

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

FEBRUARY 23, 2005

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Randy Bergdorf, Amy Anderson, John Puchalsky, and legal counsel, Edward C. Pullekens and Clerk Joanne Noragon. Trustee Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The trustees asked that Edward C. Pullekens take the minutes of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: The trustees reviewed the minutes of the February 9, 2005 meeting submitted by the clerk. **Motion** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to approve the minutes as submitted. All Voting, Yes.

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

Police Protection Report. Trustee Anderson reported that there was no report to review. It was noted that the Peninsula Police have numerous new police vehicles. No problems with the transition for the Summit County Sheriff and the Peninsula Police were noted.

Township Buildings and Grounds. The Trustees reported that the next meeting of the Boston Township Hall Committee will be next month. There was no other business to discuss in regard to buildings & grounds.

Valley Fire District Update. John Puchalsky reported the number of rescue calls have been on the rise. The issues with the NPS are still being addressed. Grover Miller, who has been the liaison with the park hopes to have an answer in regard to a possible lease for the Dogwood site by the end of the month. Mr. Puchalsky reported that the Valley Fire District is looking into purchasing one of the old police vehicles from the Village of Peninsula. The current chief's vehicle has over 200,000 miles on it.

Road Department. Road Superintendent, Tim Tesmer, is putting together a wish list for the year. One of the areas that have to be addressed is winter storage space for township equipment. Also, the trustees discussed the need in the future to replace the township trucks. Hopefully, the large truck has 6 to 7 more years of life left. The small truck probably has a life of approximately 2 more years—it has been in service 11 years. Tim Tesmer has reported to Ohio Edison the burned out streetlights.

Future Planning. The Trustees indicated that they are still planning to hold a public meeting in the end of March to discuss the JEDD and associated issues. Representatives from Summit County will be present. The Trustees asked that legal counsel Ed Pullekens contact Al Schrader to see if he can be in attendance. The Trustees will be working on the Agenda for the meeting. The township officials will attend the Summit County Township meeting next week where the new open records laws will be discussed.

Zoning. It was reported that Wes Bergdorf, secretary for the Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals is in the hospital. The Trustees expressed their sentiment for his speedy recovery. It was reported that the Blumenthal property zoning issues are moving ahead. The Township zoning officials have been in contact with the Everett Church. Finally, the owners of the Indian Mill on Route 8 have been making inquiries in regard to the JEDD.

CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS: None

Other Business: Clerk Noragon reported that in 2004 the township received \$132,300 from the Local Government funding. The funding is very important to the township and any cut in the funding will have a profound effect on the township's general fund.

Clerk Noragon reviewed the Star Ohio account. The township is billed for each wire transfer. A checkbook can be issued for the account, however, the checks only require one authorized signature. Clerk Noragon checked with Helen Humphrys of Bath Township in regard to the procedure used by Bath Township in using the checks. Clerk Noragon asked that the Trustees consider whether the township should start using checks. The Trustees asked that the clerk see if the checks can be made payable to the Boston Township. The entire matter will be reviewed later by the Trustees.

Clerk Noragon asked that due to the timing of tax receipts that the due date in the police contract be changed from 1-1; 3-1; 7-1 and 10-1 to the 15th day of the respective months. The Village of Peninsula Clerk indicated that she would introduce the matter to the Peninsula Council. **MOTION** by Puchalsy, Seconded by Bergdorf to approve the amendment to the police contract to reflect the new pay dates subject to the concurrent approval from the Village of Peninsula Council. All voting, YES.

Clerk Noragon reviewed a letter she drafted to send to Jenny Markowitz with SASWMA. The Trustees approved the sending of the letter which stated that due to the small size of the township, the township will not participate in applying for the Community Recycling grant.

APPROPRIATIONS: NONE

PURCHASE ORDERS: **Motion** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to approve the following purchase orders as presented by Clerk Noragon:

SBC	30-2005	Repairs & Maintenance	\$40,000	1000-330-323-0000
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All VOTING, Yes.

TRANSFERS/ADVANCES None

BANK RECONCILIATION; None

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

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

MOTION by Randy Bergdorf, seconded by John Puchalsky to adjourn. All voting yes.

Meeting duly **adjourned**.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK