

**VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, January 9, 2018  
7:00 PM**

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The regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Boston Heights Council was called to order at 7:07 PM on Tuesday, January 9, 2017, by Mayor Bill Goncy

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present:

Ron Antal (arrived at 7:14 p.m.)  
Bob Bartko  
Janet Miller  
Heather Davis  
Ron Fenn  
Don Polyak

Other Officials Present:

Bill Goncy, Mayor  
Betty Klingenberg, Fiscal Officer  
Marshal Pitchford, Solicitor  
Brian Gorog, Zoning Inspector

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**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL**

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented to Council made by **H. Davis** and seconded by **D. Polyak**

Motion passed by Roll Call 4-1

B. Bartko - Abstain

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## OPEN FORUM

### Richard Herbig

- Podium indicates five minutes to speak
- Looked at drawings and wants to know if the City Hall is a freebie or if the Residents of Boston Heights will be paying for it
  - Mayor Goncy informed Mr. Herbig that the plans he looked at have not been presented to any body, Planning Commission or Council it is merely an idea
- Building a home in Boston Heights requires an acre and half of land and must be 1,500 square feet; and, with that comes a triangle of noise and air pollution
- Believes the proposed ordinances 2017-12-20 & 2017-12-22 is slap in the face to property owners. Mr. Herbig believes it to be a scam and assault to the current residents of Boston Heights

### Mary Griffiths

- Greenspace not where promised
- Noise from traffic continues for 5 hours or more
- Has not opened her windows since 1982
- Vibration felt inside home
- Pot holes not patched
- 400 condos will crowd a very small space
- Village has been divided and is getting worse

### Neil Kacmarcik

- Does not think it would be in the best interest of the Village to sign an agreement for 15 years when the Village has no clue as to who will be taking care of the property
- The Village should consider tax breaks to longtime residents

### Bob Galus

- Has been 12 months since approaching Council regarding the neighboring property to him; illegally pumping water on his property
- Water line move water line closer to his property line
- Problem is worse now than ever
- Issues with paying for trash pickup; why is it mandatory to recycle
  - Mayor Goncy explained to Mr. Galus that it is a Federal Law that the Village provides recycling to the residents; as part of the 2007 contract recycling is included in trash pickup

Bill Hinkle

- Urges Council to tread carefully and not to rush with the proposed residential Community Investment Area
- The Village should not finance the tax burden of a large residential development

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**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 2018-1-1**  
(First Reading)

A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE PRESIDENT PRO  
TEMPORE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF  
BOSTON HEIGHTS AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-Reading Rule made by **R. Antal** and seconded by **J. Miller**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by **H. Davis** and seconded by **R. Antal**

**Heather Davis** moves to nominate **D. Polyak**

**R. Antal** asks that nominations be closed

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

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**Approval of Council Meeting Minutes dated Tuesday, December 12, 2017 & the Special Council Meeting, December 19, 2017**

Motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes made by **J. Miller** and seconded by **R. Antal**

Motion passed by Roll Call 5-1

H. Davis – Abstain

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Motion to reappoint Michael Bush as alternate Board of Zoning Appeals for the term 01/01/2018 – 12/31/2018 made by **D. Polyak** and seconded by **B. Bartko**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

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**ORDINANCES:**

**ORDINANCE 2017-12-20**  
(Second Reading)

A ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING SECTIONS 3735.65 THROUGH 3735.70 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, ESTABLISHING AND DESCRIBING THE BOUNDARIES OF A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA IN THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS, OHIO, DESIGNATING A HOUSING OFFICER TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Discussion held with questions from the Council with regards to tax abatement

- Marshal Pitchford gave explanation that this is only authorizing an application to be sent to the State of Ohio, this does not authorize the completion
- The previous CRA did not include new residential development

Moved to Third Reading on 01/18/2018

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**ORDINANCE 2017-12-22**  
(Second Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Marshal Pitchford suggested to Council to table motion until the Council meeting on April 10, 2018 and to schedule a public hearing on March 13, 2018 at 6 PM

Motion to table made by **R. Fenn** and seconded by **R. Antal**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0  
Table Motion

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**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION 2018-1-2**  
(First Reading)

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL TO VARIOUS COUNCIL COMMITTEES, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 2018 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-Reading Rule made by **R. Fenn** and seconded by **R. Antal**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by **J. Miller** and seconded by **H. Davis**

Discussion held

Change the Road Committee meetings to 6 PM

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

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**RESOLUTION 2018-1-3**  
(First Reading)

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE USE RATE  
AND RENTAL RATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF  
BOSTON HEIGHTS POOL, PARK, AND PAVILLION  
FOR THE YEAR 2018

Motion to suspend the 3-Reading Rule made by **J. Miller** and seconded by **R. Antal**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by **R. Antal** and seconded by **J. Miller**

Discussion held

Rates remain the same

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

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**RESOLUTION 2018-1-4**  
(First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF  
THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS TO ENTER  
INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GANNETT FLEMING  
ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS, P.C. REGARDING  
AKRON CLEVELAND ROAD / TRAIL SLOPE  
INSTABILITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-Reading Rule made by **R. Antal** and seconded by **H. Davis**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by **R. Antal** and seconded by **J. Miller**

Discussion held

- ODOT has agreed to contribute to the costs of repair as well as the Metro parks
- Council expressed concerns with Gannett Fleming as they repaired issues before and still failing
- D. Polyak questions whether or not there is another engineering firm that can repair the problem
  - Going with Gannett Fleming is the best option so project does not have to go out for rebidding

Amendment suggestion by Marshal Pitchford within section one to: strike “and directed”; and in the third line insert “in affirm substantially similar to the”, strike “said” and strike “is”

Friendly amendment motion made by **D. Polyak** and seconded by **R. Fenn**

Motion passed by Roll Call 5-1  
B. Bartko (no)

Motion to adopt as amended 5-1  
B. Bartko (no)

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**RESOLUTION 2018-1-5**  
(First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PERMANENT  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON  
HEIGHTS FOR TH YEAR 2017 AND DECLARING AN  
EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-Reading Rule made by **D. Polyak** and seconded by **R. Antal**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by **D. Polyak** and seconded by **R. Antal**

Motion passed by Roll Call 6-0

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**MAYOR:**

- Gave Annual Report
- 2017 Simple Recycling total received was \$48.36
- 2017 River Valley Paper total received was \$158.64
- Valley Fire District Report reported 227 calls total in 2017

**FISCAL OFFICER:**

- NONE
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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

SAFETY COMMITTEE / VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT R. Antal

- No Report

ROADS COMMITTEE / CEMETERY TRUSTEES R. FENN

- Roads meeting time changed to 6 PM

LANDS AND BUILDING / PARK J. MILLER

- Mathews Thomas Park Report has positive balance

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT J. MILLER

- No report

PLANNING COMMISSION / BZA D. POLYAK

- BZA did not meet
- Reelected J. Codrea as Chair

ENGINEER B. GOROG

- Did not score high enough in OPWC for funding for Boston Mills Road
  - Villages population is under 5000, therefore; we did qualify for small Government funding; application for Boston Mills Road phase 1 & 2, due February 8, 2018
  - Summit DSS has procon meeting on 1/16/2018
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**OLD BUSINESS:**

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**NEW BUSINESS:** Special Council meeting to be held on January 23, 2018 to consider zoning change

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**REMINDER:**

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**EXECTUIVE SESSION:** No Executive Session

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**ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn was made by **D. Polyak** and seconded by **R. Fenn**

All in favor

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM

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(Attested by Betty Klingenberg, Fiscal Officer)

Date