

VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 7:12 PM

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Boston Heights Council was called to order at 7:12 pm on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, by Pres Pro Tem Dave Maccarone.

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

Brian Gorog, Engineer Representative

Marchal Pitchford, Solicitor

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve Council meeting minutes from July 8th and July 22nd made by J. Miller and seconded by R. Fenn

Motion passed by Roll call 5-0

Sasha Chetyrkina-Miller abstained because she was absent

OPEN FORUM 1:

Susan Wasakowski expressed concern over the neighbor's 4-year-old driving a bulldozer in the backyard. The neighbor has dug up his backyard, which could cause possible flooding into her yard, and has already caused flooding in the other neighbor's yard. She is also concerned that he is a close personal friend of the Police Chief, and nothing will be done to help resolve this. She has called the Mayor, Zoning, as well as the Police; she stated her only other option is to notify the local news station. Susan asked if there is a nuisance ordinance they can use? The neighbor is in violation of Stormwater issues, per Village Engineer Brian Gorog, and he did document this.

Neil Kacmarcik asked if the Police have tasers and was told yes, they do.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 2025-7-8

(Third Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE ZONING CODE TO ALLOW FOR FUTURE CONNECTIVITY WITHIN THE VILLAGE BY AMENDING CERTAIN SETBACKS.

Motion to adopt made by R. Fenn and seconded by R. Lyon Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

ORDINANCE 2025-7-9

(Third Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE ZONING CODE TO REDEFINE THE DEFINITION OF LIGHT MANUFACTURING AND RELATED TERMS WITHIN THE VILLAGE.

Motion to send back to the planning commission to re-evaluate the building size requirements, and to explore whether the Village Council approval for a conditional use application under 1161.07 C2 would be worthwhile, made by R. Fenn and seconded by R. Lyon Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

ORDINANCE 2025-8-10

(First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS, IMPOSING A MORATORIUM FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR (365 DAYS) ON THE GRANTING OF ANY PERMITS FOR ALLOWING RETAIL DISPENSARIES, CULTIVATORS, OR PROCESSORS OF MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by R. Fenn and seconded by J. Miller Motion passed by Roll call 6-0 Motion to adopt made by R. Fenn and seconded by R. Lyon Motion passed by Roll call 4-0 Janet Miller and Sasha Chetyrkina-Miller abstained

Motion made to refer the topic to the planning commission to prepare a recommendation regarding changes to the zoning code for dispensaries, cultivators, and processors made by R. Lyon and seconded by J. Miller.

Motion passes by Roll call 6-0

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 2025-8-38 (First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RETROACTIVELY ENTER A SENIOR PROGRAMMING RENEWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MACEDONIA AND THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS;

AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by J. Miller and seconded by B. Bartko 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 2025-8-39

(First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL 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 B. Bartko and seconded by S. Chetyrkina-Miller Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by J. Miller and seconded by S. Chetyrkina-Miller Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

RESOLUTION 2025-8-40 (First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR PROVIDE SURVEY AND DESIGN TASKS FOR THE OPWC DISTRICT 8 APPLICATION PY 40 OPWC FOR AKRON-PENINSULA ROAD PAVING; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by S. Chetyrkina-Miller and seconded by J. Miller Motion passed by Roll call 6-0 Motion to adopt made by R. Fenn and seconded by R. Lyon Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

RESOLUTION 2025-8-41 (First Reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF BOSTON HEIGHTS TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR PROVIDE SURVEY AND DESIGN TASKS FOR THE OPWC DISTRICT 8 APPLICATION PY 40 OPWC FOR W. HINES HILL ROAD PAVING; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to suspend the 3-reading rule made by S. Chetyrkina-Miller and seconded by R. Lyon Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

Motion to adopt made by B. Bartko and seconded by S. Chetyrkina-Miller. Motion passed by Roll call 6-0

MAYOR'S REPORT:

D. Maccarone acknowledged the letter from Janet Miller on the passing of her mother. He also talked about the Fall festival in September

FISCAL OFFICER:

N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SAFETY COMMITTEE

D. Maccarone

Police-The new truck is on display tonight and is in use. They received approximately \$42,000.00 for the purchase.

R. Fenn

Fire- The Annual Steak Fry and Chinese raffle is September 27th from 5-11 pm. This will be held at the station and tickets are \$20.00 for adults and can be purchased down at Valley or at the station.

ROADS COMMITTEE / CEMETERY TRUSTEES

R. Fenn

Nothing at this time

LANDS AND BUILDING / PARK

J. Miller

Nothing at this time

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

D. Maccarone

Still working with owners of Hotel property

Mayor and D. Maccarone have had conversations with Bass Pro, but nothing new.

PLANNING COMMISSION / BZA

D. Maccarone

Nothing at this time, but they are having a meeting, so there will be info for the next Council meeting.

ENGINEER B. Gorog

Nothing further at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

Janet Miller asked about the former pool on Hines Hill. What is the original agreement with the property owner as far as how many vehicles and how long? Once the weather changes, it is very visible from all angles. Mr. Maccarone stated that the number of vehicles far exceeds the allowable and referred to Brian Gorog, the Village Engineer. Brian will let them know what the original agreement states, and then action may or may not take place based on his findings. Brian also updated the Council on the pickleball courts. Pavement is all down, and 30 days from then, the coloring can be put down. In the meantime, the chain link fence can be put up, and he stated that the entire project is ahead of schedule.

Janet Miller wanted to let the Council know there is a need to control speed on Hines Hill, per a resident. The person who owns the property feels he is in danger when he is out mowing. D. Maccarone suggested informing Chief McCardle, and possibly the portable speed sign can be placed out there.

NEW BUSINESS:

Janet Miller was out somewhere and was asked about her residency. When she responded, she lived in Boston Heights, this person replied, "Oh, the Boston Stranglers." She laughed and stated that there is still a reputation out there in reference to Boston Heights giving everyone speeding tickets. Dave Maccarone stated there is no quota in giving out tickets.

SECOND OPEN FORUM:

Carol Fenn asked Marshal Pitchford, the Village Solicitor, if the guy on Sholle Dr. can be taken to Stow Court instead of Boston Heights Court? Marshal stated it would depend on the level of charges. He didn't believe that the Village code has any mechanism to address this. On the civil side, the short answer is no. He will look into when more information is available to him.

EXECU	JTIVE	SES	SION:

N/A

Motion to adjourn made by J. Miller and seconded by R. Lyon

ADJOURN: 8:26 pm

(Attested by Scott Varney, Fiscal Officer)

Date

FULL RECORDING IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AT VILLAGE HALL