

**BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
October 13, 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.

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

Approval of Minutes: The Trustees reviewed the minutes presented for the September 22, 2004 meeting. **MOTION** by Bergdorf, seconded by Puchalsky, to approve the minutes for the meeting of September 22, 2004 as presented by Clerk Noragon. All voting, **YES**

Police Protection Report. The representative of the Sheriff's office was present. He indicated that he would provide the Trustees with the written monthly report within the next few days, inasmuch as he was called to attend the meeting at the last minute. The Trustees asked that the Sheriff's office follow through on the reported shooting of guns on Geophert Road. It was reported that there will be stepped-up patrols at the cemetery and on Route 8 in the upcoming weeks. Trustee Anderson indicated that Peninsula Village has submitted another contract proposal for a policing contract. She distributed to the trustees copies of the proposals as well as the summary prepared by legal counsel Ed Pullekens. The trustees now have the 3 proposals submitted by Peninsula and the proposal submitted by the Summit County Sheriff, with summaries and financial breakdowns of each. The Trustees indicated that they would study the information and discuss the same at the next meeting. The Trustees asked that legal counsel, Ed Pullekens, contact the township's insurance representatives to review the issues of insurability, etc. posed by the contracts.

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustee Anderson indicated that the grant application to the O'Neil Foundation was rejected. The letter from the Village in regard to the trees on the townhall property was referred to the BTHC for review. Trustee Anderson indicated that she did send a letter to the Mayor of Peninsula in regard to the letter. The BTHC is in the process of installing a fence around the perimeter of the township hall property. The proposed parking lot striping plans are being reviewed by all the interested parties.

Valley Fire District Update. Trustee Puchalsky reported on the on-going negotiations in regard to obtaining a new site for the fire station. He discussed the

requirements being set forth by the NPS. He reported that the Valley Fire District Board of Trustees has prepared 2 letters to be sent to the NPS in regard to the issues and questions raised. He indicated that he would keep the trustees advised of all developments. Trustee Puchalsky reported that the fire district received a Firelands Matching Grant that has a potential value of \$4,000.00. Calls have been down during the last month, but there have been a few serious accidents. Individuals are being interviewed for membership in the department. Mr. Puchalsky indicated that he reviewed the Akron Water Department billing in regard to the fire hydrants in the township with the Valley Fire Board. The Valley Fire Board agreed that the cost associated with the billing should be paid by the fire district. The contract is with the Township/City of Akron, but the fire board agreed to reimburse the Township for the expense in the future. The Valley Fire Board will be meeting with the BTHC in regard to the roof situation in the fire department building.

Road Department. Trustee Anderson indicated that she is following through with the senior/disabled citizen snowplowing agreements. The new agreements have been prepared by legal counsel, and the applications will be distributed.

The trustees noted that the garage doors have been painted.

Future Planning. The Trustees discussed the proposed survey of issues that affect the Akron-Cleveland Road area. Trustee Anderson is coordinating the mailing. All the trustees offered to help. Ms. Anderson discussed her conversations with Michael King in regard to the JEDD. He indicated that he will help the trustees in any way he can.

Zoning. Wes Bergdorf was present and reported on the activities of the zoning boards. He distributed copies of the minutes of the BZA meeting dated September 28, 2004.

Other Business: The Trustees reviewed the request from the Peninsula Police to place a sign advertising their pancake breakfast. **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Puchalsky to allow the sign as long as all appropriate regulations are followed. All voting, **YES**.

Trustee Anderson circulated a letter prepared by Martin J. Griffith to Alfred Cipolletti, Executive Director of the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council in regard to the upcoming meeting on the amendment that various communities have sponsored in regard to the voting rights of members.

Ms. Anderson circulated minutes from the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council that she has received.

The Clerk reported that the Community Mutual Insurance coverage has changed its coverage. The matter was reviewed with Tim Tesmer, the only employee affected. The Clerk further reported that she is working on obtaining an upgraded bond as set by the change in the Ohio law. She will keep the trustees advised

in regard to the matter. Finally, the Clerk reported that she is still attempting to get answers to the questions she has posed in regard to the bill received from the State Auditor for the last township audit.

Trustee Bergdorf circulated a letter he received from the City of Hudson in regard to the discussion between the Hudson City School District with other districts in regard to pursuing a modification of the Hudson City School District boundaries to exclude territory outside the geographic boundaries of the City of Hudson. There was discussion by the Trustees on the issue. Mr. Bergdorf circulated documents from January 1997 when the issue was last discussed.

Resident Ken Bauza spoke in regard to the Concealed Weapon warning signs posted on the township buildings. There was a question on the language of the warning signs. The trustees agreed to submit the question to the Summit County Prosecutor for an opinion.

Legal counsel reviewed the lawsuit that was filed against the cemetery, et al. in regard to an action for adverse possession. He has been in contact with the attorney for the plaintiffs. The exact issues are being identified.

CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS: The trustees discussed the J&J Rubbish contract. Legal Counsel Ed Pullekens has prepared a second extension per the 2003 agreement for the 2005-2006 contract year. The clerk will forward the same to J&J for its approval. When the extension is returned, the document will be executed by the trustees. The Clerk is in the process of collating the J&J Refuse contract from the township records.

APPROPRIATIONS: **Motion** by Bergdorf, Seconded by Puchalsky, to approve the following supplemental appropriations as presented by Clerk Noragon;

Supplemental: \$27 from 1000-110-311 to 1000-420-370 to pay county engineer storm water permit fee.

Supplemental: \$600 from 1000-110-311 to 1000-220-370 to pay City of Akron fire hydrant standby charge.

All voting, **YES.**

PURCHASE ORDERS: **Motion** by Bergdorf, seconded by Puchalsky, to approve the following Purchase Orders:

15-2004---Action Door, \$275, repair garage door.

All voting, **YES.**

TRANSFERS/ADVANCES: Repayment advance \$14,245.04 from 4307 (CDBG) to 1000 (General Fund) to close 4307.

BANK RECONCILIATION: **Motion** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to approve the bank reconciliation for the month of September as submitted by the clerk. All voting, **YES**,

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. All voting **yes**. Meeting duly adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK