



**VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 7:01 PM**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Boston Heights Council was called to order at 7:01 pm on Tuesday, April 8, 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
Brian Gorog, Engineer

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion to Adopt Agenda as presented to Council made by J. Miller and seconded by R. Lyon
Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve Council meeting minutes from March 11th and March 25th made by D. Maccarone and seconded by R. Fenn
Motion passed by Roll call 5-0 March 11th S. Chetyrkina-Miller abstained
Motion passed by Roll call 5-0 March 25th B. Bartko abstained

OPEN FORUM 1:

None

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 2025-2-2 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PLAN OF OPERATION
(Third Reading) AND GOVERNANCE FOR THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC
ENERGY COUNCIL AGGREGATION PROGRAM (NOPEC)
FOR THE PURPOSE OF JOINTLY ESTABLISHING AND
IMPLEMENTING AN ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to Adopt made by B. Bartko and seconded by D. Maccarone
Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 2025-3-14 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL
(Second Reading) APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND
OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025; AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by R. Lyon and seconded by R. Fenn
Motion passed by Roll call 6-0
Motion to Adopt made by R. Lyon and seconded by B. Bartko
Motion passed by Roll call 5-1
S. Chetyrkina-Miller voted no

RESOLUTION 2025-3-15 A RESOLUTION REPEALING AND RESCINDING
(First Reading) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-2-7; AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY

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

RESOLUTION 2025-3-16 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO
(First Reading) TRANSFER MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE
BOND RETIREMENT FUND – 2017; AND 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. Lyon
Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- 1) Mayor Antal expressed condolences to Mrs. Miller for the passing of her mother. The Council and Village sent flowers expressing the same.
- 2) All Council members and the Mayor are required to have Sunshine Law training once within their 4-year term. Mayor Antal reminded everyone to complete it if needed
- 3) Saturday, April 12th is clean-up the park day at 9:00 am.
- 4) A community yard sale with be held on June 7th, 2025, at the park.
- 5) The hotel teardown is moving along

FISCAL OFFICER:

N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**SAFETY COMMITTEE**

D. Maccarone

Police- Increased Police presence at the intersection of Boston Mills and Olde 8 is working. Tickets have been issued for people not stopping at the stop sign. They will be looking for a more permanent solution to this problem.

Fire- Fire will be meeting next week and having a pancake breakfast on May 4th, 2025, at the fire station in Peninsula.

ROADS COMMITTEE / CEMETERY TRUSTEES

R. Fenn

There are about 3000 pieces of candy for the egg hunt, and they still need a little more. He thanked the donors for their contributions. The Easter egg hunt will be Saturday, April 12th, at 11:30.

LANDS AND BUILDING / PARK

J. Miller

Nothing at this time

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

D. Maccarone

The hotel tear-down ceremony was a great success. Local news stations were in attendance, and the teardown is moving right along. They are anticipating mid-May to the end of May for completion.

April 17th will be the soft opening of the new Wendy's. April 22nd will be the Grand Opening at 9:00 am. There will be free food, our local band, Police and Fire departments will also be in attendance.

Councilperson Sasha Chetyrkina shared the responses of a survey that was sent out to local businesses and received very diverse answers.

50 % of respondents have been in business in Boston Heights for 20 years or more. Top answers to why did they chose to have a business in Boston Heights were that the owners live in the community and have access to the highway. Most businesses were very happy with the government services of Boston Heights. 50% were very

likely to recommend Boston Heights to do business in. Most respondents would like to recommend that the Village build out water and sewer infrastructure.

PLANNING COMMISSION / BZA

D. Maccarone

No meeting for BZA, but the planning commission met, and 2 topics were discussed;

1. APL pumps and compressor on Chittenden Rd, they are looking to expand, the commission has approved the final site plan, and is good to go.
2. The Council had requested to consider a proposal to the planning and zoning code to provide for pedestrian and bikeway improvements in new developments. The commission has reviewed the request and has asked for more details.
3. Mr. Lyon questioned with the opening of Dick's in Canton would that be a reason for Bass Pro to push off on moving to Boston Heights. Mr. Maccarrone stated he and the Mayor are in contact with Bass representatives monthly, and they are not backing down on opening a store in the village.

ENGINEER

B. Gorog

Pickleball courts are being advertised on April 8th and 15th of this month, and the pre-bid meeting is scheduled on the 23rd of April at 10:00 am at the Village Hall. Bid opening will be May 1st at 10:00 am

Village Engineer Gorog informed the Council that he is working to get annual pavement maintenance numbers together. The Village will know on May 7th if they will receive OPWC funding for Boston Mills East and Hines Hill. Hudson is not participating in the Walters Rd project after they initiated interest. The Hudson engineer contacted Brian Gorog about jointly completing this project but has since backed out. The reason cited was that the former Hudson Mayor did not have the authority to enter into the initial agreement. Mayor Antal is looking into the options of an appeal. Approval for Boston Heights was given contingent on Hudson's participation.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

N/A

SECOND OPEN FORUM:

Bill Hinkle – Mr. Hinkle was wondering when Kimble's contract will be negotiated. He asked that they hold their feet to the fire at the next negotiation regarding price. He feels Boston Heights is paying more than other localities in the area.

Carol Fenn- Mrs. Fenn expressed that she feels the residents should vote on the pickleball courts. She feels instead that they should enclose the shelter for year-round use. Many residents are looking for places to have banquets and so on, and the park would make more money this way. As far as people showing up for village events, they don't do that anymore. She also stated that "Hudson has never liked Boston Heights so don't try to get stuff from them, they consider us hillbillies".

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

N/A

Motion made to adjourn made by B. Bartko and seconded by D. Maccarone

ADJOURN: 8:11 pm


(Attested by Scott Varney, Fiscal Officer)


Date

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