

**BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
May 26, 2004**

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 Chairman, 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.

**Correspondence:** Clerk Noragon reviewed the various correspondences received by the Township.

**Approval of Minutes:** **MOTION** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf, to approve the minutes for the meeting of May 12, 2004 as presented by Clerk Noragon. All voting YES

**Police Protection Report:** Amy Anderson indicated that she had discussions with Jim Jones, business and property owner on Route 8. Mr. Jones had concerns about Sheriff patrols in the Route 8 area. Trustee Anderson reviewed the sheriff's patrol of the Route 8 corridor with Mr. Jones, including use of the float patrol between Boston Township and Northfield Center. Mr. Jones recently had a break-in at his property, and he is in the process of installing a fence and security system. The trustees indicated that they would further explore Mr. Jones' concerns and refer the matter to the Sheriff for additional review. The trustees indicated that they are committed to providing appropriate protection to the business owners.

Ms. Anderson and the trustees wanted to commend Sheriff Deputy Jeff Bennett and resident Tom Cooper for their assistance to the residents of Boston Township during the recent flooding.

**Township Buildings and Grounds:** Amy Anderson reviewed her attendance at the May 20, 2004 meeting of the Boston Township Hall Committee. The BTHC board was re-elected for another term. Ms. Anderson indicated that the BTHC is requesting that the Township apply for a Community Block Grant for the Township buildings to repair/restore the roof on the Township buildings. It is estimated that the project will cost approximately \$137,200. Both Ms. Anderson and Mr. Bergdorf have been in contact with the County in regard to the grant applications. To date, the applications have not been issued. Trustee Anderson and Trustee Bergdorf indicated that they would follow through on the matter. The Trustees also asked legal counsel, Ed Pullekens, to look into the ability of the Township to contribute to the project. The issue in regard to the bell tower is still being explored by BTHC member John Lahoski.

**Valley Fire District Update:** John Puchalsky gave an update in regard to the review of possible sites for a new fire station. He indicated that the Fire Board has been in contact with John Debo, superintendent of the National Park. Mr. Debo indicated that he would like to meet with the Fire Board soon to discuss possible ways that his office may assist in getting the project approved. Mr. Puchalsky will keep the Trustees updated. The Fire Department is ready for the Memorial Day ceremonies.

**Road Department:** The Trustees reported that the Township suffered worse damage during the recent flooding than last year. The main problem was downed trees. Mr. Bergdorf reported that he received calls in regard to the status of the repairs on Kendall Road. The resident indicated that the Summit County Engineer's office gave him an update and wondered why the Trustees did not have the current information. Mr. Bergdorf indicated that he called Mr. Bachman, the Summit County Engineer, and expressed his dismay of the fact that the Trustees were not informed about the current status. Mr. Bachman indicated that it was an oversight and that he would try to keep the Trustees updated. Mr. Bachman indicated to Mr. Bergdorf that the delay in the project was caused by the fact that the contractor who was awarded the contract was unable to produce the required bond. Mr. Bachman is meeting with County Executive, James McCarthy, on Friday to see if the contract can be awarded to the next lowest bidder. Mr. Bachman indicated that he would immediately report to Mr. Bergdorf the results of the Friday meeting.

Mr. Puchalsky reported that the repairs to the mower would be approximately \$4,500.00, but that all repairs were needed and worthwhile.

The Trustees approved the proposed logo for the township, and asked that Tim Tesmer obtain quotes for the same.

The Trustees reviewed an estimate from Lytle Construction, Inc. for work on Stine Road. The cost of the project was estimated at \$3,650.00.

**MOTION** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf, to accept the estimate from Lytle Construction, Inc. for the Stine Road project in the amount of \$3,650.00. All voting, YES

**Future Planning:** The Trustees reviewed their petition circulation efforts in regard to having the JEDD contract approved by the property owners and business owners in the covered areas.

**Zoning:** Wes Bergdorf updated the trustees in regard to the matters being reviewed by the Township zoning boards. He circulated copies of the latest minutes of the zoning commission and the BZA. Zoning Inspector, Paul Kaczmariski, indicated that he is completing his review of the current zoning problems.

**Other Business:** The Trustees reviewed the request from the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council for a contribution of \$960.00 to support the Council's activities during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004. There was a lengthy discussion by the

trustees, Wes Bergdorf and Martin Griffith, the Township delegates to the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council. The Trustees indicated that they would review the matter at the next meeting. The Trustees also reviewed a draft of proposed changes in the Code of Regulations of the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council that was prepared by Martin Griffith. The Trustees will take the draft under advisement and review the same at the next meeting.

Clerk Joanne Noragon indicated that she is working on the Budget for 2005. If the Trustees have any thoughts about any anticipated unusual budget amounts, she asked that they discuss the same with her.

**CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS:** NONE

**APPROPRIATIONS:** NONE

**PURCHASE ORDERS:** **MOTION** by Puchalsky, seconded by Bergdorf to approve Purchase Order 9-2004, presented by Clerk Joanne Noragon in the amount of \$1,174.93, for the purchase of the computer for the road department. All voting **YES**.

**ADVANCES:** 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. All voting **YES**. Meeting duly adjourned.

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