## Village of Boston Heights

# **Newsletter**

# January – February 2010

Village Offices are open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM [closed for lunch 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM] Village Office phone number: 330.650.4111 Office e-mail: mabode@roadrunner.com

# **UPCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS**

Council Meeting, January 13, 2010, 8 PM

## JAROD DEAN MEMORIAL SERVICE

January 19, 2010, Noon
Fairview Cemetery
Safety Forces Memorial Garden
[See detail page within this newsletter]

Finance Meeting, January 26, 2010, 7 PM

# SPECIAL ELECTION

February 2, 2010, 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM Nordonia Hills School District Levy Only [Clerk of Courts Office Closed This Date Due to Election]

Council Meeting, February 10, 2010, 8 PM

Finance Meeting, February 23, 2010, 7 PM

# SCHEDULED MEETINGS

All meetings listed below are open to the public and meet at Hall unless otherwise noted:

Village

<u>COUNCIL MEETINGS</u> –Regularly scheduled each second Wednesday of month. Special meetings called when needed.

**FINANCE MEETINGS** – Regularly scheduled each fourth Tuesday of the month except the December meeting is on the third Tuesday.

## PLANNING COMMISSION & BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Regularly scheduled for the first Wed. of each month, as needed. Each committee meets individually and the agenda is set beforehand. Agenda items must be submitted 15 days prior to the meeting date to the Village Clerk's office. Call to verify if a PC/BZA meeting is to be held. Council representative to both is the Chair of <u>Planning & Zoning</u>.

<u>FAIRVIEW CEMETERY TRUSTEES</u> meet quarterly. Trustees and Sexton control operation of Fairview Cemetery. Call Village Hall, 330-650-4111 to arrange a meeting or learn of quarterly meeting times.

<u>COMPREHENSIVE ZONING PLAN COMMITTEE</u> - meets on fourth Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 PM. Next meeting Jan. 27.

**PARK BOARD** – meet first Thursdays at 7 PM. Next meeting Feb. 4.

<u>VILLAGE ENGINEER</u>- will answer your engineering questions by appointment. Call Village Hall, 330.650.4111, to schedule an appointment for evenings during the week.

**FAIRVIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION** is a volunteer group in support of Fairview Cemetery. They meet first Mondays at 7 PM and have work sessions on Saturdays during warmer months.

PLEASE CALL VILLAGE HALL TO CONFIRM IF A MEETING WILL BE HELD.

# Mayor's Report

Council has approved an agreement with First Energy Solutions for a 6% reduction of residential electric generation charges for Boston Heights residents. Commercial (business) accounts will receive a 4% reduction. The agreement is for a nine-year period and allows you, the customer, to opt out of the agreement (if you desire) at three different times. Those times are in the beginning, after a three-year period and after a six-year period at not cost to you. More details will be forthcoming from your electric provider, First Energy. The Village also received a grant of \$50,000 for joining the program. This income can be used for improvements around the village.

Many of you may have seen the Northeastern Ohio Regional Sewer District [NEORSD] proposal for imposing a storm water utility fee upon all residents who are connected to the sanitary sewer in Boston Heights and the rest of Summit County. Summit County in conjunction with all the affected communities (including Boston Heights) has voiced opposition to the proposal and Summit County on behalf of all the affected communities has filed suit asking to exclude Summit County communities from the proposed fee. The communities involved agree for the need of a storm water management program in the area but have not received clarification of what storm water projects if any would occur in Summit County and none of the communities nor Summit County presently have representation on the controlling board of the NEORSD.

I have asked ODOT to place a "NO TURN ON RED" sign at eastbound Hines Hill Road and southbound Rt. 8 temporary intersection as a matter of safety for motorists turning southbound. ODOT can place signs within the construction zone to control safe motoring. There is a limited sight distance to the north at that temporary intersection and both residents and police have reported that issue. Please use caution when turning southbound on red in that area.

# Village Legislation

## **Ordinances**

- #16-2009 Amended the general employment provisions [Chapter 141.01(b)] of the Codified Ordinances entitled "Road Department Superintendent".
- #17-2009 Amended the general employment provisions [Chapter 147.17] of the Codified Ordinances named "Procedure for dismissal or suspension of a Village employee".
- #18-2009 Amended the permanent annual appropriations [Ordinance 2 2009] to reflect any and all changes necessary to balance the account within each fund as needed.
- #19-2009 Chapter 143 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Boston Heights was amended to state no residency requirement is connected to the position of "Village Engineer".
- #20-2009 Amended the Codified Ordinances [147.03(b)(3)] entitled "Work Week".
- #21-2009 Amended Chapter 137 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Boston Heights to remove the residency requirement for the Police Chief.
- #22-2009 Approved the Temporary Annual Appropriations of the Village of Boston Heights for the Year 2010.

## **Resolutions**

#29-2009 Authorized the Mayor to enter into agreement with First Energy Solutions for the exclusive right of electric aggregation services in the Village of Boston Heights.

- #30-2009 Provided for employment of officials and certain employees of the Village of Boston Heights for the Year 2010.
- #31-2009 Authorized the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer to purchase five new police cruisers and to trade-in five currently owned cruisers toward the cost of the new cruisers.
- #1 2010 Elected Janet Miller the 2010 President Pro Tem of Council.
- #2 2010 Designated Council members to 2010 committees.
- #3 2010 Appointed Kathleen May to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

## **Motions**

Approved the October 2009 Financial Statement.

# Police Department

Chief Varga asks all residents and business owners to report any suspicious activity in the Village to the department by calling: 330-653-5911 the non-emergency number or in an emergency please call: 911.

# Road department

Christmas trees will be picked up for mulching when roadways are cleared of snow. Place them by roadway when weather allows pickup. Please remove vehicles from village roadways to facilitate snow removal.

# VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS

## PLANNING COMMISSION

Michael Bush Term: Expires 12/31/2012

7129 Colesbrooke Drive Hudson, OH 44236

330-342-0873; mabush@roadrunner.com

Robert Campbell Term: Expires 12/31/2012

7032 Olde Eight Road Hudson, OH 44236 330-656-3970; no e-mail

John Codrea, Chair for 2010 Term: Expires 12/31/2010

6563 Olde Eight Road Peninsula, OH 44264

330-655-7714; jcodrea@windstream.net

Mayor Bill Goncy

Council Representative Don Polyak

## FAIRVIEW CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Kim Brannan Term: 1/1/2005 - 12/31/2010

330-752-4479

Carol Fenn Term: 1/1/2009 – 12/31/2014

330-653-8362

Patricia Fenn Term: 1/1/2007 – 12/31/2012

## **BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

Edward Fetko Term: 1/1/2009 – 12/31/2012

586 Meadowridge Way Hudson, OH 44236

330-342-9063; efetko\_mic@windstream.com

William Hinkle, Chair for 2010 Term: 1/1/2007 – 12/31/2010

420 East Boston Mills Road

Hudson, OH 44236; wjhinkle@bostonheights.org

Kathy May Term: 1/1/2010 – 12/31/2013

7695 Olde Eight Road Hudson, OH 44236

330-656-4071; vandkmay@yahoo.com

Laurie Ann Stoddard Term: 1/1/2008 – 12/31/2011

7086 Colesbrooke Hudson, OH 44236

330-650-0720; <u>lstodda1@kent.edu</u>

Council Representative Don Polyak

## PARK ADVISORY BOARD

330-655-7961	Term: 1/1/08 – 12/31/11
330-656-5099	Term: 1/1/09 – 12/31/12
330-342-3514	Term: 1/1/09 – 12/31/12
330-656-1831	Term: 1/1/09 – 12/31/12
330-342-3779	Term: 1/1/10 – 12/31/13
330-650-3779	Term: 1/1/08 – 12/31/11
	330-656-5099 330-342-3514 330-656-1831 330-342-3779

# VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS 2010 ELECTED OFFICIALS

#### **MAYOR**

<u>Bill Goncy</u>, 6546 Olde Eight Road, Peninsula, OH 44264 330-650-0267, Cell: 330-606-9440, <u>bgoncy@roadrunner.com</u>

#### **COUNCIL**

Frank Baxter, 464 East Boston Mills Road, Hudson, OH 44236 216-214-0911, fbaxter@windstream.net

Standing Committees: Property and Park, Chairperson

Safety Zoning

Special Committee: Economic Development

Dawn Blakeney, 108 Sholle Drive, Hudson, OH 44236

330-571-1635, tawanda426@roadrunner.com

Standing Committees: Road, Chairperson

Cemetery Safety

Scott Foss, 7181 Wellington Court, Hudson, OH 44236

330-656-2552, foss1@roadrunner.com

Standing Committees: Safety, Chairperson

Financial

Property and Park

## **COUNCIL** [continued]

Raymond McFall, 58 E. Boston Mills Road, Hudson, OH 44236

330-650-1258, no e-mail

Standing Committees: Cemetery, Chairperson

Road Zoning

Janet Miller, 6090 Ianwood Circle, Peninsula, OH 44236

330-653-3202, illmangelgrace@yahoo.com

2010 President Pro Tem of Council

Standing Committees: Financial, Chairperson

Cemetery

Property and Park

Special Committee: Economic Development, Chair

**Don Polyak**, 205 W. Hines Hill Road, Hudson, OH 44236

330-655-0959, <a href="mailto:dpolyak@gmail.com">dpolyak@gmail.com</a>

2010 Council Representative to Planning

Commission & Board of Zoning Appeals

Standing Committees: Zoning, Chairperson

Financial

Road

Special Committee: Economic Development

#### **CLERK-TREASURER**

Carol Zeman, 7480 Brandywine Road, Hudson, OH 44236

Office: 330-655-9570, czemanct@roadrunner.com

# VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS 2010 APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### **CLERK OF COURTS**

Maryann Bode, 340 E. Boston Mills Road, Hudson, OH 44236 Office: 330-655-9571, mabode@roadrunner.com

#### VILLAGE SOLICITOR

Connie Hesske, 1655 E. Market St., Suite 130, Akron, OH 44313 330-836-8523, attyhesske@hesske.com

#### CHIEF OF POLICE

Joe Varga, Office phone: 330-650-4111, FAX: 330-655-9578

#### FIRE CHIEF & ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

**Jim Robinson**, Office phone: 330-655-9576

#### **CEMETERY SEXTON**

**Terry Brannan**, Village: 330-650-4111, Home: 330-752-4479

## **ZONING INSPECTOR**

**David Himes,** Village: 330-650-4111, Home: 330-653-8325 Building Inspection: Summit County Bldg. Dept.: 330-630-7280

#### VILLAGE ENGINEER

<u>Vicky McCauley</u>, Village: 330-650-4111, <u>engbostonhts@aol.com</u>