

**BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
November 23, 2004**

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

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

Executive Session: Trustee John Puchalsky made a **MOTION** to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract issues. The Motion was seconded by Randy Bergdorf. All voting, YES. The Trustees adjourned at 7:00 pm and returned at 7:25 pm. The Trustees reported that they discussed various contract issues in executive session in regard to the pending police contracts.

Concerned Citizens: Various residents attended the meeting in regard to the pending discussions concerning the possible changes to the school boundaries between the Hudson and Woodridge School systems. The Trustees reviewed with them their knowledge of the issues involved. The Trustees urged the residents to attend the various school board meetings and to keep the Trustees advised of what is happening. The Trustees indicated that they would be willing to assist the residents in getting information, etc. if requested.

Correspondences. Clerk Noragon indicated that there was no correspondences to be reviewed.

Approval of Minutes: The Trustees reviewed the minutes presented for the November 10, 2004 meeting. **MOTION** by Bergdorf, seconded by Puchalsky, to approve the minutes for the meeting of November 10, 2004 as presented by Clerk Noragon. All voting, YES

Police Protection Report. The Trustees reported that during the executive session held earlier, they discussed various issues in regard to the proposed contracts for police protection submitted by the Village of Peninsula and the Summit County Sheriff. The issues they would like clarified by each of the entities are as follows:

Peninsula Contract:

1. What would be the cost of adding another 8 hour per week shift to the current proposal?
2. In regard to the shifts contracted for in the contract proposal, will a vehicle be dedicated for Township patrols, etc.?

Summit County

Sheriff Contract: 1. What would be the cost of adding another 8 hour per week shift to the current proposal?
2. Does the Sheriff keep a log of the float car that patrols the township? If so, can the township see a copy of the log for a representative time period?

Representatives from the Village of Peninsula as well as the Summit County Sheriff's office were present. Each indicated that they could have the answers to the questions by tomorrow morning. After a long discussion, the trustees indicated that they would give each of the proposed contracting parties until tomorrow to provide the information and that the Trustees would not vote on a contract tonight, but would adjourn the meeting until tomorrow evening November 24, 2004 at 5:15 pm, to vote on the contract. All the parties present were in agreement with the short continuance in order to obtain the answers to the questions posed.

Township Buildings and Grounds. John Puchalsky indicated he attended the meeting of the Boston Township Hall Committee. Among the issues discussed were the fence, the trees, and the condition of the wood floors in the building. Each of the issues were discussed. The trustees also reviewed the framed documents, etc. that the BTHC is procuring to hang in the buildings.

Valley Fire District Update. Trustee Puchalsky reported on the fire district. The Fire District has given the National Park Service the information requested. The Fire District is still waiting for the response from the NPS in regard to the letter sent to the NPS. The Fire District is renewing its insurance coverage. The Christmas Party for the firemen will be on December 1. There will be coverage provided during the period of the party by other departments. The Trustees discussed a projected date to finalize the community food drive collections and distributions. Hopefully, the project will be completed by December 18, 2004.

Road Department. The Trustees reviewed the Fiscal Year 2005 Road Project request that will be forwarded to the National Park Service. Tim Tesmer will follow through on the matter. The Trustees expressed concern on the condition of various trees on Quick Road and other roads that were damaged by the Gypsy moth. The trustees directed that Tim Tesmer contact the Summit County Engineer and the National Park service to review the matter.

Future Planning. The Trustees discussed and reviewed the updated the returned survey forms that affect the Akron-Cleveland Road Area. Clerk Noragon is continuing to compile a summary of the responses and gave each of the Trustees copies of the updated summary. The Trustees indicated that they would be scheduling a meeting with the Route 8 residents to review and discuss the JEDD early next year. The Trustees also reported that they will be circulating petitions to the business/property owners early next year.

Trustee Randy Bergdorf indicated that he is still exploring possible projects to commemorate the bicentennial of the Township.

Zoning. Wes Bergdorf was present and reported on the activities of the zoning boards. He indicated that he would submit a list of meeting attendance at year end for compensation of the members of the various zoning boards.

Other Business: Attorney Pullekens indicated that he received a telephone call from Attorney Thomas Skidmore who represents the adjacent landowner to the town hall (Mr. Morris). Issues were raised about the location, etc. of the fence erected by the BTHC. At the request of the Trustees, Attorney Pullekens will attempt to get all the interested parties to resolve the posed issues.

The township has received the prosecutor's opinion in regard to the concealed weapon signs posted on the township buildings. The letter was referred to legal counsel for review. The prosecutor indicated that the current signs be changed to comport to Ohio Law. The prosecutor ruled that unless a township law enforcement official has probable cause to search a vehicle or person, the township does not have a right to do so. The signs should be changed to delete the reference to the township's absolute right to search, etc. The Township will comply with the prosecutor's opinion and order new signs.

The Clerk stated that she is still processing information sheets from Seibert-Keck in regard to the Township insurance coverage. Seibert-Keck is looking into other possible sources for insurance coverage for the township.

John Puchalsky indicated that he has contacted Taylor Electric in regard to issues raised about the metering of the electric used by the Township. Taylor will look into the matter in the near future.

The Clerk reviewed the new problems posed to township's caused by the new law that does not require banks to return cancelled checks. The Clerk is reviewing alternative procedures that will be acceptable to the State Auditor in regard to the issue.

CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS: The trustees again indicated that the police contract proposals would be reviewed tomorrow at 5:15 pm.

APPROPRIATIONS: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Puchalsky, to approve the following appropriation:

Supplemental: \$1650 from 1000-110-311-0000 (accounting and legal fees) to 1000-130-150-0000 (compensation of board and commission members) to cover the balance of 2004 payroll.

All voting, YES.

ADVANCES: NONE

BANK RECONCILIATION: None

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL: **Motion** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to approve the payroll as submitted by Clerk Noragon. All voting, YES.

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

MOTION by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to adjourn the meeting until 5:15 pm November 24, 2004 for the purpose the acting on the proposed police contracts. All voting, YES. Meeting was duly adjourned until November 24, 2004 at 5:15 pm.

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Continued

November 24, 2004

Present at this reconvened meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Randy Bergdorf, Amy Anderson, John Puchalsky and Clerk Joanne Noragon. Trustee Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

Executive Session: Trustee John Puchalsky made a **MOTION** to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract issues. The Motion was seconded by Randy Bergdorf. All voting, YES. The Trustees adjourned at 5:15 pm and returned at 5:33 pm. The Trustees reported that they discussed the requested information supplied by the Sheriff's Department and the Peninsula Police Department.

CONTRACTS: **MOTION** by Anderson, seconded by Puchalsky, to accept the Peninsula Police Department's policing contract for January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005. Voting: Anderson, **YES**; Puchalsky, **YES**, Bergdorf, **NO**. Motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS: Nick Kostandaras, Sr, Summit County Council Elect, District 1, attended the meeting to thank the Trustees for their support in the recent election. He asked what he can do to help the Township. The Trustees responded that water, sewer and long-range planning are the Township's major areas of concern. Mr. Kostandaras

responded he will facilitate meetings with appropriate governmental authorities to facilitate planning and implementation in these three areas.

MOTION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS; MOTION BY Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf, to pay bills prepared by Clerk Noragon. All voting, **YES**.

MOTION by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to adjourn. Meeting duly adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK