

VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, April 22, 2025, 7:03 PM

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Boston Heights Council was called to order at 7:03 pm on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, by Mayor Ron Antal.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Council Members Present:

Dave Maccarone

Bob Bartko

Janet Miller

Ron Fenn

Rich Lyon

Sasha Chetyrkina-Miller

Other Officials Present:

Scott Varney, Fiscal Officer Marshal Pitchford, Solicitor

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion to Adopt Agenda as amended to Council made by R. Lyon and seconded by D. Maccarone Change to agenda to add resolution 2025-4-19

Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

OPEN FORUM 1:

Daniel Keaveny shared his Eagle Scout project with the Council, which will be an information kiosk at the entrance to Matthew Thomas Park, starting June 7th. His project will cost approximately \$800.00 for materials and take about three weekends to complete. He has some donations but is still in need of more, he asked if anyone would like to donate; he would be appreciative. The Mayor said the Council would make a donation, and he will also put his information on the Village website and app., in hopes of further help.

Michael Packard- The Fire Chief reported that at the Fire Board meeting the prior night, a discussion on the truck that is owned by the Village of Boston Heights took place. Tanker 2 needs to be replaced and or repaired. He said that buying a new one would be a 3-year wait and around \$900,000.00; the possible costs to repair it would be approximately \$40,000.00. The Village could also put the money into more personnel, run the current engine till it dies, and then run with one tanker. He suggested to start thinking about which would be the best option.

Chief Packard also reminded everyone about the Pancake breakfast on May 4th.

ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 2025-4-17 (First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH

OHM ADVISORS FOR THE 2025 PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM; DECLARING AN

EMERGENCY.

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by R. Lyon and seconded by B. Bartko Motion passed by Roll call 6-0
Motion to Adopt made by D. Maccarone and seconded by R. Fenn Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

RESOLUTION 2025-4-18 (First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE VILLAGES PLANNED SAFETY CENTER; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by B. Bartko and seconded by D. Maccarone Motion passed by Roll call 6-0 Motion to Adopt made by B. Bartko and seconded by R. Lyon Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

RESOLUTION 2025-4-19 (First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO TWO CHANGE ORDERS WITH PRECISION ENVIRONMENTAL COMPANY FOR PROVIDING ASBESTOS PIPE AND CEILING ABATEMENT SERVICES FOR THE NORWOOD INN DEMOLITION PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by D. Maccarone and seconded by B. Bartko Motion passed by Roll call 6-0 Motion to Adopt made by J. Miller and seconded by B. Bartko Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

OLD BUSINESS:

The Mayor explained the increase in the electric rates to the Council. He attended the monthly Mayor's conference and learned that an auction is conducted by PJM, which owns all the electric lines, and they look at the 5 most electricity-intensive days of the year to determine what the capacity would need to be to prevent a blackout. This information showed that the amount of electricity necessary went up 800%, but they only raised the rates by 20%. The Mayor stated that even though the rates are going up 20%, it's still overall a better rate than others, and that within

the year, they might be able to lock into a lower long-term rate. It is an opt-out program, but encourages residents to check out all the fine print on other suppliers due to hidden charges and fees before choosing another option.

Mr. Maccarone reported that Wendy's asphalt is down, and they are testing the equipment today. May 2nd is the grand opening at 9:00 am.

The Mayor reminded everyone about the Sunshine Law class if they need to take it.

Mayor Antal stated that the Fire Department is going to bring back the Steak Fry, and they asked if they could hold it at Village Hall. Mayor Antal felt the insurance needed to be checked to make sure the event would be covered and could be sanctioned.

Bob Bartko stated he was approached by residents about issues they don't agree with. He suggested they attend the Council meeting. One resident would like to tie into the Wolcott Drive sewer line, but was told they needed to wait until the project is complete. At this time, it's more of a technicality, but the project is almost complete.

Also, people are complaining to Mr. Bartko that the stone was put right up to the edge of the street before they paved Wolcott Drive. The residents could mow right up to the street, but now they have a ditch and cannot get a mower to the grass on the other side. The Mayor stated the project still has some items to be completed, and this may be one of them. Standing water on the south side should be addressed when the road is officially leveled.

Mayor Antal reported that anyone bidding on the pickleball court project needs to attend a meeting at 10:00 at Village Hall on Wednesday, 4/23/25.

NEW BUSINESS:	
None	
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SECOND OPEN FORUM:	
N/A	
EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A	
Motion to adjourn made by D. Maccarone and sec	onded by B. Bartko
ADJOURN: 7:54 pm	
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(Attested by Scott Varney, Fiscal Officer)	Date

FULL RECORDING IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AT VILLAGE HALL