

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

JANUARY 26, 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 January 12, 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 reviewed the partial report for the month of January submitted by Chief McCue. The Chief was also present to answer any questions that the trustees may have. He indicated that the transition by the Peninsula Police has gone smoothly. He reported that there was an incident one night when a township resident 95 years of age ran out of heating fuel. The matter was handled by the police department. The chief also reported that his officers are checking business properties on a regular basis for unlocked doors, etc.

The Trustees commended the Peninsula Police Department, and officer Eddie Westfall for his service to the Township resident. Also commended by the Trustees was resident, John Lahoski, who also assisted in transporting the fuel to the elderly resident.

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustees Anderson and Bergdorf reported on what transpired at the last meeting of the Boston Township Hall Committee (BTHC). Among the issues discussed were the completion of the fence; the fire training trailer parked on the property; the issue with the Internal Revenue Service in regard to the timing of the filing of the IRS-990 form; the issue of checking on unlocked doors at the township buildings, and the issue of the BTHC beginning work on projects before grants are approved by the CDBG.

Valley Fire District Update. John Puchalsky reported that there was nothing new to report, except that the number of rescue calls have been on the rise. The issues with the NPS are still being addressed. Mr. Puchalsky did state he forwarded a reply letter to the NPS in regard to its letter asking for feedback as the NPS does its impact study.

Road Department. The Trustees reviewed the letter from Summit County Engineer Greg Bachman in regard to the work that he is proposing to do on Akron-Cleveland Road. The Trustees noted that Mr. Bachman has been very responsive to their inquiries. Trustee Anderson reported that Brian Stormer from the Engineer's office contacted her and told her that culvert replacements will be done on an as needed basis. Ms. Anderson also reported that a new snow plower has been contacted in regard to the senior/disabled citizen snow plowing program. Tim Tesmer reported that Jon Baker is still able to work for the township on an as needed basis. Ms. Anderson reported that she has been receiving complaints in regard to the snowplowing on Stine Road. Apparently, when the village plows its portion of Stine Road, the village crews stop plowing at the township line, and when they stop, they leave a large mound of snow. It is the township's understanding that the Village and Township would work together in regard to Stine Road, and the crews, on a first come basis, would plow the entire road as mutual aid. This issue will be reviewed when the Village and Township meet for a joint meeting in February. Finally, Trustee Anderson reported that Adam Burke has been contacted numerous times by the Township and he has not responded in regard to his claims of property damage allegedly caused by the Road Department. The fuel usage report was also reviewed.

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. The Trustees are tentatively planning to hold the meeting at the Township Hall on Wednesday, March 23, 2005 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. The regular meeting of the Township Trustees will follow. Mr. Bergdorf is still checking on the availability of the large meeting room. The regular meeting of the township Trustees will follow.

The Trustees asked that Clerk Noragon check to see when the police levy expires. The trustees want to begin planning for the submission of the police levy in light of the planned new school levy, etc. that will be on the upcoming ballots.

Zoning. Wes Bergdorf reported that the zoning boards are reviewing the Boston Township zoning ordinances and noting suggestions for updates and/or changes. Randy Bergdorf reported that he was notified that the Church in the Valley on Everett Road that the church will be moving forward on its expansion. The church was directed to contact Zoning Inspector Paul Kaczmarek.

CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS None

Other Business: The Trustees reported that the annual joint meeting with the Village of Peninsula will take place on Monday, February 14, 2005 at 7:00 PM at the village hall.

Clerk Noragon reported that the current valuation for the township inventory is \$322,838.00.

The Trustees and clerk reviewed the correspondences received from the Summit County Township Association. The trustees directed that the clerk renew the membership of the township regular and associate members. The membership fees are \$50.00 for the clerk and trustees and \$25.00 for associate members.

Clerk Noragon reviewed with the trustees her research on the issue of the real estate taxation by the county on retained interest parcels that are not posted to the web. She reported that because it involves a declining calculation, the parcels are kept on a separate spreadsheet. There are currently 3 remaining retained interest parcels, and the interests will end this year. The township received \$53.07 from the collection from the retained interest parcels in the last tax collection. Clerk Noragon will get information on the amounts the township has received in prior years.

Randy Bergdorf reported that the Boy Scouts currently do not have any used office furniture available. The Trustees suggested that Tim Tesmer check with used office furniture outlets to see what is available.

APPROPRIATIONS: NONE

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

SBC	22-2005	Contracted services	\$2,000.00	1000-301-360-0000
SBC	23-2005	Insurance & bonding	\$500.00	1000-110-389-0000
SBC	24-2005	Dues & Fees	\$1,500.00	1000-110-519-0000
SBC	25-2005	Repairs/Maintenance	\$1,000.00	2231-330-320-0000

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