Jay Pedone, Robert Hunker Grover Miller, Charlie Moyer and Jay Pedone, councilpersons and Mayor Mike Kaplan.

The purpose of the meeting is the semi-annual meeting of the Boston Township Trustees and the Peninsula Village Council to review areas of mutual concern and interest.

Reverse Alert System: Tina Merlitti, from Summit County, made a presentation of the Reverse Alert-Emergency Telephone Notification System. She reported that all community officials within Summit County may activate the Reverse Alert-Emergency Telephone Notification System. She reviewed the pros and cons of the system and the guidelines used. Questions were answered and written information was distributed.

Police matters: Police Chief, Jim McCue gave a verbal report of the year's activities under the contract between the Village and the Township. Everything seemed to move along smoothly in the transition from the sheriff's coverage. All present commended Chief McCue for his departments' efforts over the last year. Chief McCue also provided the Township Trustees with a written report for the month of January 2006.

Valley Fire District matters: Grover Miller gave an update in regard to the pending fire levy as well as the fire station relocation/remodeling. The Fire District is awaiting the final lease from the National Park Service. The current approved and appointed representatives of the respective communities on the fire board are Grover Miller for the Village and Amy Anderson for the Township. Mr. Miller and Ms. Anderson appointed Joe Badger to the at large position subject to approval. Mr. Badger has been approved by the Township, and the Village indicated that his approval would be voted on at the February 13, 2006 meeting of the village council. All in attendance were pleased with the progress that was finally being made to relocate the fire station. Chief Riedel reported that the new radio system is up and running and approximately 95% of the district is now covered by the radio system. This is a significant improvement.

Road Department matters: Mayor Kaplan indicated that he would like to explore with the Township more joint cooperation between the road departments of the township and the village. He indicated that the village is in the process of looking at locations to relocate its road department. One possibility was the Dogwood Lane site where the fire station will be located. The matter is only in the discussion stages at this point. The village indicated that it was going to consider installing house number markers in the village, especially in the outlying areas.

Cemetery: Mr. Bergdorf gave a summary of the activities of the joint Union Cemetery. The Village indicated that it would like to relocate the veteran's plaque located at the village townhall to the cemetery. Discussion was had of the possibility of relocating the memorial to the Boston Cemetery. The matter will be followed up on by the Village Council and the cemetery board. Vandalism has been an ongoing problem and there was damage last year due to lightning.

There being nothing further of mutual interest, the Village representatives left the meeting at 8:10 pm and the regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees continued.

Police Protection Report. No additional police report was made.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the January 25, 2006 submitted by the clerk. **Motion** by Ritch seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the minutes as submitted. All Voting, Yes

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

Township Buildings and Grounds. The next meeting of the Boston Township Hall Committee will be next month. The lock to the road department office has been replaced. The key to the furnace room storage area is to be delivered to Trustee Randy Bergdorf by a representative of the BTHC. The cistern-septic system is being fixed the BTHC.

Valley Fire District Update. Trustee Amy Anderson reported that the next meeting of the fire board would be on February 14, 2006 at the fire station at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Hopefully, the lease will be executed soon with the NPS for the Dogwood site. Ms. Anderson reviewed with the trustees the changes to the draft lease that are being made by the NPS.

Road Department. The road department has reported that all the equipment is in good working order and that all is going well. With the change in the weather, the road crew has been working hard on ice and snow control issues. The Trustees discussed the proposal made by the road department about the possibility of replacing the small truck next year. The matter will be subject to further review by the Trustees at future meetings. It was announced that beginning February 27, 2006 there will be a detour on Route 271 for bridge work. Detour maps have been prepared. The detour will be for approximately 5 days. The detour will not be on township roads.

Future Planning. Summit County Council has approved the JEDD agreement between Boston Township and the City of Cuyahoga Falls. The matter will be voted on at the May 2, 2006 election. Mr. Schrader will be contacted to confirm that the matter has been forwarded to the Board of Elections. The 7.0 mill replacement police levy will also be taken to the Board of Elections to be placed on the May 2, 2006 ballot.

Zoning. Wes Bergdorf stated there was no report. The Trustees are advertising for the position of assistant zoning inspector. The opening will be announced in the next issue of the *Community News*. The zoning board members have been paid.

Other Business: Trustee Amy Anderson indicated that she has given Nick Kostandarus, Summit County Council representative, information in regard to the Sagamore Hills-Stanford Road matter. She has not heard from him. She will follow up on the matter.

Clerk Noragon reported that Trustee Jerry Ritch has given her his suggestions in regard to the proposed township handbook. She will incorporate the suggestions into the draft. She asked that the other trustees provide her with any comments and suggestions that they want added to the draft that will be further discussed by the trustees.

Clerk Noragon reported the Office Max credit card has expired. She is looking into other alternatives.

Clerk Noragon reported that Boston Township, Peninsula Village, Valley Fire and the Peninsula Library are considering conducting a joint auction in May. She will keep the trustees updated on the matter.

Clerk Noragon reported that she contacted Robyn Patton at Ohio Edison in regard to the street light issue. Per Ms. Patton, the contract states that street lights can be removed, but cannot be turned off. The cost of removal was discussed and Clerk Noragon indicated that she would inquire as to whether there is any fund/program available to pay for the removal. The cost of removal is significant and it is probably more cost effective to keep the lights than removing them unless funds are available.

Clerk Noragon distributed a written financial report for January 2006 to each of the trustees. She reviewed the same. She will provide the report monthly.

Clerk Noragon reported that J & J Refuse has contacted her. Apparently 6 township residents using the bag system are not using the J & J bags as required. J & J has sent letters to the residents explaining the options available.

CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS: None.

APPROPRIATIONS: None.

TRANSFERS/ADVANCES **Motion** by Ritch, Seconded by Bergdorf to approve the transfer of \$10,300 from Star Ohio to checking. All voting YES. Star Ohio check 5006 signed by Joanne Noragon and Amy Anderson.

PURCHASE ORDERS: **Motion** by Ritch, Seconded by Bergdorf to approve the following purchase order:

SBC 46-2006, \$2,625, 2181-130-150-Compensation of Board Members

All Voting: YES

BANK RECONCILIATION; **Motion** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf to approve the January 2006 bank reconciliation reported submitted by Clerk Noragon. All voting, YES.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL: **MOTION** by Ritch, seconded by Bergdorf to accept the payroll as prepared by Clerk Noragon. All voting yes.

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS: **MOTION** by Ritch seconded by Bergdorf to pay the bills prepared by Clerk Noragon. All voting yes.

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

CHAIRMAN

CLERK