

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Boston Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 25, 1990

Held

September 25, 1990

7:00 p.m.

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Present were Trustees Randy Bergdorf, Joe Broderick, Clerk John Krustinski and Legal Council Ed Pullekina.

Co-chairman Randy Bergdorf called the meeting to order 7:00p.m.

Randy Bergdorf made a motion to allow the Election Board to use the Boston Township Hall on election day. Joe Broderick seconded the motion. Voting yes: Randy Bergdorf and Joe Broderick. Motion passed.

Joe Broderick made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 28, 1990 and the September 5, 1990 meetings. Randy Bergdorf seconded the motion. Voting yes: Joe Broderick and Randy Bergdorf. Motion passed.

Ed Pullekina reported that the Valley Fire District sold the chassis for \$9,525.00. There were no bids on the squad, although a fire department in Southern Ohio may be interested. The funds from the sale will be held in a special fund.

The collections on rescue calls are running 50%, approximately \$8,500.00 has been collected.

Ed Pullekina reported on the Rt 8 zoning matter with United Foundations - a pre-trial hearing will be held 10/12/90.

Randy Bergdorf opened the meeting for discussion with a contingent from the trailer park regarding rubbish pick-up. Dale Faust was their spokesman - he suggested possible alternate plans. It was suggested that they investigate alternate plans and companies and report their findings to the Trustees.

Randy Bergdorf introduced Carl Skalek - the chairman of the Autumn Leaves Biathlon - he presented his program to the trustees.

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

Distillate Co. - \$21.80	Acron Beacon Journal - \$206.70
Ohio Edison - \$158.92	Terry Lumber Co. - \$60.36
Blue Cross - \$924.92	Acron Auto & Truck Tire - \$64.81
Cuyahoga Landmark - \$1,363.51	Superior Asphalt - \$35,103.56
Mar-Zane Inc. - \$1,188.24	Redlin Rubbish - \$6,498.75
1st National Bank - \$1,235.86	P.E.R.S. - \$642.79
Treasurer State of Ohio - \$672.61	Central Collection Agency - \$248.18
Texas Refinery Corp. - \$251.50	Martin Wheel - \$27.50

Randy Bergdorf apologized to the library for any inconvenience we caused getting our new rubbish program started and gave thanks to them.

Attached is a news release by the Oak Hill Home Owners Assoc. regarding the Oak Hill Center.

The E.P.A. to review our septic tank plans for a permit to install the septic system.

Ed Pullekina answers to 1. appropriation of township monies 2. gifts and charitable works with regards to the I.R.S. (see attached)

Joe Broderick made a motion to repair the township garage door at the approximate cost of \$318.00. Randy Bergdorf seconded the motion. Voting yes: Joe Broderick and Randy Bergdorf. Motion passed.

Randy Bergdorf reported that Doug Anderson needs new tires on the pick-up truck.

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Randy Bergdorf reported that Boston Hts. was planning to spend \$50,000.00 on a new township garage (just the shell).

Randy Bergdorf made a motion to adjourn. Joe Broderick seconded the motion. Voting yes: Randy Bergdorf and Joe Broderick. Motion passed.

The meeting was duly adjourned.

Co-Chairman

Clerk

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Tomorrow

MUST ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CAUSE DAMAGE?

The Cayahoga Valley National Recreation Area has announced plans to create an Environmental Education Campus centered around a group of homes located on Oak Hill Rd. in Boston Township. While supporting the need for outdoor education for the schools, in-holders of this residential area of the 33,000 acre Park requested a meeting with Superintendent John Debo to object to the location. Unanimously opposed Township trustees and a large turnout of concerned residents bombarded Debo with questions regarding extra costs to the financially-strapped Township (pop. 1312). Other questions concerned local liability due to increased traffic on small, minimally maintained roads, security for residents and children in the program, sewage disposal, parking lots, and the Park's ability to maintain the facility in the light of possible Federal budget cuts.

The location of the Campus is an emotional issue. Original plans for the CVNRA called for the purchase of 25-30 properties in the river valley. Now, eighty percent of Boston Township is owned by the Park, but it contributes just \$191/year in lieu of taxes. Remaining residents bear the burden for schools (highest area cost/student because of small enrollment), road maintenance and all other services, yet real estate taxes generate only \$10,000/year. All other funds come from an endowment, which is slowly being eroded to meet the budget, and therefore will not last forever. Boston Township cannot afford to subsidize increasing municipal services for the Federal Government.

When the land acquisition program expanded, forced out property owners on Oak Hill asked, in court battles, why the Park wanted their property. Then Superintendent Birdsell stated this area was to be an undeveloped buffer between non-Park land and the Valley. When Oak Hill Day Use Area was planned (and unsuccessful fought by residents), the Park promised this land would be for DAY USE ONLY. Now, plans call for up to 50,000 overnight users/days/year on the campus. This location was "ideal" because it puts to use houses the Park owns. Debo stated there is virtually no chance that the site will be changed. He is willing to let neighbors have a voice in decisions on driveway and parking location, but resists building a Park owned driveway from county maintained Riverview Rd. (Township roads designed for light residential traffic will be severely damaged by construction vehicles and service trucks necessitated by the current plan, costing more in road maintenance.)

Environmental education is a wonderful goal, supported by all. Residents contend both past promises and environmental education would be better served by finding an alternate site for the Park's program. The plan calls for creating two 75 bed dormitories from two single-family homes. The Oak Hill Area Committee, formed from those at the public meeting, has appealed to Mr. Debo to re-consider changing sites. They are currently researching existing facilities within the Park (the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts both have year-round camps that are designed to handle large numbers of people) better suited to house, feed, bathe and teach the expected students. New construction, designed for the purpose, would also cost less, work better and can be located to honor promises and minimize hardship on the Township. Foundations have agreed to provide nearly \$7 million for remodeling and construction costs. It is hoped that that money can be reassigned to be used more wisely.

Residents have an answer to the question of what to do with the houses the Park owns: put them up for sale and get them back on the tax rolls. That way there will be more people to pay for the local services Park users enjoy. Will anybody listen?