

VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025, 9:00 AM

The Special scheduled meeting of the Village of Boston Heights Council was called to order at 9:00 am on Friday, October 31, 2025, by Pres Pro Tem Dave Maccarone.

Discussion on Safety Service Center Topic:

Safety Service Center

ROLL CALL:

Council Members Present:

Ron Fenn Bob Bartko

Other Officials Present:

Scott Varney, Fiscal Officer Chad McArdle, Police Chief Charlie Riedel, Public Works Dept. Superintendent Brian Riedel, Public Works Dept. Foreman

Tammy Collins, Office Admin.

Taylor Killen, Project Architect, discussed that the storm shelter commissioning services have received a proposal, and they should be getting a couple more in the future. He explained they require a third-party review and elaborated on exactly what a storm shelter is. The storm shelter is basically a building within a building; it's meant that if there were an emergency like a tornado, it would stay standing if the outer building were to fall. It is a hardened bunker of sorts and is required in all public safety buildings by code. Its size is based on the number of occupants potentially in the building. It is not a community shelter but for occupants of the building. Mr. Maccarone asked if it had to be a designated room? Taylor explained that it has to meet certain requirements, and only a certain portion of the new building will be designated as a storm shelter.

He also informed the Village that the existing generator can be used and will service the new building. Taylor explained that new toilets can be floor or wall-mounted and flush valve or gravity-fed tanks; for now, floor-mounted and gravity-fed will be used in the plans to save money. Public bathrooms can use air hand dryers, and air dryers and towels in other restrooms. Wall waste receptacles were also addressed as a better option than free-standing.

Taylor also wanted to discuss 2 items for the floor plan. The first was the plan to have the fire pump inside the building, and the architectural engineers had recommended it be inside also. Now, it would make more financial sense to be on the exterior and have a small pump house. It would need 24,000 gallons or 3- 8 thousand-gallon tanks. One would be below ground and 2 above ground. The above-ground tasks would have sensors for temp control when it's cold.

Since the fire pump has been relocated to the outside, there is now extra space inside, so the dorm locker hallway was widened by 11 inches. This pushed into the kitchen, so they are going to keep the kitchen and dining room & bunkroom in the corner and give the day room its own space.

Jana Kamel, Interior Design, asked about the number of TVs in the day room. This was deferred to Chief Packard, who was not present today.

Motion to adjourn made by B. Bartko and seconded by R. Fenn

ADJOURN: 9:32 AM

(Attested by Scott Varney, Fiscal Officer)

Date

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