

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Boston Township Board of Trustees Meeting

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Present were Trustees Randy Bergdorf, Daniel Schneider and Joseph Broderick, Clerk Frank Kaczmarek and Legal Counsel Ed Pullekins.

Chairman Randy Bergdorf called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm and turned the meeting over to Mel Kosanchik, Deputy Planning Engineer, of the Summit County Engineer's office.

Mr. Kosanchik briefly described the background and history of the Seasons Road Extension Project, and the availability of the Project Plan Report before introducing Mr. Spagnuolo and Mr. Rich Miggelbrink, of Spagnuolo and Associates.

Mr. Miggelbrink discussed the Plan and answered questions from the audience. Some of the comments were: "Sewers would take 4 to 10 years for completion after the community decides to have them installed.", "Water is not an engineering problem, but a hot political issue.", "There is nothing in the report concerning a possible annexation by Cuyahoga Falls."

Mr. Miggelbrink said that the purpose of the report is to have people plan for the future. The report is a "generalized report", and no properties were considered. He indicated that these items would enter into process when the design becomes more detailed. He said that the purpose of the presentation was to increase "public awareness" and to solicit ideas and concerns from the community.

Mr. Dewey Hansen told the Board that he had purchased the former John Krosinski home from the National Park Service and that he was going to have the house moved to Richfield Township from its present location on Hines Hill Road. He indicated that he may need some help from the Township in getting some trees removed along the roadway in preparation for the move. Legal Counsel Pullekins told the Board and Mr. Hansen that this particular problem does not involve the Township. Permission to remove trees or limbs along the roadway must be obtained from the National Park Service.

Chairman Bergdorf then opened discussion with Mr. Clapp and Mrs. Hansen concerning the Tennis Courts at Woodridge Middle School. Mr. Bergdorf indicated that the Trustees want out of the Tennis Court Business and that they were open to any options or ideas concerning the situation. Trustee Bergdorf and Trustee Schneider both indicated that the Township might be willing to help in obtaining needed repairs. Legal Counsel Pullekins offered that the lease agreement between the Township and the School Board has probably lapsed and has not been renewed. If this is the case, a new lease must be entered into before the Township can legally make any improvements to the tennis courts. Chairman Bergdorf mentioned that the estimated cost of repair to the courts is \$295.00. Trustee Schneider said that the estimate did not include costs for repairing the lights. Mr. Clapp indicated that he would initiate a request for a report on the condition of the tennis courts and contact Trustee Schneider after receiving the results of that request.

Mr. Kosanchik thanked the Board for having the Public Meeting regarding the Seasons Road Extension Report. Then, in regards to a previous request, he said that the County could not take over maintenance of Oak Hill Road, in the area of Wheatley Road. Trustee Schneider asked that a meeting concerning the Wheatley Road plans be scheduled. The meeting was then scheduled for 10:00 am, July 6, 1992, at the Township Hall.

92-0624-01 Trustee Bergdorf made a motion, seconded by Trustee Schneider, to accept the minutes of the June 10, 1992, meeting. Voting yes were Daniel Schneider, Randy Bergdorf and Joe Broderick. Motion passed.

92-0624-02 Trustee Schneider made a motion, seconded by Trustee Bergdorf, to approve the payroll and payment of the bills as presented. Voting yes were Broderick, Schneider and Bergdorf. Motion passed.

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Clerk Kaczmarek presented the 1993 budget and mentioned that this budget was a working document and that the Trustees and Clerk should study the proposed budget and make any changes before adoption. He asked that the hearing be continued until the next regularly scheduled meeting. The Trustees agreed with the Clerk's request.

Clerk Kaczmarek reminded the Trustees that they still had not taken any action on the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council's request for a contribution in support of the Council for the next fiscal year. He also indicated that the 1991 Attorney General Opinion No. 91-071 indicates that a township has the authority to make contributions of public money to a community improvement corporation in order to defray the administrative expenses of the community improvement corporation. Chairman Bergdorf made a motion, seconded by Trustee Broderick, that a contribution of \$ 800.00 be made to the Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council for General Support of the Council. Voting yes were Broderick, Bergdorf and Schneider. Motion passed.

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Legal Council Pullekens said that he was expecting a time table on the Oak Hill Road Project from JDB&A, Inc. He indicated that all required information regarding the issue II Grant had been sent to the State but that there apparently was some mix-up and that he would check into the situation as soon as possible.

Trustee Schneider reported that Jackie Matice of the Summit Akron Solid Waste Mgt Dept would furnish the Township with a listing of all haulers with curb side pick-up. He also indicated that he would contact A&B and Immediate Disposal, among others, to invite them to make presentations to the Board.

Road Superintendent, Doug Anderson, reported that the State had removed the "Graffiti" from the Hines Hill Road bridge over Route 271. He also indicated that he would be seeking estimates for road improvement as soon as he receives estimates from the County engineer.

Dan Schneider reported that he and Mr. Anderson were investigating possible sites for leaf disposal.

Trustee Broderick asked that the clerk research the payroll records from 1983 through 1986 to determine the number of graves dug by township employes and then request that \$ 105.00 for each of those incidents be requested from the Cemetery Board.

Chairman Bergdorf then presented copies of letters from the Gar Foundation and The Cleveland Restoration Society. (See attached.) He also presented the Proposed Police Department Budget. At the request of Trustee Schneider, discussion on the proposed budget was tabled until the next meeting.

Chairman Bergdorf indicated that we should proceed quickly with the Township Hall Grant Request and Counsel Pullekens said that he would prepare the necessary contracts and send them to Mr. Bergdorf.

Trustee Schneider made a motion, seconded by Trustee Broderick, to hire Electro-Mech Engineering, Inc. to complete Design for Phase I (Electric Service Upgrade). Voting yes were Trustees Bergdorf, Broderick and Schneider. Motion passed.

92-0624-04

Chairman Bergdorf then presented the current land use map and said that he would forward it on to Zoning Inspector, Jim Jones, for his review.

Chairman Bergdorf asked if there were any objections to allowing participants in the Library bus trip programs to use Township grounds for parking their cars. Trustee Schneider indicated that the only problem might be blocked access to fire vehicles in the event of a fire call. Fire Captain, Doug Anderson, offered that during the last bus trip,

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participants had parked on the grounds in a responsible manner and that no blockage occurred.

Mr. Nick DiBardi reported that he felt a safety hazard was in existence at the corner of Akron-Cleveland and Kendall Roads. A snow plow was positioned just a few inches off the roadway. He also requested that the Police Department patrol the Route 8 area more often, especially on nights of concerts at Blossom Music Center.

Chairman Bergdorf reported that this would be the last official meeting for Trustee Joe Broderick who will be retiring after 10 1/2 years of service as Trustee. He thanked Mr. Broderick for his years of service and wished him well in his retirement.

92-0624-05 Trustee Schneider made a motion, seconded by Bergdorf, to adjourn. Voting "yes" were Bergdorf, Schneider and Broderick. The meeting was duly adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Clerk

Chairman



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Dear Mr. Sulzer:

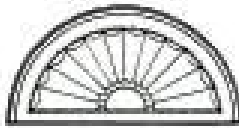
Kathleen Crowther, Director of the Cleveland Restoration Society has asked me to make an evaluation of the architectural and townscape qualities of the Boston Township Hall on behalf of the Society. I am happy to do so. Allow me to fully endorse your plans to restore the historic Boston Township Hall Building. I have personally visited the site and have reviewed your plans. The building merits preservation and your plans are in keeping with high historic preservation standards.

As you may be aware, I hold degrees in architecture and planning and am a registered architect (AIA), certified planner (AICP). I am also currently a vice-president of the Cleveland Restoration Society and Emeritus Professor of Architecture and Environmental Design at Kent State University, past president of Akron Chapter, AIA; member of the National Regional and Urban Design Committee of the American Institute of Architecture and co-author of A Guide to Cleveland's Sacred Landmarks. I thus feel qualified to comment on the architectural and townscape qualities of the Boston Township Hall.

Architecturally, the township hall and former schoolhouse is the largest scale and most significant stick-style structure in northeast Ohio. It must be preserved for that reason alone. However, the structure also contributes significantly to the district in which it is located and occupies a prominent position in the Village of Peninsula both physically and culturally. It is not only the largest and most interesting structure at the town's major intersection, it has also served many generations of village citizens in various ways. It thus represents the citizens' collective memory and physically and symbolically marks the heart of the village. Without the structure the "place" of Peninsula would be diminished.

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The building's remarkable Stick-style surface treatment, wood clapboards and battens laid in a variety of horizontal, vertical and diagonal patterns, was popularized in the 1850's by publications such as Cottage Residences and Country Homes by Andrew Jackson Downing and Rural Residences by Gervase Wheeler and is rare in this region. The porch features several Stick-style details such as diagonal crossed spindles and corner brackets that are quite unique.

The buildings form and mass are characteristic of the Shingle-style, also developed in the mid-19th century. The asymmetrical design of the structure's roof planes and octagonal bell tower rising from a shed roof are typical of the complexities which result in a picturesque silhouette in spite of a simple plan. The overall effect is quite whimsical and romantic.

The quality of interior light is another special feature of this structure. Lighting effects are enhanced by the grouping of windows in sets of twos and threes arranged to highlight the interior space. The Peninsula schoolhouse has very tall windows--nearly 10 feet high, located on the east and west sides, these provide exceptional daylighting for the classrooms. The front facade is marked by an asymmetrical arrangement of windows which coincide with the path of the stair. The stairs are particularly well-lit, with light entering from three sides.

These architectural and townscape qualities make the Boston Township Hall rare and interesting. The Cleveland Restoration Society, therefore, urges the structures preservation and renewal. Please feel free to use this letter of endorsement in your fundraising efforts.

Sincerely,

Foster D. Armstrong, AIA, AIAF
Trustee

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