

**BOSTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 1999**

Present at this regular meeting of the Boston Township Trustees were Randolph Bergdorf, Amy Anderson, John Puchalsky and legal counsel, Edward C. Pullerkins. Absent: Clerk Frank Kaczmarek. Trustee Bergdorf called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Summit County Engineering Projects: The first item of business on the agenda was a visit by Gene Esser, Summit County Engineer. Mr. Esser reviewed the various projects to take place within the township. Among the projects reviewed were:

- (1) Route 303 situation;
- (2) Work logs generated relative to projects and calls to Boston Township
- (3) Schedule of future projects that will affect the township.
- (4) Progress of the Boston Mills bridge restoration. He is hopeful that the bridge will be open by mid-November 1999.
- (5) Barlow Road vacation request by the township. His office has sent to the Trustees the necessary documents to submit to the county for further review. The documents must be submitted directly by the Township to the Planning Commission. The Trustees will pass a resolution asking that the Barlow Road property be vacated. Mr. Esser indicated that if the Trustees have any questions, they should check with Bob Warren of the County.
- (6) Riverview Road project. This project is to be included with the bid for the turnpike. They are attempting to schedule the work to minimize the closing of the road. When the work is scheduled, most likely next Spring, there will be a limit of 120 days of closure. There will be a total closure of the road during the renovation. Regarding Riverview Road relocation, he advised that said project should be completed by July 2000. The project is worthwhile inasmuch as Issue 2 funds and National Park funds are being used for the work. Mr. Esser indicated that he would like a letter of support from the Trustees for the renovation. Regarding the small area to be used as a park, Mr. Esser will do whatever is possible to improve the property to the approval of the Trustees. He asked the Trustees to study the area and present him with suggestions.
- (7) Snow removal and plowing. The Engineer's Office will enter into a new agreement for snow removal and plowing for the coming year. Said agreement will be prepared by legal counsel for the County and forwarded to the Township.
- (8) National Guard property. Mr. Esser has contacted Brian Williams and has been advised that the federal government will have the property appraised. Mr. Esser will be in further contact with Brian Williams and Roy Ray to discuss the county's interest in the property and how it may be used by the township and village. Mr. Esser agreed that the county obtaining possession of all or part of the National Guard property would be a perfect fit for everyone.

(9) Truxell Road. The various speed limit studies for Truxell Road have been completed and will be submitted to CDOT. He will keep the Trustees informed.

(10) Seasons Road interchange. Stow and Hudson want to bring this matter to a conclusion. He suggested that, possibly, Summit County could initiate discussion with Stow and Hudson to have those communities help the township in the area with water and sewer. There was a complete discussion as to what the Trustees have done to date concerning a potential JEDD, etc.

(11) Block numbers and addresses. Amy Anderson reviewed with the Engineer the possibility of placing street addresses and block numbers on the township roads to assist rescue and safety forces. She inquired whether the county has any available funds. Mr. Esser will check with regard to possible funding from the county. Also, the trustees asked for his suggestions regarding the identification of areas with no houses, etc.

(12) Truxell Road dip. This project was to have been done this year. However, he is looking at a new road composition to use. Therefore, this project will be done in the Spring, 2000. He will try to fix any problems in the area for the winter months with the understanding that the project will be completed in the Spring.

(13) Tree and vegetation planting on Oak Hill area. Mr. Esser will check regarding any funding for the project through his office or through the National Park. Mr. Esser indicated that the Trustees should feel free to contact him with any questions. He then left the meeting.

Correspondences. Trustee Bergdorf reviewed the various correspondences left with him by the Clerk.

Police Protection Report. The Summit County Sheriff's representative and Amy Anderson reviewed the current status of the sheriff's protection. The township was notified that John Groggin has returned as a deputy to patrol the area. There may be a personnel change in the Sheriff's Department early next year inasmuch as the officers can bid on assignments. The Trustees will be kept informed of any changes. There have been no major changes with the Sheriff's Department and everything appears to be running smoothly at this time.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: There were no minutes for previous meeting to be read or acted upon.

Township Buildings and Grounds. Trustee Bergdorf indicated that Boston Township and the Township Hall Committee were being recognized by the Historical Society for the renovation of the township hall. The award will be presented at a later date. Mr. Bergdorf also indicated that the township hall will be used by the Summit County Board of Election in the upcoming November election. Trustee Bergdorf further indicated that the Township Hall Committee and Township Trustee meeting which was scheduled in October would be in conflict with Candidate's Night to be held at the library. The Trustees agreed to reschedule the meeting for November 1999. Trustee Bergdorf is still working on the block grant approval for storm windows as a substitute project for the current grant. It is necessary to obtain the approval for storm windows to be classified for historical preservation purposes. He will keep the Trustees informed in this regard.

Furniture and Supplies. Trustee Bergdorf advised that he and Clerk Kaczmarek met with Costigan's Office Supply regarding the furniture needed by the Trustees and

further items needed by the Trustees.

Boston Township Hall Committee. Trustee Bergdorf indicated that the financial report from the Hall Committee as requested by the Trustee has been received. However, Trustee Bergdorf forgot to bring the same to the meeting. He will get a copy to the Trustees for their review.

Police Protection, etc. There were further discussions regarding police protection, etc. Amy Anderson, who has been working on the house numbers/signage issues for the township, indicated that she has received a positive response from many citizens for this project. At the present time, the project will most likely consist of a black sign with appropriate numerals on each sign similar to what is used in Richfield Township. Ms. Anderson is in the process of obtaining a prototype of the sign. She has checked with the Fireman's Association and there is the possibility of working with them to effectuate the project. She will keep the Trustees advised.

Valley Fire District Update. Trustee Puchalsky indicated that the next meeting of the Valley Fire District is October 14, 1999 at 7:00 P.M. He indicated that, hopefully, the lease with the Town Hall Committee would be signed at that time and that further discussions would be had regarding the proposed renovations of the fire building. He will keep the Trustees informed.

Road Department. Trustees advised there is no new business regarding any road problems. Trustee Bergdorf asked that Tim Tesmer, Road Superintendent, be contacted to verify that the road department is ready for the upcoming winter season regarding snow removal, etc. The Trustees will review these matters with Tim Tesmer.

Union Cemetery. Amy Anderson gave a brief update on various issues regarding the cemetery including the fence installation, marking of graves, etc. These issues will be pursued by the Cemetery Board. She will advise the Trustees of any problems.

New contracts. Motion by Bergdorf seconded by Anderson to accept the cooperative agreement concerning the Wetmore Road project with the Park. All voting yes. **Motion** by Bergdorf seconded by Anderson to accept the Oak Hill-Everett Road guardrail agreement with the National Park Service. All voting yes.

Future Planning. No new business. Trustee Bergdorf will contact Peggy Spraggins.

Zoning. Wes Bergdorf gave a report on the conference held in Cleveland on zoning issues. He indicated that the conference was beneficial and addressed many issues involving the board of appeals. He suggested that the trustees continuing sending representatives to the conferences inasmuch as they are worthwhile.

Legal counsel Pulekings asked Mr. Bergdorf if he had heard anything further from the ski run regarding an application to the zoning commission or the Board of Zoning Appeals. Mr. Bergdorf indicated that there has been no contact with the ski run to his knowledge. Mr. Pulekings advised that Judge Schneideman contacted him relative to the status of this matter. The case is set for a status conference with the Judge and the attorneys in the near future. He will keep the Trustees advised of all developments. At the present time, the Order issued by the Court for a preliminary injunction is still in effect.

There were no other zoning issues.

MOTION by Amy Anderson seconded by John Puchalsky to accept the payroll as prepared by Clerk Kaczmarek. All voting yes.

MOTION by Amy Anderson seconded by John Puchalsky to pay the bills prepared by Clerk Kaczmariski. All voting yes.

MOTION by Amy Anderson seconded by John Puchalsky to adjourn. All voting yes. Meeting duly adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

DEPUTY CLERK