

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Boston Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

1990

Ballou's Graphics Corp., Oak, D. Form No. 327

Held

November 11, 1990

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Present were Trustees Dan Schneider, Randy Bergdorf, Joe Broderick, Clerk John Krusinski and Legal Counsel Ed Pulekda.

Dan Schneider called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

The first order of business was presented by Jim Jones. He reported that S.A.L. Enterprise as well as Tamsin Park owned by the Forester's have several zoning violations as well as fire and safety violations. Mr. Tom Jones presented a list of the violations (see attached). The trustees asked zoning inspection Jim Jones and fire officials to inspect the property at 8:00 a.m. Thursday morning. Tom & Bertha Jones want immediate action.

Jim Jones reported that there is candy stored in Jim Redmon's pole barn, and will be removed within 30 days. Jim Jones will inspect further to see if any health regulations are being violated.

Jim Jones wanted a clarification if hunting was permitted at the Boyscout Camp. The trustees said it was OK.

Joe Broderick made a motion to pay payroll and the following bills. Dan Schneider seconded the motion. Voting yes: Joe Broderick, Dan Schneider and Randy Bergdorf. Motion passed.

Alltel Corp. - \$59.01

Ohio Edison - \$185.29

Ohio Transport Inc. - \$29.50

Front Automotive Co. - \$82.70

Allied Peterbilt - \$134.50

Austin Ignition - \$85.66

Mark Hillwede - \$250.00

Ohio Edison - \$898.25

Cuyahoga Landmark - \$823.55

Valley Ford Truck Sales - \$229.22

East Ohio Gas Co. - \$48.22

Cenveit Corp. - \$53.88

Summit Crusted Limestone - \$556.18

Joe Broderick discussed the police budget. He also reported that the police felt the Parks Environmental Campus should not be a burden to them. He also presented a letter from Sheriff Troutman stating that the cost for housing a prisoner is now \$110.00 per day.

Joe Broderick made a motion to accept the minutes of the 10-9-90 meeting with the following correction (the motion to work in principal with the community movement to renovate the town hall was made by Joe Broderick) Dan Schneider seconded the motion. Voting yes: Joe Broderick, Dan Schneider and Randy Bergdorf. Motion passed.

Joe Broderick made a motion to pay Peninsula Village \$118,500.00 for police protection as per the old contract recognizing that the trustees still have not gotten a reply regarding payment for use of cars by the Coliseum and Blossom. Dan Schneider seconded the motion. Voting yes: Joe Broderick, Dan Schneider and Randy Bergdorf. Motion passed.

Joe Broderick said the Township Hall Committee approached him about the septic system. We still are waiting for word from Summit County.

Clerk John Krusinski will check with Doug Anderson and reply to Akron Welding and Spring regarding lease of fuel tanks.

Clerk John Krusinski reported that the renewal fee on the bond for Jim Jones and Doug Anderson will be \$125.00 each. They must be renewed by December 1st.

Dan Schneider will check with Empaco to see when our underground tanks will be removed.

Ed Pulekda had discussions with Dick Steiger of Seibert-Kock Insurance, we may be able to save up to 50%.

Ed Pulekda discussed payment to Redlin Rubbish, he will continue to work with them to resolve questions.

Dan Schneider reported that a representative from Vaughn Insurance Company wants to meet with us in March so they can give us a quote for next year.

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Randy Bergdorf read a letter from Marty Giffith that will be published in the community news.

Dan Schneider made a motion to adjourn, Joe Broderick seconded the motion. Voting yes: Dan Schneider, Joe Broderick and Randy Bergdorf. Motion passed. The meeting was duly adjourned.

Clerk

Chairman

WEDNESDAY FORUM

Boston Twp. trustee on campus plan for park

The writer is a resident of Boston Township and vice chairman of the township board of trustees.

THIS REGARDS the Oct. 18 Beacon Journal article headlined "Township wants help with road," which dealt with the location of the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area's environmental education campus on Oak Hill Road in Boston Township.

It does not matter if we, the trustees, are for or against the location of this campus in the CVNRA and the township. As with so many other aspects of the CVNRA, we have never been afforded the luxury of being for or against anything. The CVNRA is a fact of life, regardless of our wishes or desires.

Many other towns such as Brecksville or Bath Township can consider the CVNRA as a complement to their communities. Housing on the fringe of CVNRA brings high prices and governments can lure businesses, citing the amenities the CVNRA could provide employees. However, those communities have a fraction of their geographic areas in the CVNRA. Boston Township, on the other hand, is projected to have 80 percent of its land area purchased by the CVNRA.

As the CVNRA continues to purchase our community, the properties are removed from local tax rolls. While our revenues are going down, we must still provide services — fire and rescue, police protection, road maintenance, snow removal — to the entire township, regardless of the number of taxpaying residents. The costs of these services continue to increase, causing our operating budgets to escalate.

We were quite surprised to learn that the CVNRA had plans to install a 110-bed environmental education campus at the end of Oak Hill, a two-mile long, dead-end road.

During the course of a year this campus is supposed to accommodate 16,000-plus students who will be staying overnight for periods of three to four days. It seems illogical to locate children at the end of a closed road, when a catastrophe could prevent emergency services reaching this area. We do not wish to take on this added responsibility and liability.

Also, Oak Hill Road was, until recent

Guest viewpoint

Randolph S. Bergdorf



years, a dirt, farming road. Boston Township improved it enough to make it suitable to serve the residential neighborhood on Oak Hill and Scoble roads.

While the CVNRA minimizes the impact that hundreds of school buses taking children to the campus will have on the road, it fails to take into account the extra support vehicles — construction equipment, milk trucks, road trucks, garbage trucks — and their impact. Within a year's time, the road will be broken up and peppered with potholes.

Boston Township does not have the wherewithal to continue to subsidize the increased activities and visitor-use areas of the CVNRA. The CVNRA is developing areas throughout the township that make extensive use of township roads — the Wetmore Horse Center, Brandywine Falls, Krjel's dump, the Oak Hill areas — which are taxing our infrastructure systems to the maximum.

The CVNRA does pay the fire department \$3,500 a year for fire protection and the township \$150 in lieu of taxes lost to land acquisition. These revenues hardly cover the costs to maintain the services that all visitors to the CVNRA enjoy.

The CVNRA is not obligated to consider the effects its programs and activities will have on the township. Nor is it required to obey our zoning regulations or our planning commission recommendations. But if the CVNRA is truly "for all people, for all time," it is going to have to share in the costs to maintain the infrastructure in its boundaries.

We are told that this would require an act of Congress. We ask that such legislation be introduced before we are forced to close more roads and cut back even more services.

For the last 15 years, we have been biting the bullet and subsidizing these costs, but the handwriting is on the wall, and some of us, township trustees or park visitors, like the message.