

Township Minutes Reviewed, 1948 through 2009

I read through the minutes posted on the web site intending to write a synopsis of events. Instead I became engaged in the story and wrote what happened as it happened. General themes recur throughout—the business of the township, the preservation of the township, the greater good for the citizens, some mistakes. The most striking event played out over time is the insidious and unrelenting acquisition of Township property, over the objection of Township Trustees, for park lands. Smaller local themes underscore the sense and spirit of community and the involvement of citizens with their government, especially concerning roads.

- Joanne Noragon
Boston Township Fiscal Officer

1948

At the joint township/village meeting Chas Witson is named to fill the un-expired cemetery board term of Frank Seeley; Clayton Stanford is re-elected to the cemetery board for another three year term; and ½ mill is appropriated for cemetery expense. The Trustees decide artificial street lighting is needed for the public safety and welfare and accept the bid of Ohio Edison to install artificial lighting on certain streets, avenues and public places. The County Engineer is authorized to oil township roads where indicated, remove snow and perform emergency work on roads when requested. A.L. Cameron resigns as constable; Chas Higelston is appointed. The Union Grange and Peninsula Library and Historical Society leases are renewed for another year. The annual fire protection contract with Peninsula is made.

1949

General road labor will be paid at 90 cents per hour; the road foreman and sexton, blade and tractor and team drivers at \$1.00/hour. The use of a tractor will be paid at \$1.50/hour, gas and oil furnished by the owner. All other work at prevailing rates. The zoning committee is comprised of Albert Bell, Dewey Osborn, Jack Phinny, Clayton Stanford and James Robinson. Virgil Allen, Jr. of Cleveland is engaged to assist the committee. Township roads will be dressed with gravel provided by Frank Eleo. The Trustees approve the County road standard of 50' right of way on roads constructed by the owner of a land subdivision. At the joint meeting Mrs. Morris is appointed to the cemetery board and ½ mill is appropriated for 1950 cemetery expense at the. A zoning ordinance is prepared. The Trustees object to the enlargement of Virginia Kendall Park by state purchase as the tax base is reduced and the township loses authority for its land. Mr. Kornhauser does not like how the roads are oiled and Mr. Nielson of Northfield Center will be asked to remove trash he dumped on Hine Road. Mr. Corwin Carter and Mr. Clayton Stanford approach the Trustees about leasing part of the township hall for a school. The Grange and Library leases are renewed, as is the fire protection contract. Road #38 from Northfield to Boston Mills is renamed Stanford Road.

1950

The newly elected Trustees are George Fisher and Dewey Osborn. Mr. Osborn not having his bond, sat the meeting. There being no question, Mr. Fisher was selected to serve as chairman. The Trustees vote to turn back to the village of Peninsula the section of Major Road in the Village in exchange for the section of Locust Street in the Township. The clerk notes in parentheses the exchange was made years ago. Mr. Brady has charge of Hine, Stanford, Stine,

Cemetery and East Locust Roads; Mr. Osborn has charge of Geoppert, Keenan, Scobie, Sullivan, Wetmore and Wheatly Roads. Mr. Fischer has charge of the town hall. The fire contract is renewed, as are the Grange and Library leases. The County is engaged to remove snow. Kenneth Roose is appointed to fill the cemetery board vacancy caused by the election of Mr. Osborn. A zoning ordinance is reviewed The Trustees accept the streets as laid out in Boston Morris Acres. Hazel Scobie is appointed substitute clerk in the absence of the regular clerk. William Brady is appointed to the cemetery board at the joint meeting. Mr. Frank Amity of Geoppert Road is asked to remove his "Amity Acres" sign A delegation from Whaley Road ask the Trustees to take over Whaley as a Township Road, but are advised to go to the County Engineer as the Trustees do not have the authority to designate a public road. The Trustees also decline to abandon Meirs Road as they do not have the authority. The Trustees will advertise for a new power road grader.

1951

The proposed zoning ordinance is reviewed with citizens. The rate of pay is increased to 1.10 for labor and 1.25 for foreman. The township purchases a road grader The zoning ordinance is accepted for public hearing Detailed maps of the township will be prepared. .86 miles of Major Road, jointly maintained by Boston and Richfield Townships, is transferred to the county. The zoning ordinance will be placed on the ballot Mr. John Haefle is also appointed justice of the peace as a township is entitled to two. The Peninsula Players can pitch a tent at the township hall for the Booster Club Carnival. Clayton Stanford is elected to the Cemetery Board and ½ mill is levied for 1952 operating expense.

1952

The value of township road maintenance equipment is \$5,705.00. Fire contract and leases are negotiated. Mrs. Huush attended the April meeting and asked what progress was made on the township hall plumbing facilities. The Trustees discuss imposing a penalty for starting a fire and letting it get out of control. Wm. Morris is elected to the three year cemetery board term ending 1956; Larson Scobie is elected to the unexpired term ending 1953 and ½ mill is levied for 1953 operating expense. Township rubbish and garbage will be collected curbside if placed in a container that could be handled by one man. It will be dumped on private property where permission for dumping had been given. (*Note: The property owner's name has been erased.*) The Township seeks additional street lights from Ohio Edison. The roof of the Township hall will be repaired by tarring and doing whatever is needed to put it in perfect condition. Township highway mileage is certified as 12.14 miles. The library and grange leases are renewed. The county engineer is engaged for snow removal and the maintenance and improvement of township roads through December, 1953.

1953

The Trustees purchase a 1948 dump truck from Bieglow Chevrolet. The Trustees sell at auction steam radiators, galvanized pipe and scrap from the township hall. Mrs. Henry Bell engages the use of the Library room of the township hall for kindergarten purposes for four weeks. Mr. Lawson Scobie is appointed to the cemetery board for the term ending 1956 and ½ mill operating expense is levied. Formation of a joint fire department is discussed. Mrs. Volma Conger meets with the Trustees to discuss using the town hall for kindergarten space. The Trustees accept Keenan as a public road; the property owners to provide a turn around at the end. Mr. Albert

Bell and Mr. J.E. Mauer requested better repair of Major and Oak Hill Roads. Road superintendent Johnston will be told to do more grading work to properly keep up township roads. Trustee Osborn will personally call on Ohio Edison at their Akron officers to inquire into the status of installing more street lights in the township. A thorough examination of the books had been made and it is agreed to follow all recommendations in future. A contract with Ohio Edison authorizes more lights on Morris Drive and in Everett for a rental of \$2.00 per month per pole. The library room is painted. The Trustees ask their legal counsel if the township can make a donation to the lighting of the township Christmas tree. A new tractor is purchased from Terry Coal and Supply. The Peninsula Library is given permission to put a sign over the door.

1954

The Trustees enter into a fire contract with Peninsula and engage the County Engineer to maintain roads and remove snow. The Trustees look into purchasing additional land for the cemetery and installing a gas tank at the town hall. Peninsula and the township purchase additional land for the Union Cemetery in Peninsula from John Hunka for \$1,000.00. Mr. Averill, Mr. Vince and Mr. Vernon Boody complain at the April meeting about the condition of Stanford Road, but Mr. Johnston said it is in good shape and as good as any other road in the township. The Peninsula kindergarten is charged for use of the hall. A fire contract is made with Peninsula. Clayton Stanford is elected to a three year term to the fire board and a $\frac{3}{4}$ mill levy is certified for operating expense. Morris Drive property owners complain about the dusty condition of the road and drivers speeding over it. Richfield Township is charged for work done on Scobie Road; the Village of Peninsula is charged \$5.00 for mowing and the Western Reserve Telephone Company is told to stop their installer from dropping wire into township ditches. The Peninsula Library is charged \$217.25 for painting of the library room. Mr. Price and Mr. Lee ask the Trustees to do something to stop trespassing by hunters on the Oak Hill property. The Buckeye Pipeline Company of Mantua, Ohio is asked to lower their exposed line on Stanford road so the road can be properly maintained. The Trustees ask the County Commissioners to make Locust Street, also known as Commodore Road, a county road through Peninsula, Boston Township and Boston Heights. The County is engaged for snow removal and road maintenance for another year. The grange and library leases are renewed for another year.

1955

A snow plow is purchased for the front end of the truck. The rate of pay is increased to \$1.45 per hour. A bid is put out for more street lighting. William Morris is appointed to the cemetery board and a $\frac{3}{4}$ mill operating levy is authorized. Mr. C. A. Wise, Mr. Boyd Bridgewater and Max Ratner are asked to contribute all or a part of the expense of grass fires at their properties. The Cosmopolitan Sand and Gravel Company post a bond and agree to pay expenses for damaging Morris and Woodland while hauling gravel and sand to the Turnpike. They agree to maintain the roads, regulate the speed of the trucks and employ a policeman to watch the children, all to the satisfaction of the township Trustees. Property owners on Whaley Road ask the Trustees to take over the road; the Trustees ask the county commissioners for the cost of putting the road in acceptable condition, with a turn around. The Trustees advertise for a new 1955 truck chassis and will trade in the 1948 truck. A bill from Harry Harpan for chickens killed by stray dogs was sent to the county commissioners. Bigelow's bid for a new truck chassis is accepted; pay for township work is raised to \$1.65/hour. The Trustees settle with Cosmopolitan Sand and Gravel for \$1,000.00, which will just about cover the money expended to repair Morris and Woodland

after excessive use. The County Commissioners are asked to begin the process of upgrading Whaley to be taken over by the township. George E. Fisher, having been elected the mayor of Peninsula, resigns at the December meeting.

1956

Responsibility for various roads and the township hall is divided among the Trustees. The rate of pay remains \$1.65/hour, the clerk's salary is increased to \$500 per year plus 2% of expenditures over \$5,000, according to new state law. The Trustees are still trying to settle the bond from the Cosmopolitan Sand and Gravel Company. In January the County Engineer's office meets with Whaley Road residents to explain the procedure to put Whaley Road into condition to be turned over to the township. The American Red Cross is given permission to use the township hall for any purpose necessary in any emergency or disaster. The Trustees authorize the County engineer to assess the cost of making Keenan Road a township road. The library requests the use of the former Boy Scout room on the second floor. The condition of Stanford Road is brought to the attention of the Trustees. The majority of the landowners on Whaley Road agree to the cost of improving it and the Trustees agree to go ahead with road improvements. The engineer takes bids for improving Keenan Road. The Keenan Road assessment is established. Lawson Scobie is appointed to the cemetery board and 1 mill is assessed for operating expense. The contract for the construction of Keenan Road is awarded. The Cosmopolitan Sand and Gravel Company bond is settled for \$600.00. There is a complaint that Canada thistles are growing on the property of R. H. Clark on Stanford; Mr. Brady will inform him of the law before a notice is sent. It is agreed the State Police will patrol the roads instead of hiring a police constable. \$11,500.00 must be borrowed for the Keenan Road improvements. There are some objections from residents to the improvement of Whaley. The Trustees agree to proceed. Mr. and Mrs. Lukase give notice of noxious weeds on the property of the Horvitz Co. on Riverview Road, which is ordered to destroy them within five days. A 3 mill road levy is placed on the ballot, needing a 60% majority vote of the electorate to pass. The Trustees agree to the sale of \$6,500.00 in bonds for the improvement of Whaley Road. A new oil furnace is purchased for the wood portion of the town hall. The Trustees agree to proceed with the drawing up of a zoning ordinance. The Trustees realize the cost of improving Whaley Road will exceed earlier estimates and proceed with public hearings for the cost to be assessed to the landowners of the road. Public hearings are also held for the proposed zoning resolution. By December the zoning resolution has been approved by the Summit County Planning Commission.

1957

The pay rate for Mr. Fox, the road man, is increased to \$1.90 per hour and helper pay is increased to \$1.65. The new zoning resolution is reviewed, adopted and placed on the May primary ballot. The condition of the roof on the wooden building and the conditions of the roads are of concern. Condition of the roads is reviewed with Mr. Fox. The annual fire contract with the Village of Peninsula is for an annual cost of \$800 plus actual costs of any calls in the township. Road maintenance funds are scarce. Clayton Stanford is appointed to the cemetery board of Trustees for the term commencing January 1, 1958, and ½ mill is assessed for expense. Eugene Ritch is appointed police constable for \$1.00 per hour, not to exceed \$20.00 per month. A zoning board of appeals is appointed in June. The Trustees are requested to put the drainage ditch on W. Barlow in condition before winter. A culvert pipe on Keenan was lowered and work

completed on Whaley Road, both subject to inspection by the Trustees before payment to the contractors. Weeds are again growing and neglected on the Horvitz company property. A delegation of property owners from Whaley road protest in August the contractor's work is incomplete. The Trustees will meet with the county engineer to assess the work. Again the Summit County Health Department is asked to refuse septic and filter bed permits for trailers. The Trustees request the PUCO not approve a rate increase for the Western Reserve Telephone Company for the reasons that service is inadequate and previous rate increases provided sufficient revenues for operations. Leases with the library and grange are renewed for 1958.

1958

The road man, Mr. Wilford Hicken, will be paid \$2.15/hour and the helper \$1.65. Eugene Ritch is appointed Constable at the same rate until April 1st, when a new rate will be established. New locks are installed on all township doors. Trustee Morris died on January 15th. Chas Wurzbacher is elected to fill the vacancy left on the Cemetery Board. C.L. Truxell is appointed to fill the unexpired term caused by the deaths of Mr. Morris and Frank Genovese. Limestone is stockpiled for summer road work. Police constable pay is increased to \$2.00 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per month. The Trustees decide to sell bonds for the Whaley-Keenan Road improvement projects. At the joint meeting Chas. Wurzbacher is appointed to the cemetery board commencing January, 1959, and ½ mill is levied for expenses. Peninsula enters into a road maintenance and snow removal agreement with the township. Twenty five property owners petition for the oiling of township roads. The Trustees agree. Wilford Hicking receives one week vacation with pay. C.V. Wells resigns as zoning inspector and Eugene Ritch is appointed. The firm of Squire, Sanders and Dempsey is engaged to prepare bond legislation for Whaley-Keenan Road improvements and handle the sale of the bonds. The clerk, Marie McDevitt resigns in September and John Chessar is appointed as clerk. The School Board asks to use the township hall for extra classrooms. The Trustees promise an answer by year's end. School bus drivers ask that branches and brush be cut, and the condition of Stine Road at the township/village line is discussed. Although county health authorities approved the township hall for school room use the library board says they cannot agree as they have too much invested. The library and grange leases are renewed for 1959. Mr. Leonard Bertsch of Akron is contacted to remove unattended personal property left on Wetmore road. A gasoline tank and pump are installed at the township hall. Road improvement notes of \$9,800.00 are issued for Keenan Road.

1959

The value of township equipment is \$3,798.00. The township's budget for the year is \$32,700.00. The fire and road work contracts with Peninsula are renewed. The township informs property owners with improper culvert tiles they must pay for new pipe which the township will install at no further cost. Pipe left by a contractor on Wetmore road still has not been removed, who says he will attend to it when the weather improves. There is ongoing discussion of the road conditions and how to alleviate them. The Zoning Commission recommends rezoning the northern and southern section of Route 8. Township road equipment needs repairs and the Township is running short of money. Mr. Averill reports the use of Slacker stone will serve as well as limestone. Citizen complaints about road conditions continue to be made. Major Road residents are advised of the financial position of the township and ask to examine the clerk's books. They ask if they can pay for the cost of oiling their road if the Trustees chose not to oil

roads that year. Mr. Perks of Whaley Road is asked for additional proof of the responsibility of the Trustees for the drainage on his road and told the township would not repair Whaley road that year. The Trustees agree to spend \$1,500.00 to oil roads. Lawson Scobie is nominated to the Cemetery Board term commencing January 1, 1960 and ½ mill assessed for operating expense. Road oiling complaints are received but the Trustees feel they have done their best to please everyone. Mr. Kruzinski requests the removal of a tree stump in the center and at the end of Main Street. Alleviation of the cross drain situation on Major Road is discussed. The road man Hickins is asked to trim branches and grass, leave his daily route available at the road garage in the event Trustees wished to contact him, and to make the township yard more presentable. Trustee Truxell, road chairman, reports all hills will be taken care of by winter, the ditches will be cleared and drain cutoffs made to eliminate the previous problems of gravel washing away and ruts being made. It is decided to let the county engineer take care of the ditches on Keenan. The township will install a 20" drain pipe there in hope of alleviating the drainage problems. Legislation passed by the general assembly changes the nature of police protection and the Township is approached by the Village concerning police protection. The village and the township share the cost of repairs to Stine Road. Keenan road conditions will be taken up with the Summit County Engineer. The library and grange leases are made for the coming year.

1960

Eugene Ritch is appointed Constable for the year, and Zoning Inspector. The Trustees look into having a phone listed for the Boston Township Trustees. Road conditions remain under discussion, as well as the performance of Hickins, the road man. His employment is terminated in late March. Whaley Road residents complain of the condition of their road, doubting it was built to specifications. They request the Trustees provide 40 tons of lime stone, which they will apply to Whaley themselves. The Trustees authorize them to do so. Oak Hill and Major Road residents complain of the state of their roads asking why they are in such bad condition now when they had been in good repair up to two years ago. They ask to see the records of the amount of money spent on each road. They asked that 35% of the township road budget be allotted to a committee of citizens representing the two roads to maintain the roads. Three weeks later they ask why their questions have not been answered. A representative of the Summit County Prosecutor's office tells them they may examine the clerk's books at any time, but the clerk is not required to present the information to them in any way except that required of this office by the Auditor of State. Mr. Mauer and Mr. Ratner, representing the citizens of Major and Oak Hill then ask the work on their roads be done by the County Engineer. The Trustees tell them that any work the Township cannot do will be contracted to the engineer. The Trustees ask the county engineer and county maintenance department to estimate the cost of ditching, grading and removing landslides on Oak Hill, ditching and repairing sinkholes on Major road and ditching and slide bank removal on Stanford. Mr. Sell, a township resident offered to cover with hay or straw any grass seed placed on newly repaired banks on Scobie Road. The Trustees enter into an agreement with the Trustees of Northampton Township for the mutual exchange of police services. Mr. Robert Bordner of the Peninsula Library and Historical Society requests repairs to the township building to remove the danger of damage to library property. Specifically cited are leaks in the third floor roof. They have not received their lease by mid-year; the Trustees state there are questionable factors and the lease must be revised. At the joint meeting with Peninsula, ½ mill is assessed for cemetery operating expense. The fire protection agreement with Peninsula

is renewed. The Trustees agree to the county engineer doing the necessary Stanford Road work. An error in the wording of the last road levy left the township without road funds for 1961. A one year levy is placed on the ballot. The Trustees agree to needed roof and chimney repairs. Mr. Hodge is the township road man. Mr. Bertach is directed to remove a ditch obstruction across Wheatley Road. Ditching and the condition of Oak Hill and Major Roads remain a problem. Mr. Albert Bell and Mr. Rousch ask the Trustees how they intend to proceed. Mayer Construction company is engaged to ditch these roads. Mr. Averill of Stanford Road is not satisfied with the county's ditching work. The Trustees agree to have the balance of the work done by the township. By November the Trustees say the roads are as good as they can be for the time of year. Mr. Webber of Kendall Park Road presented a claim for two ewes killed by dogs. The Trustees certified the claim.

1961

Mr. Hodge the road man is instructed to be careful of property lines when plowing to avoid complaints about plowing private right of ways. Condition of the roads is discussed. Vernon Boodey and Lawson Scobie are appointed to the cemetery board. Annexation of 316 acres in lots 23 and 24 of the township is proposed by Peninsula. A non toll direct dial line to Akron is proposed by the Western Reserve Telephone company. The pay of the road man, Edward Hodge is increased to \$2.34 per hour. The J.A.Mayer company is engaged to grade and ditch. The Trustees plan to oil all township roads with a mixture of 50% liquid asphalt, 50% fuel oil. There is continuing discussion of rezoning part of Tamsin Park to recreational use. Some residents fear creation of a trailer park; Northlawn Memorial Park is concerned about encroachment. The clerk contacts the Summit County Prosecutor for instructions in proceeding against Mr. Bertsch of Whaley Road concerning clearing a natural drainage ditch. Mr. Hayes of Stanford Road asks the Trustees to clear 150 yards of dirt to create a school bus turn around; he would gravel the area at his expense. He is advised to contact the School Board, which is responsible for turn arounds. The Trustees would have no objection to its construction. The county commissioners approved the annexation of 316 acres of land to Peninsula. The Trustees felt this would better serve the needs of the people in the area. The Township Hall roof needs repairs; Mr. Frank Senley requests trees and brush be cleared along his property line with the township hall. The board agreed to purchase a tape recorder to record Trustee meetings. The Trustees support the effort of the library society to obtain a \$142,000.00 grant from the Summit County Budget Commission to build a library. The Trustees are quoted \$1,050.00 to repair the roof and downspouts, and an additional \$350.00 to take down the steeple and haul it away. An additional tax of 2 mills is placed on the ballot for road maintenance and repairs. Rubbish collection is changed to the second Monday to eliminate confusion over holidays. The Trustees authorize \$500.00 for repairs to the Grange Hall, a township building. The Township Hall roof is repaired for \$500.00. The Trustees look into the cost of boundary signs. A conference table and a filing cabinet are purchased for the use of the Zoning Commission, the BZA and the Trustees. The lease of the first floor to the Peninsula Library and Historical Society is renewed. An animal claim of \$50.00 submitted by Mrs. Patty Tesmer for the killing of a pet goat by a dog was certified by the Trustees. Funds will be available in 1962 to replace obsolete and deteriorated road equipment.

1962

The hourly rate of Ed Hodge, the Road Maintenance man, is raised to 2.50 per hour. A new township truck is purchased from Bigelow motors for \$3,864.36. A note for the purchase is secured from First National Bank. The original plans for I271 do not include an interchange at SR 303, prohibiting citizens of the Valley easy access to the interstate. Together with a group of interested citizens, the Trustees request the interchange be included in the plans. The Trustees purchase a plow blade for the new truck. Portions of Wheatley, Oak Hill and Major Roads are closed pending repairs. The old 1955 truck is sold at auction. Mrs. Emily Ritch and another Morris Acres resident asked the township to protest a change to the I271 plans that would affect their properties. The Trustees requested the Highway Commission reconsider the change. At the joint meeting with Peninsula, Wurzbacher is appointed to the cemetery board for 1963 and ½ authorized for operating expense. Mayer Construction is hired to prepare the roads for oiling. A State fire inspector certified the township met all regulations. He recommended an additional water fire extinguisher be placed on the second floor and panic handles be installed on doors. Street signs are purchased for all township roads. Mr. Ted Kruzinski complained again that a large tree stump in front of his house and in the middle of Main Street still has not been removed and is an obstacle to school bus turn around. Mr. J. A. Mayer, present at that meeting, was instructed to remove it within the week. Constable Ritch is authorized to secure extra help during the Halloween season to protect the township against vandalism. The township clerk is authorized to have his personal typewriter, on which all township typing work is done, overhauled. Changes in the zoning resolution to resident recreation and business recreation, and general provisions will have a public hearing. At the end of the year Trustees are satisfied with road conditions. The zoning secretary, Betty Johnson, will be paid \$150.00 above her regular salary for typing the changed zoning resolution.

1968

The Trustees want to obtain plans for a state scenic park planned for both sides of the Ohio Canal from Northampton twp to Lake Erie. The Trustees plan to meet with Mr. Ocasek on the subject. They are unable to contact Mr. Ocasek, but learn from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources that a study is underway for a Cuyahoga Valley scenic park. They will contact Morris Boyd instead. The township property and equipment inventory is \$7,083.00. Constable Ritch asks if the Trustees can purchase new guns for the Constable. The Trustees decide to place a Dead End sign rather than a barricade to prevent cars from going off the end of Whaley Road. Mr. and Mrs. Grocott, 731 Boston Mills, asked their 6.1 acres be annexed to Boston Heights; as the only family east of the bridge over the turnpike they felt they would be better served by Boston Heights fire and police. The Trustees agreed and told them to proceed. Cars being junked on the Wheatly Road property of L. Earlenbaugh were ordered removed. Ohio Edison has not installed the vapor lights contracted in 1967; the B&O Railroad has not repaired the Boston Mills Road crossing. The Trustees ask the East Ohio Gas Co. if it is feasible to lay gas lines at the same time the 303 and Major Road interchange is constructed. The Trustees ask the Health Department's help in cleaning up the Rager property on Akron Cleveland and the Banic property on Boston Mills as they have become health hazards. The Trustees purchase an industrial tractor, loader and mower. The Trustees learn of a request for a trailer sales business at Keenan and Route 8. Although zoned for business it might not be suitable because of land conditions and lack of parking, East Ohio has responded there are not enough homes along 303 to warrant gas lines. The Buckeye Pipeline Company agrees to all repair work along Stanford, where pipeline was laid rather than have the Trustees activate their bond. The Trustees are

concerned about the lack of communication among the Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Trustees and request copies of minutes be submitted to the Trustees. The Trustees ask the zoning commission to consider a helper for zoning inspector Ed Hodge, as he has too many responsibilities. Marvin Manes is hired to make a study of the impact of the Cuyahoga Valley scenic park on the township and how the township can be protected, especially concerning the loss of taxable property. Mr. Manes advises doing nothing for the present as the project is in very early planning stages. Rubbish collection is cancelled and residents advised to arrange for private pickup. The Trustees want to discuss problems of police protection in the township with Sheriff Campbell. It is agreed that a car and an officer would patrol the township and could be accompanied by Constable Ritch and Ed Hodge. If the arrangement were satisfactory, such a contract could be made for 1969 and a 2 mill levy could fund the arrangement. The Akron Metropolitan Park board requests approval of securing an additional 505 acres of township land. The request is opposed by the Board of Education, the Trustees and the Summit County Sheriff, who also point out that the Township, through its contract with Peninsula, provides both police and fire protection to the park. The Park Board is informed the township cannot afford to lose more taxable property.

1969

Hunker patrons are using the township parking lot; Mr. Hunker will be asked to provide parking to his clients. The Trustees want to arrange a joint meeting with Richfield Township Trustees to discuss zoning at the I271 interchange but are told Richfield has already zoned their side business. The Trustees recommend the Zoning Commission do the same. Hines Hill has become almost impassable under I271; the Gepel Construction company will be contacted to correct the situation. In February Authorized Parking Only; Violators will be Towed signs are placed in the township parking lot. Parking on both sides of Riverview in the Township to the corporate line is prohibited to alleviate problems at Boston Mills. Parking on both sides of Quick Road from Akron Peninsula Road to the Northampton Township line is prohibited. A committee is formed to address the many zoning problems in the township. Benjamin and Julia Richards bring a suit against the township to determine the establishment and alteration of Boston Mills and Brandywine Roads. The Grange consults the Trustees about shrubbery, walks and beautification of their portion of the town hall. The Trustees reject the Zoning Commission's proposal to rezone the west side of Boston Mills Road from residential to business. They request the zoning commission consider zoning for the section from I271 to the Township line and use its discretion to decide what should be zoned business or light industrial. The Zoning Commission grants a variance to Boston Mills they believe will prohibit dances. The Trustees will not extend local telephone service at an additional cost of about ten dollars a month. Deaconess Hospital of Cleveland proposes a hospital serving northern Summit County to be located in Hudson Township on 303 and supported by a 1 mill levy. Wheatly Road residents complain the county engineer is moving ditches too far onto their property in a widening project. The Trustees rescinded their request to the engineer to improve the road, as they had not understood the scope of the work and wished to respect residents' wishes. Bill Dereck representing Majestic Homes complains that Sirpilla Trailer sales is in violation of zoning requirements by placing signs and trailers too close to the road and blocking view of his model homes. Hines Hill Road is closed for four months, with the agreement of residents, to complete a bridge. Geupel Construction is asked to post a \$10,000.00 bond to ensure the road is left in as good or better condition as they found it, but the Trustees decide their three million dollar bond

with the state is adequate. At a dance at Boston Mills in June, a juvenile is arrested for assaulting a police officer. The Trustees object to Northampton Police directing Blossom traffic in the township, where they have no authority. Richfield Trustees asked the Trustees to reconsider the work on Wheatly Road, as their portion of Wheatly needs extensive work but the county will not do it unless they can do the entire road. The Trustees advise the Richfield Trustees to battle for their own section; the Township will not change its mind. Marvin Manes is hired to represent the township against the Peninsula Gun and Rifle Club and the Boston Mills Ski Resort for zoning violations. Mr. Hunker explains he has sufficient parking for his guests and no control over where they chose to park. He feels the police asking his guests to move or be towed is embarrassing. The Trustees decide it will be necessary to chain off the parking lot at night in order to keep the area open for emergency vehicles. Charles Ausperk is granted an additional, special hearing before the zoning commission on his request to rezone his property from residential to business. Mr. Manes advised the hearing should be held and a court reporter be present. All unlicensed, illegally parked cars will be cited. The request for a school bus turn around on W. Barlow road is tabled until the Hudson Board of Education agree to stand the entire cost. Donald Barlow, Hudson Trustee feels the turnaround is unnecessary and will set a precedent. The Trustees are unable to contract for more police protection in 1970 as a 3 mill levy for police protection is defeated in November. The Trustees bill Richfield for work on Richfield's section of Scobie and request a resolution from Richfield requesting the maintenance of the Richfield portion of Scobie in 1970.

1970

The Trustees retain Marvin Manes as legal counsel for the township, and pass a resolution against further acquisition of township property for park land, as the township has lost a good deal of taxable property in this manner already. Tow away zone signs, as well as No Parking signs are put on Riverview and Quick Roads. A 3 mill police protection levy is approved for the May ballot. Mrs. Evelyn Ritch, speaking for residents of Morris acres asked that salt be used instead of cinders in the allotment, and that the road be plowed differently. The Trustees explained the township had no ability to store salt; the road could not be plowed in a different configuration, and the cinders would be swept away at the earliest possible time and fewer cinders would be used. Warning lights are requested for the crossings at Boston Mills and Riverview Roads. The annual spring rallies of Sports Car Clubs bring citizen complaints of their driveways being used for turnarounds. The Trustees pass a resolution stating they view dimly the use of township roads for the rallies and instruct their police to do everything within their legal power to eliminate the rallies. A representative of the Cleveland Area Council of Sports Car Clubs attended a meeting to say their members were not violating traffic laws or causing damage; unorganized clubs were responsible. He asked to have license numbers of offenders reported to him that legal action could be taken. The Trustees reiterated they discouraged the rallies but could do nothing if they were held within the limits of the law. The representative said they would hold rallies on roads from which there were the fewest citizen complaints. The Baltimore and Ohio rail road informs the township it has a policy of providing 10% of the cost of improving a crossing and the balance fell to the authority responsible for the road. The Trustees ask the county engineer for their policy on this. The Hudson School District asks for a wider access on W. Barlow Road; the Trustees respond they can do nothing and a turnaround has been constructed without their authorization. At a public hearing a zoning resolution to prohibit dumps and land fills on private property is passed. Mr. Krejci objects and is told to take his

objection to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Mrs. Albert Ritch, Mrs. Lida Sneider and Mrs. Charlotte Davis complain they cannot begin spring cleaning until cinders are swept from the roads. The Trustees will begin as soon as weather permits. The 3 mill police levy is approved. The Tri-County regional meeting to discuss flood control in the Cuyahoga Valley is held at the township hall. Wheatly Road is being damaged by heavy traffic loads; the Trustees request the load limit be lowered. The Court of Common Pleas decides in favor of the Board of Zoning Appeals in the Charles Ausperk case. The Ohio Dept of Highways is asked to undertake a culvert improvement project under the towpath to alleviate flooding from the creek along Stanford Road. The Trustees feel construction of I271 has led to this problem. Geupel Construction is told to have Hines Hill in passable condition before winter or forfeit their bond. The Trustees entertain a plan to build a block addition to the town hall to house the fire department and township equipment. The Trustees feel the cost of \$30,000 could come from the township general fund over a three year period. The Trustees contract with Peninsula Village for police protection in 1971. Township residents object stating residents passed the 3 mill levy expecting the sheriff would continue policing the township.

1971

The Trustees apparently contract with the Sheriff for police protection, as police protection payments are made to the sheriff. The Trustees object to income taxes enacted by cities with no reciprocity to the townships where employees live. The Trustees advance \$2,500 to the sheriff's department for work on an ambulance to serve the township. The Trustees object to the purchase of additional township lands by the Cleveland and Akron area metropolitan park boards. The Trustees request a traffic light at Routes 8 and 532 in order to eliminate accidents from camping traffic and Blossom traffic. There are ongoing public meetings about the proposed new park and a petition opposing it is submitted to NOACA—Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Committee. Mr. Bell of Oak Hill road proposed all roads be narrowed, thus costing less money to maintain. The Trustees explained this is not feasible. He also feels zoning could be improved by requiring larger lot sizes. The State of Ohio denies the traffic light request. Mr. Marvin Manes's opinion is general fund monies can be used for the new fire station, and First National Bank will make a loan. The Trustees protest to the Summit County Building Inspector for issuing building permits without Township zoning permits. The Zoning Commission feels the township needs a full time zoning inspector; the Trustees feel there are not adequate funds. The Ohio Bureau of Natural Resources is informed the Trustees are opposed to more parks in the township. A program about the proposed park is aired on local television. The Trustees again express their opposition of the park to NOACA. The Trustees join the newly formed Summit County Council of Government Organizations.

1972

The court rules in favor of the Trustees in the case of Charles Ausperk, which had been appealed. The Trustees go on record as not interfering in any way with construction of a coliseum by Richfield Township. The Trustees agree that storage bins abandoned by the Akron-Cleveland Bag Company are a hazard and will be filled in with dirt and debris from township road projects. A new truck is purchased from Bigelow Chevrolet, with financing from First National Bank. The Trustees pass a resolution against the widening of state route 303 in the township. The Trustees post No Through Truck signs on E. Barlow, Major, Seasons and Sullivan Roads in the township. The Trustees ask Mr. Hodge not to exceed the appropriated budget for road work. The

Trustees tell the Sheriff's department the residents of Peninsula should also have free use of the ambulance as the communities are so closely related. The Mobile Manor Trailer Park is sold, with the new owners intending to continue business under the 1957 permit. They are instructed to obtain all necessary permits before proceeding. The B&O railroad agrees to install flashers at Riverview with the county standing their portion of the cost from their road and bridge fund. Mr. Oscar Steiner is responsible for returning the stones to their original position prior to his accident on Stanford Road. No Guard Rail signs are placed on Oak Hill and Hines Hill Roads. Mr. Marvin Manes advises the Trustees to move the stones on Stanford Road. The Trustees learn Scobie is not a dedicated road. The county engineer will run a center line and residents be asked to give the Township a sixty foot right of way from Oak Hill Road. The new owners of Mobile Manor want the Trustees to overrule the Board of Zoning Appeals ruling then cannot put more units on the property. They are told the Trustees cannot overrule and are advised to take their case to the Court of Common Pleas.

1973

The Trustees vote to require deposits for the use of the hospital beds. Scobie Road is dedicated in a special ceremony on March 27th. The Trustees request all residents designate Boston Township as their residence when purchasing license plates in order the township receive all fees due it. The Trustees go on record opposing requiring those holding public office to disclose their private earnings and holdings, as it might discourage otherwise qualified individuals from seeking public office. Mrs. Clara Muldowney, township representative to the Citizens' Advisory Committee of the Summit County Council of Governments reports the delegates had never had a meeting and aren't allowed to express their views at the Council meetings. The Trustees congratulated the Lake County Commissioners on their stand to prefer going to jail to approving the budget of the judges and wished the Summit County Commissioners were willing to do the same in not allowing judges to set their budgets. The Trustees tell the Summit County Council of Governments they will pay the annual dues of \$200 when they see benefit from membership. The Trustees are in favor of taking a straw vote on primary election day to see if the voters of the township were in favor of a national park in the Cuyahoga valley. The Trustees would set up a booth to conduct the vote. The condition of Riverview Road north of the turnpike has deteriorated rapidly and the Trustees ask the County Engineer to begin repairs as soon as possible. A Council of Governments representative assure the Trustees they have a voice in the organization. A straw vote in conjunction with the election is not permitted. Mr. Nye, representing Governor Gilligan tells the Trustees park land must be make available to the people of Ohio. Representative Vanik will meet with the Trustees. The Trustees acquire a copy of "Final Environmental Statement on Cuyahoga River Valley Acquisition" by the Department of the Interior. No township or village received any information on this report. The Trustees are "very much disturbed that no government official who is supposed to be our representative, ever sees to it that we receive such information." The clerk will send a letter with this complaint to Governor Gilligan, with copies to Francis Seiberling, Charles Vanik and William Nye. Boston Township and Peninsula begin discussion on the formation of a fire district. Mr. Hunker feels he is being discriminated against in not being allowed to use the parking lot after he paid \$2,800 for plans for the maintenance building. The Trustees said they were not aware of this and agreed to allow him to use the township grounds for parking as needed for \$150 per year. Mr. Krejci's attorneys ask the Trustees for a letter stating Mr. Krejci had been in the land fill business before

township zoning went into effect and therefore he needed no permission to continue his landfill business.

1974

Mr. Frank Kralak of Boston Mills Road again asks the Trustees what could be done to prevent the cabin in the park district from being used for parties. He feels residents are in danger from activities there and the Sheriff had been called several times to clear the area. The clerk will write to Mr. Daily and present the situation. The Trustees thank Mr. Manes for the good work he has done for them on zoning cases. Mrs. Clara Muldowney remains disappointed at the work being done by the Council of Governments. The Trustees report a lack of communication between Congressmen sponsoring the Cuyahoga Valley Park bill and Township officials to the Department of the Interior. The Secretary of the Interior is thanked for taking a stand against a park in the valley. The Trustees ask Akron to consult with them concerning water lines on Oak Hill and Major Roads to the Coliseum. Membership in the Council of Governments is not renewed. The Akron Metropolitan Park Board tears down the cabin on Boston Mills Road. The Riverview, Everett, Oak Hill, Major, Stine Road water line to the Coliseum might be made available for residents' tie-in's. Residents on Stine Road protest the sewer line from the Coliseum to the River and the Trustees supported the protest. Three Zoning Commission members resign to protest lack of communication and being blamed for the high cost of appeals. They say they would finish their terms if the Trustees keep their word from previous discussions. They feel they have the authority to hire their own help and spend zoning funds. A case against Mobile Manor is lost in court. The Trustees authorize Mr. Manes to appeal it to the Supreme Court. The Trustees request the Summit County Engineer inspect all work on the Coliseum water line on township roads and require sufficient cash bond to restore the roads to original condition. 2.88 acres on Boston Mills Road is given to the MetroParks. Mr. Hodge is given authority to issue water line tie-in permits. Mr. Hunker is asked to renew his parking privileges for \$150. The State Supreme Court would not hear the appeal against Mobile Manor. The Trustees pay Akron City Waterworks \$5,024.78 for the fire hydrants.

1975

The Trustees pay the 1975 dues of \$300 for membership in the Summit County Council of Governments. The Trustees resolve to apply for Community Development funds to study the feasibility of remodeling and restoring the old school building. The Summit County Engineer is advised of the deterioration of Oak Hill Road as a result of the installation of water lines and asked to see what could be done to keep the road open to traffic. A new tractor mower is purchased. The Summit County Engineer feels the township has not properly maintained Oak Hill Road since the installation of the water line. No parking signs are installed on Stine and Major Roads for both sides for all hours of the day. The township purchases a new truck with General Revenue Sharing Funds. The Trustees will not accept the offer of H. M. Miller Construction Company of \$2,000.00 in lieu of repairing Oak Hill and will not release the bond until the road is repaired to the satisfaction of Mr. Hodge. The Trustees want to be part of a council of townships and villages to study what will happen to the periphery of the park. The Trustees decline a request by Peninsula Council to pay half the expense of a telephone line for the fire department. Citizens complain the township is not receiving adequate protection from the sheriff for the money paid. Some state it is the duty of the sheriff to protect all the county

regardless of payment to the sheriff. Mr. Joe Broderick stated he had called in a robbery in progress and was told the sheriff's department would get to it as soon as they could.

1976 through 1979: *Minutes for these years are missing. During this period the Township was the beneficiary of an inheritance tax settlement from the Rousch estate, totaling \$4.5 million dollars. As a result of this funding, Summit County cancelled Township Road and Police levies and ceased distribution of Local Government Revenue Assistance funding to the Township.*

1980

The Trustees approve the Bath township resolution against annexation of Bath property by the city of Akron. A liquor permit request for Kayo Oil on Akron Cleveland Road is denied, as too many liquor permits had been issued in that territory. The township joins the Summit County Council of Governments. The township is equipping a police car. The Communities Council discusses the Park buying land outside park boundaries to stop commercialism. The Trustees ask the Department of the Interior if township residents can pick up wood in the park to use for home heating. The Trustees select representatives to the Peninsula and Boston Township Home Day. Mr. Birdsell and a Youth Hostel representative attend a meeting in April to explain to the Trustees and citizens their plan for four hostels in the park. Citizens feel the low rate will attract undesirables and it is wrong that the park does not have to follow township zoning. The park explains there will be no parking available and the hostels will be under the guidance of the national organization and have a couple in supervision. The Trustees go on record as opposing the hostels. The CVNRA will not permit firewood to be picked up. Mr. Hunker will offer suggestions for the renovation of the township hall. The Trustees discuss erecting tennis courts at Woodridge School. Valley Fire District reports problems in receiving emergency calls. Chief Morgan asks the township to furnish a new tanker. The Trustees ask specs and costs be presented and they will ask Peninsula to share the cost. Wheatly Road needs extensive work and the Trustees believe the county should share the cost. Mr. Broderick feels bills for repairs to the bandstand should be presented to the library for payment. The cost of tennis courts will be \$48,876.00. The Trustees accept the bid of Allegheny Fire Equipment for a new tanker at the cost of \$77,636.00. The Trustees discuss a dispatcher for both the police and fire departments. The Trustees discuss bringing water to the village and township using Federal funds. Mr. Brodrick feels the park should take over fire, police and road maintenance on Everett, Wetmore, Wheatly and Stanford Roads. Mr. Buell explains why this will not happen. Discussions of the cost of the tanker and where to park it are contentious. The Peninsula police contract will be \$70,500. Mr. Broderick says the sheriff's contract will be \$33,000 for 1981. The sheriff presents a contract for \$32,000, which could go lower. Although citizens seem to favor Peninsula, the Trustees contract with the sheriff for protection in 1981. Some comments are that because Peninsula citizens could vote for township Trustees, Trustees should use the police. The sheriff was obligated to render service to the township regardless of a contract.

1981

Trustees discuss keeping the police car and hiring police to supplement the sheriff. In joint session with Peninsula Council, a ½ mill levy is approved for the Cemetery. Mr. Buford resigns as legal counsel to the township and Patricia Ritzert is hired. CVNRA will pay only half what they paid in 1980 for fire protection. The Trustees express their dissatisfaction. Mr. Hodge's hourly rate is raised to \$8.25. The Trustees vote not to pay Workmens' Comp, as it has been

misrepresented to the township. In February the sheriff post providing a car to the township for 24 hours is closed. The Trustees declare the contract broken and enter into a contract with Peninsula. After negotiation, the township accepts a three year contract from Peninsula with all costs shared equally except wages, which will be negotiated annually. The township purchases a road sweeper. A joint resolution of the Trustees and the School Board is required to proceed with tennis courts. The Trustees donate \$500.00 to the Boston-Northampton Recreation Assoc. for Little League for teams made up of Boston residents. Workmens' Comp acknowledges \$3,600.00 is a billing error; the cost is \$300.00 per year. The cost of mosquito spraying is now included in the annual assessment for the Health Board. KST is drilling gas wells on Kendall and Whaley. The tennis courts, with a basketball court, are put out to bid. The Trustees meet with Mr. Albert from the park concerning park neglect of properties they own. Tom Morgan reports attending a meeting and learning the park will close roads and bus people into the park. The Board of Education requires information on plans, parking, student use and more before considering the tennis courts. Max Rattner submits proposals for work on township buildings. Chief Tom Morgan asks the Trustees to purchase a used ambulance for \$25,000.00. \$2,300,000.00 of the Rousche inheritance is to be invested at the best rate by legal counsel. The bid for the tennis court cannot be awarded until the School Board approves the tennis courts. The Trustees agree to purchase the ambulance, which will be the property of the township. The Trustees accept the terms of the School Board for building tennis courts, adding the township could purchase them back if the school is abandoned. The Trustees will mow the library grounds formerly mowed by Robert Conger. The township puts No Outlet signs on all roads off Route 8 and all dead end roads. Mr. Broderick attends a Communities Council meeting to oppose closing of township roads by the Park. A survey of the township is authorized. The city of Akron is approached for water on Route 8. The Parker tire fire is thoroughly discussed as to zoning, safety issues. Fire Chief Morgan says he and the state fire marshal inspected the Krejci dump and precautions would be taken to be sure no such incident could occur there. A dog boarding kennel on Oak Hill road is a nuisance but not in violation of zoning. There is a scenic easement on the property. An adult book store was being planned for the Kubicek property. The ambulance is turned over to the fire department. Mr. Ratner is hired to prepare an overall plan for work on the township buildings. The township purchases a new truck. The Trustees look into getting flashers at the Boston Mills railroad crossing. The park cannot close township roads unless the roads are turned over to the park. The township reimburses the fire district \$29,495.62 for the Parker tire fire, which has depleted their funds to \$62.00. A youth hostel on Oak Hill Road and 12 others are planned by the park. The Woodridge Booster Club asks the Trustees to build a rubberized track court around the football field for an approximate cost of \$250,000.00. A letter from the prosecutor said the Trustees could not pay diving instructors at the quarry. The Township considers forming a park district with the Village to support the Quarry; the Service League is opposed to a panel to form a park district. The Woodridge School District superintendent asks the Trustees to consider an all weather track for the district. Mr. Broderick asks if the public could use the track. Proposed changes to township buildings are discussed with Mr. Ratner. Two padlocks are obtained to keep the tennis courts closed.

1982

Ernest Genovese and Edward Pullekens become the township legal counsel. Mr. Broderick can no longer attend Community Council meetings. The amount to run the police department is \$149,200.00, half of which is paid by the township. Mr. Pullekens is authorized to take Parker

Tire to court if they do not abide by the rules set up for operation. The Trustees, citizens and the park look into ways to regulate operations of the adult book store on Route 8. How to close the adult book store continues to be discussed, with advice from the Cuyahoga Falls Law Director, Carmen Roberto, who said it could not be resolved as quickly as citizens would hope, but not to lose interest. A traffic survey would be made at Route 8 and Keenan in June to determine the need for a traffic light. Citizens have said such a survey should take Blossom traffic into account. The Township will see if the Park will purchase Parker Tire. If not, it can be declared a public nuisance and action taken. The Trustees will meet with the Park concerning using Oak Hill as the entrance to a proposed 400 car parking lot for camping and picnicking. The matter of the Park funding road maintenance is before the Congress. The Trustees put to the ballot a resolution to use \$350,000.00 of township funds to restore the Township buildings. Tom Morgan is hired as the full time fire-chief for Valley Fire District with his \$20,000.00 salary and benefits to be paid by the township. The Park is allowed to construct, maintain, operate and repair a water line on Oak Hill. Marty Griffith becomes the representative to the Communities Council. The \$8,374.00 bid of Biro construction is accepted to build a salt shed. The township still has \$2,000,000.00 invested at 10%. However, interest rates have dropped below 8%. A lake on Hudson Township property is causing a swamp at the trailer park. The Trustees will not pay the Bowers Road Oiling bill of \$13,000.00 for the tennis courts because they are not satisfied with the work. Boston Township will pay one-half the police budget of \$176,922.83 for six full time police officers in 1983.

1983

The owner of the adult book store has been arrested. The citation against Parker Tire is on hold pending plans to have the property made part of the Park. Final payment will not be made on the tennis court until all work is completed and releases obtained. Residents of the township use the town hall to discuss the withdrawal of Peninsula from the township and its implications. The township buildings are in violation of fire codes. Meetings can be held in the brick building if all doors are kept open and three firemen stationed there. There is discussion as to whether the buildings can be brought up to code. The \$350,000 is for renovation of the brick town hall building; the wood building renovation cost does not need to go to the voters. There is discussion of the inequality of monies contributed to the fire district by the township and the village. Mr. Pullekens advised the Trustees conserve their principle as much as possible as interest rates were falling. The Fire Marshall would like the buildings renovated as soon as possible. Nothing can begin until the status of the building interiors is assessed. Mr. Pullekens and Mr. DiNardi work to strengthen zoning and enforcement in the township. The Trustees need to obtain liability insurance. A feasibility study for renovation will be made. Mr. Ratner felt he had a contract to proceed with building renovations; however, the contract was never signed. The Trustees request extra mosquito spraying in the swamp on Keenan Road. The CVNRA day camp on Oak Hill is opened. The State Fire Marshall gives a 30 day extension on citations so feasibility studies can be completed. Mr. Broderick objects to township employees setting up for Home Day and mowing for the Village. The Home Day committee is dissolved after the event and Mr. Bishop asks if the Trustees would like to oversee the next Home Days. Mr. Schneider says the fire department is interested in taking it over. Posts at the tennis courts need repairs. A meeting is held with Bath to discuss annexation. The township purchases a new truck. The Trustees advertise for bids for an architect to oversee building renovation. The park blocks Oak Hill for a marathon without notifying the police, or fire. Mr. Albert is asked to give notice to the

Trustees, fire and police in future. Mr. Pullekens urges caution and complete documentation in proceeding with spending so much money on renovation. There is discussion of the fire district—Mr. Broderick has not received minutes of meetings; Mr. Pullekens feels Peninsula should share the cost of the fire chief's salary; there is discussion of a fire levy, but Mr. Pullekens thinks the fire district might not have such authority. The CVNRA said they had nothing to do with the marathon on Oak Hill and would have notified authorities if they had. The tennis courts still do not meet Trustee standards; there are dips and water running down to Riverview because the courts have been built. More members on the fire board is discussed. Mr. DiNardi feels the township should have more representatives as they pay the greater part of the budget. The Woodridge Music Department asks the Trustees to finance new uniforms for the band. The State Auditor advises this cannot be done. A petition to take the village out of the township is sent to Summit County Council. The township contracts with the village to provide salt and cinders. Mr. Griffith explains a House Bill presented by Mr. Seiberling: in order to protect the Park from commercialism, large landowners could donate their property to the park even if it was not contiguous. Land between would become non-conforming and under threat of Park acquisition. Cooperating communities would be eligible for federal grants with a strong voice in how the money would be spent. Although the Communities Council approved of the bill, Mr. Griffith recommended opposing it and so informing Mr. Seiberling and Mr. Metzenbaum. It was noted the park does not contact townships and villages until they have made all the decisions on actions they want to take. The petition to form a new township without the village goes to the prosecutor's office. There are rumors the village would receive some township assets in the separation. Mr. Pullekens is retained to protect the township assets. Mr. Pullekens advises paying Bower the balance for the tennis courts less costs incurred by the township. A release must be signed. Fire board Clerk Kaczmarski provided the information requested by Mr. Broderick concerning salaries and calls and said the information provided to residents by Mr. Broderick was wrong. Tom Morehouse tells the Trustees that call information is confidential; Mr. Broderick should attend fire board meetings for the information and there is no need for a fire levy, as suggested by Mr. Broderick as the township has so much money. Because interest rates have gone down, the township is using inheritance principle to fund the township.

1984

Mr. Broderick believes there is no need for a full time Fire Chief and a fire levy would be the most equitable way to finance the fire department. Because the township receives so little money for traffic fines, the Trustees ask Mr. Pullekens to find out how many tickets are written in the township. Wesley Bergdorf is appointed to the Communities Council. The Fire Marshal needs assurance building problems will be corrected. The Trustees think they can run the township on \$330,000 to \$385,000 in interest in 1984. The 1984 fire budget is \$92,332.00 with \$70,000 being paid by the Township and the balance by the Village. The Trustees will ask the Village to add two additional members at large to the fire board. The Trustees and Richfield will meet concerning vacating Wheatley road and turning it over to the county. A new business is going into the former book store location, but Summit County has issued permits without zoning permits, but revoked them when the owner had conflicting uses. He was told to cease and desist the apparent junk yard business. The Summit County Prosecutor ruled the Village would be entitled to \$1.4 million of the Roush money and 1/3 of all real estate, buildings, fire equipment and cemeteries. New Trustees and Clerk would be appointed. The Attorney General of State is asked for a ruling. Citizens who signed the petition felt the case had been misrepresented as to

division of money and property. The Trustees agree to do everything in their power to protect their assets until a ruling is received; Peninsula Village holds a special meeting concerning protecting its assets if they would receive 34% of the Rousch money. Work on getting a renovations architect is postponed pending the ruling. A hearing with the State Fire Marshal is also imminent. The Trustees consider condemning the bookstore property and purchasing it for a future fire station site. Mr. Broderick learns the Szaly farm will be used for dumping sludge from the Akron disposal plant. He will notify Northampton Trustees. Mr. DiNardi has resigned as assistant zoning inspector for the reason that zoning issues are not addressed. The water problem at the tennis courts is assessed to be the fault of the school, not the construction of the courts. The Trustees express disapproval of the CVNPA using property behind the Ausperk residence for a dirt bike run. The Peninsula Library requests \$10,000.00 for necessary maintenance. The balance due on the tennis courts is paid. The Trustees purchase a new Ford tractor. Terminating the lease of the library property is discussed. The Trustees are anxious to clear up zoning problems and have the zoning book revised. The Trustees decide to start renovations on the brick building first; the wood building needs cleaning up and stabilizing. Park officials object to a citizen's fence; however, their fences are not up to code. The Trustees look into federal funding for restoration of the wood building. Robert L. Hunker is hired to draw up plans for restoring the buildings. Mr. Robinson is hired to review the zoning resolution for not more than \$800.00. It is determined townships can help libraries and the Trustees permit township employees to perform requested work at the library. Mr. Broderick objects as the township has donated \$10,000.00 to the library for maintenance. Tanks and pumps are installed for gasoline and fuel oil. The Collins-Tulley law suit against the township is delayed into 1985.

1985

The Trustees schedule interviews with candidates for the position of zoning inspector. The police budget for 1985 is \$208,260.15, half to be paid by the township. The fire budget is \$132,500.00, with the township paying 66%. The Trustees give the library another \$25,000.00 to purchase books and work on their building. The Trustees agree to make a study of vacant land available on Route 8 for fire department or township equipment storage purposes. The Trustees will study the cost of equipping and staffing a second fire station for the protection of citizens at that side of the township, especially on Blossom nights. R&W Construction Co was ordered to immediately clean up a dump they started on Whaley Road or be taken to court. Mr. Hunker's preliminary plans are approved and he will proceed to get necessary permits to begin renovation work. There is discussion with Siebert-Keck of the problem of insuring the buildings in their present condition. The Trustees agree to have a professional valuation made of the buildings. The township purchases a new tractor. Mr. Broderick suggests a levy to buy land and build a new fire station and then use the old fire station to store township equipment. The township purchases a tar kettle. James Jones is appointed zoning inspector, Don Matusz assistant zoning inspector. No date has been set for the Collins-Tulley trial. Siebert-Keck is able to renew insurance as renovation work has begun. The Zoning Commission is asked for progress on updating the zoning resolution. A merger commission not associated with the Township or Village is studying the possibility of the township merging with the village. In July Mr. Hunker's bill is not paid pending explanation of the charges. The Zoning Commission is not progressing with the zoning resolution updates, the Trustees ask Mr. Pulekins to tell them to take action in the next 30 days. The township is having trouble obtaining liability insurance at a reasonable cost and do not know if they will be able to renew insurance on the wood building.

They decide to advertise again for bids for building renovations. The Trustees decide cinders are not the best for roads and berms in the winter; they freeze and are hard to break up. Calcium chloride probably will be too expensive, so they decide to follow other municipalities and mix the salt with #2 limestone. It will also be easier on the berms. The salt shed will get an addition to store equipment and the salt mixture. Overweight trucks on Hines Hill are doing extensive damage; the Trustees decide to make a study of lowering load limits on all Township roads. They ask Summit County to lower the limit on Hines Hill. Mr. Broderick questions township employees working in the cemetery but being paid by the township, specifically digging of graves. He feels a contract should be made for this work. Township employees are instructed to stop until the matter is settled and will not be paid for work in the cemetery. The Trustees and State Auditor agree to abide by the decision of the prosecuting attorney in the matter. The renovation bids indicate the project will cost far more money than authorized by the voters. Mr. Pullekens will ask the prosecuting attorney if more money than voted can be spent. The firemen are instructed not to use the Township copier. Richfield Township Trustees would like to meet with Boston to discuss turning over Wheatly Road to the county. Mr. Hunker's bid bond check is returned. Trial in the Tulley vs. Collins law suit is set for June, 1986. In December the township clerk, Longina Morgan, becomes seriously ill and Edward Pullekens is appointed temporary deputy clerk. Mr. Randy Bergdorf attends a meeting representing a citizens' organization to tell the Trustees they will help in any way requested in the restoration project.

1986

Mr. Pullekens restates he is the temporary acting clerk and strongly urges the Trustees find a replacement during the clerk's illness. The road superintendent, Doug Anderson, is asked to check all downspouts for ice buildup for the purpose of avoiding past problems. The Township insurance carrier notifies the Township they are not at fault for Joe Dysinski's dead tree. The Trustees agree the zoning resolution should be reviewed and updated. Zoning Inspector Jim Jones says the resolutions are so outdated as to be unenforceable for all practical purposes. Bob Hunker said the concept of private investors for the renovation project is not feasible. At the joint Township/Village meeting, Peninsula legal counsel questions why no township Trustee has been appointed to the Fire Board. Mr. Pullekens explains the state attorney general says no one need fill a post he does not want. After considerable discussion, the fire department budget is accepted. After a short discussion, the police budget is accepted. Peninsula indicates it cannot pay its share of the fire budget. The fire department no longer has a full time fire chief. Mr. Broderick continues to look into ways to fund the renovations for \$350,000 and to build another fire station. Molly Morgan is hired as deputy clerk. The Trustees agree to bill the cemetery \$105.00 for each grave dug by township employees, retroactive to December, 1983. The Trustees will advertise for a new member to the Zoning Commission as Max Rattner's term has expired already. Trustee Schneider asks that all Trustees be notified if one Trustee seeks a Prosecutor's opinion. Insuring the buildings is an ongoing issue. Mr. J. P. Redmond of Whaley Road is appointed to the Zoning Commission. Renovation plans are approved by the County Engineer and the State Fire Marshall; however, the buildings may still be uninsurable. The Fire District Clerk says that the board of elections is not responsible for paying for a fireman on duty during voter registration and elections; the township is. She asks for reimbursement to the district for the past several years. The Trustees acknowledge the need to pay firemen going forward. Route 8 area residents petition the Trustees for an area fire station. It was noted the rubbish pick up contract had expired in May, 1985 and rubbish pickup is continuing without a

contract. Randy Bergdorf reports there are some township records at the library. Trustee Schneider will check into it. The Tulley vs. Collins case is settled for \$825,000.00. The township portion is \$500,000.00 plus specified costs. The settlement was in the best interest of the township based on facts discovered at the trial. The township purchases a new truck. A new three year rubbish contract is awarded to Valley Rubbish. The 911 emergency number is approved. Oak Hill is closed to all but local traffic. Both Oak Hill and Hines Hill are to be examined by the Engineer. The Trustees discuss vacating Barlow Road east of State Route 8 and part of Wheatley Road. A contract is made with Peninsula to supply salt to the village in the winter. Zoning amendments are prepared for a public hearing and are reviewed by the Trustees. The zoning resolution changes are approved. A leaf loader is purchased for \$4,895.00. There is discussion of a township newsletter. The Park is asked for details of what hazardous material might be in the Krejci Dump. Longina Morgan will return as clerk in January, 1987.

1987

At the first meeting of the year the Trustees agree zoning will take priority this year. The Trustees also agree to meet weekly. The clerk is unable to resume her duties in January and Molly Morgan is again appointed clerk, but Edward Pullekens is given the duty of taking minutes. He is also asked to review the minute books for completeness and all Trustees agree to be sure all minutes are on file. The Trustees feel they cannot continue funding capital improvement projects for the Fire District from the Township General Fund. They feel the fire budget presented for 1987 is acceptable. The problems with the police budget are no liability insurance on police vehicles and no limit on liability to the township. At the joint meeting with Peninsula there is discussion of the need for a Fire District levy and discussion of how many mills should be put on the ballot. The police budget for the year is \$225,050.00. The Village would like a multi year contract; the Township wants a one year contract. Oak Hill Road is deteriorating. The Trustees request the Summit County Engineer make studies of all township roads, and especially make soil and other tests on Oak Hill. The Trustees will hire a geotechnical engineer to assess the slide and the general situation of the road. They do not want to close it permanently. Longina Morgan resumes her duties as clerk in March. The Trustees do not object to the vacation of a portion of Stine Road abutting the park. There is a complaint the Peninsula police are using non-township towing companies. Trash, trash fires and odors at United Foundations are bringing complaints. The zoning inspector will contact them again. Oak Hill residents attend most meetings and are also sent updates on the road by the County Engineer and the Township. John David Jones is hired as the consulting engineer on the road. The EPA begins reviewing contaminants at the Hines Hill dump. A developer who wants to construct additional housing on Whaley thinks it has been constructed 400 feet too short. The matter is referred to the County Engineer. Oak Hill residents questioned the selection of John David Jones as the engineer, feeling he had been hand picked by the engineer. The Trustees reiterate several times the bidding and selection process had been fair. The tennis courts at the middle school have become defective and the township is put on notice they are a potential hazard. The Trustees agree to repair the defective asphalt. The Trustees turn their attention to building renovations as nothing has been done in the last five and one half years. They advocate the formation of a committee to make recommendations. At the end of May there still is no police contract, although the township continues to make payments. There is new concern about the covered bridge, closed for several years, as it impedes emergency traffic. The Trustees request the Peninsula Police give priority to township towing companies. New zoning books have not

yet been prepared. Trucking companies to and from the Krejci dump are put on notice they will be held liable for damages to the road. The Trustees donate another \$10,000.00 to the library. The Trustees vote to terminate the month to month police contract with the Village in September. They also question various expenditures made for the police department. There are recommendations to demolish both the wood and brick buildings. There is an inquiry from New England into purchasing both buildings as an artist colony. The road superintendent will study speed limits on all roads in the township and make recommendations. The Summit County Sheriff makes a presentation for police services to the Trustees. The Trustees approve the police budget in September and agree to start discussing the 1988 budget. The Trustees indicate there must be a zoning procedure in order that enforcement is not selective. For both the police and fire budgets for 1987 the Trustees require 24 hour protection, patrolling three times a day, administration by the village, liability insurance and regular meetings. The Trustees purchase a chipper. Both Robert Hunker and the New England party are interested in bidding for the wood and brick buildings if they are auctioned. The plan for repairing Oak Hill is presented in October. Mr. Bishop is authorized to lease a portion of the parking lot for the sale of Christmas trees. United Foundations continues to present zoning problems. The park refuses access to their property in the repair of Oak Hill, rejecting the plans of John David Jones & Associates. John David Jones and the county engineer stood by the plan already submitted. John David Jones is authorized to contact the park and learn the rationale for rejecting the plans. At an emergency meeting held with the National Park the Trustees learn it will take a year to obtain federal permission for right of way clearances and that the park considers Oak Hill a minor access road. No federal funds would be had for repairs. Park officials suggested relocating the road. Oak Hill residents want a new engineering firm engaged, one that can expedite repairs. This is Mr. Broderick's final year as Trustee.

1988

At the first meeting of the year, new Trustee Randy Bergdorf is apprised of the Township's most pressing issues, Oak Hill Road, the fire contract, the police contract and the renovation of township buildings. The Trustees also agreed zoning is a priority, especially as it related to Route 8. Invitations to bid were issued for other engineering companies to present alternate repair plans for Oak Hill. There will be a new mayor in Peninsula for the joint meeting to discuss the fire and police budgets. The Post Office expresses interest in leasing part of the township buildings; the Trustees will listen to all proposals, but want them in writing. The postal service has no funds for renovations and also will not provide liability insurance coverage for any facility they would have on township property. Jim Jones, Zoning Inspector, reports the park is leasing parcels to 3rd parties for retail purposes. As they areas are not zoned commercial, he will notify the park they are in violation of township zoning. There is no consensus of the Fire Board on a budget for 1988, and the Peninsula representative to the board, Dewey Hanson wants the board increased from three to five members. The County engineer's office indicates all plans received for Oak Hill are incomplete and wonders if the repairs can be completed for under \$100,000.00 and if safety factors can be maintained. The Trustees will meet with two additional engineering firms, R&R and Polysystems. Peninsula Village has passed a resolution to increase the size of the fire board from three to five members; the Trustees are not ready to take this up, but they are in agreement with other changes made to the fire contract at the joint meeting. The township considers becoming part of a proposed enterprise zone that would offer tax abatements to businesses locating or expanding within communities that lost taxable property. PolySystems

is hired to make additional engineering studies of Oak Hill. The National Park Service still will not give permission to work within their road right of way and remains adamant the road should be relocated, not repaired. It is estimated this would cost no less than \$250,000.00. The Trustees believe it will be possible to make repairs without encroaching on the right of way. The Trustees are approached to put in basketball hoops at the tennis court. There are complaints about the trash service contractor. The Trustees learn liability insurance will still be a problem if the Post Office leases part of the township buildings. The Trustees decide to try to make a workable plan to begin renovation of the buildings. Junk cars in the township remain an issue. The Trustees have a lengthy discussion of the Peninsula resolution to increase the fire board to five members and vote to keep the board at three members. The Trustees ask Marty Griffith to look into the uses of and application for Issue II funds, recently passed by Ohio voters for use by small communities. The park denies authorizing retail operations at the leased parcels, but the lease agreement they entered clearly indicates retail is permitted. The BZA will take up the matter. Crane operations at United Foundations are disturbing the neighborhood, which has obtained legal counsel and is threatening a lawsuit. Junk cars and portable signs remain a problem. The township terminates the services of Cole & Co and enters into a contract with the Cuyahoga Falls prosecutor to handle the township's prosecution work. The Village of Peninsula indicates it does not have the funds to pay its proportional share of the 1989 fire budget. The Trustees discuss the potential for a fire levy and ask the Township Clerk to make a five year projection of township revenue to see if the township might provide the funding. The Trustees donate \$15,000.00 to the Peninsula Library. Approval of plans for Oak Hill Road are stalled by the backlog at the Engineer's office. The Trustees attempt to resolve the issues between United Foundations and neighbors. In August the engineer's office rejects PolySystems plans. A new park superintendent has been appointed and the Trustees hope to meet with him to discuss the Townships' problems. The Trustees purchase a new truck. In order to alleviate friction between the township and village that has developed over police protection, the Trustees want to present the village a plan for specified coverage at a specified rate. The Trustees believe if they are no longer involved in day to day operations of the police department the situation will improve, as will service to township residents. By October Polysystems is ready to submit new plans to the Engineer. They propose to use a fabric system to stabilize the road, keep water off the road and correct a deep seated fault. After acceptance of the plans, the work will take a short time. However, work easements need to be obtained from the park and that is estimated to take another sixty days from the time the park reviews the plans. Many trees would be saved by this plan; only those in the road right of way need be removed. Peninsula Mayor Ruoff proposed a police contract of \$160,000.00 for twenty four hour protection, calculated as one half the 1989 budget plus \$51,000.00 for an additional office and car. The mayor did not know how much time was being spent in the township or would be spent in the proposed contract. Kim and Carol Haramis receive permission to sell Christmas trees in the township parking lot. The Township is expecting delivery of its first computer. A Hudson resident would like to buy the wood building to open an antique mall. For insurance reasons both buildings must be sold together. The Trustees consider placing an ad to sell the buildings. The sheriff's department bids \$135,211.87 to patrol the township; the cost includes one car and four officers. Sagamore Hills proposes Stanford Road be vacated. The Haramis' will not use the parking lot to sell trees. The EPA gives the township a one year extension on septic systems repairs, 12 months to begin repairs once a permit is secured and 18 months to finish. General Diecasters expresses interest in the entire corner. The Trustees agree to get an appraisal of the property. The proposed salt contract

with Peninsula included a \$5 per load charge for use of township equipment and a \$5 per load charge for township personnel loading. Because of insurance requirements, Peninsula employees cannot use township equipment. The Trustees offer Peninsula \$100,000.00 for a police contract. The cost to the township for 1988 police protection was \$91,459.61. The \$141,000.00 fire budget with a 60/40 township-village split is approved. Polysystems does not furnish requested engineering data to the Engineer's office. They are put on notice to do so. Trustee George Fisher retires but is appointed to fill the remainder of his term (1989) without compensation. The retirement/appointment fulfills a PERS requirement for his retirement.

1989

The Trustees offer Peninsula \$102,000.00 for the 1989 police contract. Various parties remain interested in purchasing the township property. The chair of the KSU Historical Department would like to take on renovation plans as a class project at no cost to the township. The Village does not approve the Fire District budget and will only pay 40% of \$112,000.00. The Trustees confirm their approval of the original budget. The Trustees decide the best Oak Hill repair will be a soil buttress system and John David Jones & Assoc. is hired to complete permanent easement documents with the Park. To stop problems with skiers crossing Boston Mills road at unauthorized places the Trustees authorize the installation of warning flashers and other lights to be paid for and maintained by Boston Mills Ski Resort. Peninsula passes an income tax. The Fire District considers conserving money by using only one squad and charging non-residents for services. The Park says they are not introducing coyotes into the park system. It is reported up to 100 junk cars are parked at Parker Tire. Peninsula has not yet paid its fire bill at the end of April. Thirty five junk car citations are issued. Tires are piled thirty to seventy feet high at Parker Tire. To determine what direction to take with rubbish collection, the Trustees make a count of township homes and businesses. They count 303 homes and 34 businesses. One of the latter is the trailer park with 197 trailers. Park Superintendent Debo gets the Oak Hill Plans for review. Polysystems has a tax lien placed against it. Whaley Road residents and their attorney press for action in having United Foundations comply with zoning regulations. The Township pays a disputed Polysystems invoice to the IRS. The Park has to make an ecological impact study on the Oak Hill repairs. The Trustees consider grant applications to fund the repairs. The police stop a road rally scavenger hunt in the Township cemetery. Trustee Bergdorf attends the KSU presentation of plans for the township buildings and has the presentation made to the Trustees. Peninsula Village pays the fire bill according to \$112,000 budget set by Peninsula. The Post Office and other groups remain interested in the township property. The Fire Board will use professional testing and assessing to select candidates for Fire Chief. The fire department is preparing to bill for services. Because calls are down the underfunding by Peninsula has not become detrimental. The Trustees indicate the 1990 police budget submitted by the village is reasonable, but Mayor Ruoff will not discuss both the fire and police budgets at one meeting. He wants separate meetings. The Trustees contract with Redlin for one more year of rubbish removal. They are concerning about the rising cost and consider the feasibility of charging residents individually for rubbish removal. Redlin representatives indicate this how many communities are proceeding. The State Fire Marshall inspects Parker Tire. Redlin increases the trash pick up rate by 40%. The fire department will charge non-residents, but not residents, their guests, employees within the village or camp attendees. The Zoning Commission and the Zoning Inspector work on a comprehensive overhaul of the township zoning resolution. It is reported in November that Oak Hill has slipped some more. The Trustees consider a long

term contract with Ohio Edison that would reduce lighting costs by 73%. Papers for Park approval of Oak Hill work are still in Washington. As no other electric companies bid, the Township enters a 10 year contract with Ohio Edison for street lighting. The Trustees thank George Fisher for 34 years of hard and honest work on behalf of the community and wish him well in retirement.

1990

The sheriff submits a bid of \$141,211.87 to patrol the township. The Trustees offer Peninsula \$107,169.00 for a 1990 contract. Peninsula is negotiating with the sheriff for dispatching. The Trustees will apply for Issue 2 and gas tax funds for Oak Hill. The Trustees get an extension on installing the septic system. The Post Office remains interested in the township buildings. Trustee Bergdorf asks for a Citizens Input Committee for the buildings and prepares an application for possible grant monies. Summit County proposes a Seasons Road exit from Route 8 and asks the township to undertake \$6,900.00 of the project. The Boston Township Hall Committee meets every third Thursday of the month and works on grants. The Park grants an easement on Oak Hill for repairs. The BTHC wonders if it's worthwhile to pursue restoration of the buildings because of the cost; committee member John Lahoski feels money will not be an issue, there will be significant donations. Congressmen Jones and Sawyer support the renovation. Summit County will lower swamp water at the trailer park by two to three feet. The Trustees apply to the District 8 Summit County Infrastructure Committee for a \$118,000.00 grant for Oak Hill. The township share would be \$29,000.00 plus most of the monies already spent on engineering studies. The Trustees credited Randy Bergdorf for getting the application completed, Doug Anderson for getting pictures and Marilyn Griffith for getting petitions signed. Trustee Bergdorf indicates the BTHC is looking into becoming a non-profit group and wants to ascertain the townships' commitment to renovation. He suggests the Trustees meet with the committee. Oak Hill residents, headed by Max Rattner, express their extreme displeasure with the Trustees over the length of time Oak Hill has been closed, the use of an engineering firm of which they do not approve, the refusal of the Trustees to begin the repairs before final approvals are obtained. Ed Pulekins explained the situation as it existed, but the residents leave unhappy. Summit County Council considers a \$20,000.00 grant to replace the septic system. The swamp on Route 8 is reduced. The fire board is considering an operating levy. Superintendent Debo supports the Oak Hill repairs. The residents question why the township needs grant money and learn the township has little taxing authority. The Park is proposing an activity center for Oak Hill. The residents have not been notified. The Trustees will contact the Park about this and about the financial impact of the Park on the township. A ditching project on Keenan can be completed because draining the swamp has alleviated water problems. Mr. Broderick is not able to get information on the Park's proposed environmental campus. The township does not get the Oak Hill grant and looks for other available money. The Trustees and the Community Committee to restore the township buildings discuss restoration procedures. The Park proposes a National Park Nature Camp. Oak Hill residents complain there is no impact on the community study while Superintendent Debo declares the Park will change nothing about the plan. The Township's census is 1,370 people, the Village is 550. The Clerk reports the Trustees are looking into many projects and funds are dwindling. An *Akron Beacon Journal* article says the Park should help with roads. The Township awaits answers from the Summit County Health Department on its new septic system and the road crew continues to try to locate the old system. Zoning violations at Tamsin Park and S.A.L. Industries (both owned by Redman) are presented

to the Trustees. The Trustees vote to pay Peninsula \$118,500.00 for the 1991 police contract. There is a possibility of road funding through the NPS. Citations are issued to Redman for zoning violations.

1991

The cost split for fire will remain 60/40 in 1991. Peninsula reports a \$20,000.00 cost overrun for the police department in 1990. They ask the township pay \$9,910.74 of the amount. The Trustees enter a two year contract with the Village and agree to pay the overrun amount. The township will pay 1/3 of the expense for an impact study of the negative impact of the park on the township. The township rents a dumpster for the restoration committee for repairs begun. Graffiti problems continue on the Hines Hill bridge. The township receives a block grant for the septic system. Another block grant application will be made for electrical work on the town hall. The cost of the impact study will be \$18,000.00, contracted by the Township, the Park and the Village. No Parking signs need to be posted on Oak Hill and Major Roads as cars and busses visiting the park are blocking the road. The township receives a \$23,000.00 block grant for electrical work. The township applies again for Title 2 funds for Oak Hill. Many residents visit the town hall on Memorial Day. There are complaints the parade was cancelled. Septic tank work has to be completed by September 30th or the township will lose the block grant. The police expect a \$30,000.00 budget increase. The 1992 budget for the fire department is \$118,700.00, the split is 60/40. Illegal dumping continues at the old Sirpilla site. The police cannot stop it because the dumpers present permission slips. Sirpilla denies issuing the permits. The citizens lawsuit against United Foundations is in court to be determined if the issue is a private nuisance or zoning violations. The Trustees ask Ed Pullekens to support Zoning Inspector Jim Jones in his efforts against zoning violations at Sirpilla, Boston Car and others. A fire levy will go on the ballot in 1991. Mr. Sirpilla indicates he wants to cooperate in stopping the illegal dumping. The septic tank is installed and should be fenced in. Randy Bergdorf attends meetings concerned with bringing Cleveland water to the Seasons Road interchange area. The first phase of the impact study shows 13 million dollars of valuation have been removed from township tax rolls and more is anticipated. The Clerk warns that continual increases in police cost will deplete Township funds to the point the township cannot pay for police protection and the police department would cease to exist. The police budget is approved at \$131,200.00. The contract with Lee Cole to handle township prosecution work is continued at \$50.00/hour. Zoning violations continue at SAL and Tamsin Park. Hines Hill bridge graffiti has not been removed. There are continuing reports of gunfire and automatic weapon fire in the Keenan Road area. Superintendent Debo is made aware of gunfire on Geoppert Road near Park property; Park rangers will contact the police chief. Disturbances on Main Street continue. Juveniles are stopped and parents notified. The tennis courts need repair. The Board of Elections reports they may stop using the town hall for elections in future as there are no handicapped facilities. Trustee Bergdorf says poll workers are trained to go the cars to help with the voting. Hudson Township has permission to start a water district. The estimate for repair of the tennis courts is \$7,850.00. A new clerk's office is discussed with the Hall Committee. The hall committee is also looking for specifications from the Trustees for the size of a new Township road garage. The responsibility for the removal of graffiti from the Hines Hill bridge cannot be determined. The Fire District will put an operating levy on the ballot in 1992. The Trustees want to have the park service and the federal government involved in road repairs. Trustee Bergdorf is hopeful of receiving an historic preservation grant from the Ohio State legislature.

1992

There is no progress on the Hines Hill Road bridge cleanup. The Hall Committee is concerned about its role in restoration. A meeting between the Committee and the Trustees is arranged to set out a five year plan. A 6.5 mill five year fire district operating levy is considered for the May ballot. A meeting is planned to finalize the zoning book which the Trustees want filed with the county as soon as possible. The township passes the first audit of its block grant funds. The Cuyahoga Valley Communities Council impact study is ready for presentation. The first part studies the fiscal effect of the formation of the park; the second projects the fiscal situation of the township and the village into 1996. At the Park's inception the township was forecast to lose 17% of its taxable revenue; to date it has lost 48% and further losses will occur. When the park is completed there will be 816 taxable acres remaining, out of 9,600. In addition, because of the Rousch inheritance the Summit County Budget Commission previously ended the taxing authority of the Township, stating the Township must fund operations from inheritance money. The study outlines financial corrections that can help but not solve the problems. The fire district levy will be 5.5 mills. The Boston Township Service League seeks help from the Township. The Trustees will take it up with Peninsula at the joint meeting. The Impact Study is under review. The Oak Hill bidding process will begin. The Trustees would like to get the park to pay for part of it. The Trustees look into cost cutting measures in road maintenance. The Hall Committee applies for several grants totaling a million dollars and Trustee Bergdorf applies for a grant for the elevator. Boston and Richfield Townships exchange roadwork; one will plow joint jurisdiction roads, the other mow and patch. The Ohio EPA is investigating the Krejci dump. The proposed Seasons Road interchange continues to be discussed. The NPS is approached for funding for Oak Hill. The tennis courts need repairs. The Trustees will approach the school superintendent about taking responsibility for the courts. The graffiti is still on the Hines Hill bridge. An ad hoc committee is formed to study the fiscal situation of the township and the village. Summit County tax collection fees exceed taxes collected. Repair of the tennis courts should take place after mid-June as the students are using the. It is noted the school's lease on the courts had expired two years ago; a new one should be prepared. The estimated cost to repair the courts is \$8,295.00. Removing the tennis courts will be more expensive than repairing them and as for giving them to the school, the courts probably would not be accepted in the current state of disrepair. Because the lease has expired the township cannot repair the tennis courts. The township enters an agreement to provide road services to Peninsula; the police budget is on track. The Hines Hill Bridge graffiti is removed by the State in June. Trustee Broderick retired in June. Five people respond to a request for interested parties to fill the vacancy. Excessive storage of tires continues at Parker Tire. After interviewing the five candidates, John Puchalsky is appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Broderick. Mr. and Mrs. Ausperk request the township vacate Canal Street or find a way to drain the water. The NPS wants more environmental impact studies on Oak Hill, which could lead to the loss of Issue II funding for repairs because the project would not start on time. Tamsin Park requests a C-1 liquor permit. After a meeting of the Trustees, the county engineer, the Oak Hill repair engineer, John David Jones and the park, it was decided by all the Township should proceed with Oak Hill repairs. The new zoning resolution is presented to the Trustees. Sagamore Hills Township wants to install a closure gate on the township side of Stanford Road. The underground storage tanks have not been removed and the cost of repairs to the tennis courts climbs to \$20,000.00. Mr. Fourcier from Tamsin Park continues to attend meeting and complain of the lack of zoning enforcement along Route 8. The road superintendent has not responded to the Trustees

concerning the vacation or draining of Canal Street. Estimates to repair the tennis courts climb to \$26,900.00. A change in the definition of Federal roads means some Park money might be available for road repairs. Summit County intends to move a portion of Boston Mills Road in the ski resort area to be parallel to the railroad tracks; to realign the bridge over the Cuyahoga River and relocate the park at Riverview and Boston Mills. The cost will be 1.5 million; the impact on historic Boston minimal. The County Engineer's office is also working on a design to eliminate the S curve railroad crossing on Riverview. The Trustees authorize notifying the county to begin vacation petitions for Canal Street. Sagamore Hills Trustees decide to put the closure gate on the Sagamore side of Stanford. The fire district takes delivery of a new fire truck. Oak Hill is put out for bids in November. In addition to Issue II funds, the NPS grants some funds toward the project. The Issue II contract stipulates the project be finished no later than July, 1993. The Summit County Engineer's Office is asked to prepare a platt map for the vacation of Canal Street. The November general election is held at the library due to the lack of handicap accessibility at the township hall. The hall committee is addressing this problem. Juveniles roaming the cemeteries are becoming a problem which will be addressed by the Cemetery Board. The township enters into a contract to plow and salt village roads. The cost of the next police contract will be \$131,120.00. Trustee Bergdorf notes Boston has become known as "hell town" and Peninsula and Sagamore Police and the NPS would patrol Stanford Road more often. The 1990 census indicated 492 households in the township.

1993

The Township receives reimbursement of payments in excess of police cost for 1992. The National Park Service acquires about 440 acres on Hines Hill Road. As part of a road funding package the NPS asks the township(s) seriously consider closing Stanford, Wetmore and/or Hines Hill. Junk cars continue to be cited and more tires are stacked at Parker Tire. Ohio Edison will remove street lights no longer needed when notified of their location or pole number. A slide area has developed on Wheatley Road. Oak Hill needs widening near the Wheatly intersection. The Township, the Village, Richfield Township and the NPS discuss Major Road improvements. Possible funding sources are 20% Issue II funds and 20% Park Service. PK&G will develop a comprehensive plan for the township. Repairs have not been made to the tennis courts. The NPS will fund 90% of improvement costs for Stanford and Hines Hill Roads. Mr. Fourcier attends many meeting with zoning issues and pursues removal of a barn from the Indian Mill property. The Oak Hill repair project is awarded to GKL Construction for a bid of \$165,038.90. The Joint Fiscal Study Group continues its work. Residents are concerned about damage to Oak Hill by construction equipment for the NPS Environmental Center. The Joint Fiscal Study group discusses possible annexation or merger of the Township and the Village. Material begins to be removed from the Krejci dump. A time table is established for Oak Hill. The School Board waits on plans from its engineering firm for tennis court repairs. The road superintendent continues to work on the Canal Street vacation. The new police budget of \$276,040.00 is unchanged from the previous year and will allow for 8 to 10% raises for the officers. The village continues to contract with the township for snow removal. The \$40,000.00 cost to resurface the tennis courts is discussed at the July joint meeting. The deer problem, increased visitors as a result of the towpath and Environmental Center are discussed. The estimated cost to repair the tennis courts rises to \$54,000.00. There is a possibility of obtaining another \$10,000.00 from the NPS for the Oak Hill Road project. Zoning Inspector Jim Jones resigns and after interviewing several candidates, Nicholas DiNardi, Sr. is hired to fill the 1993

term of zoning inspector. It appears there will be cost overruns on the Oak Hill project. School officials begin looking at ways to finance repairs to the tennis courts and ask what the Township and Village might contribute. The Township and the Village hope to put together a joint waste management bid. The Hall Committee is looking into legal status to be able to help the Township manage its buildings. Communities are studying methods of deer control. The township will install fuel tanks on the property. The Pflugm, Klausmeier & Gerhum report indicates the Park must become responsible for the continuing maintenance of at least 35% of township roads. The Woodridge School Board will go ahead with repairs to the tennis courts and will appreciate any help that the Township or Village might give. The Trustees will ask for an analysis of the Oak Hill cost overruns and discuss the need to widen the road at the bottom to allow Environmental Center busses to pass safely. A Deer Management Committee is formed. Residents are upset at the number of trees removed for the Oak Hill project. Amendments to the zoning resolution are presented. The vacation of Canal Street awaits a plat map from the county engineer. The school board reports cost to repair the tennis courts will be \$41,688.00 and requests any help the Township might offer. They ask the Township and Village to contribute half the cost, but if the school bond issues passes, the money won't be needed. Oak hill is reopened on October 22nd. The BTHC presents plans for window reconstruction in the buildings. The Trustees consider having the road levy reinstated rather than eliminate the road department, as recommended by the PKG study. The 1994 police budget does not increase over the current budget and allows for 13% pay increases for the officers. PKG is the "point guard" for setting up meetings with the NPS, the County Executive and the County Engineer to discuss the future of the township. The Trustees agree they have a responsibility to the tennis courts and enter into lease agreement with the school board for \$8,000.00 for use of the tennis courts by Township citizens and stipulating that if the school levy passes, the entire cost, less expense will be reimbursed to the township. The Park may fund Major Road improvements. An elevator remains under discussion. 1994 is the last year street lights will be removed without charge and Ohio Edison recommends the township develop a list of street lights that can be removed.

1994

The replacement windows are in; the Hall Committee and the Trustees are looking for a construction company to install them. The vacation of Wheatly Road is on the Summit County Council agenda. A limousine is parking in the township parking lot. The joint fiscal study group presents its final report. Bergdorf will make an analysis of 1993 spending in order to plan ahead. The Trustees inform the limo owner that parking in the township lot is permitted, but overnight parking is not. Richenbacher Construction will install the windows. Changes on Oak Hill are being noted and documented. The joint fiscal study group notes that other communities and even residents are unaware of the township's fiscal situation. The recommendation is to make an action plan and take action. OSHA is assessing facilities and making recommendations. The Trustees designate their buildings as a blight on the community in order to receive CDBG funds. The hall committee would like to hire a project manager. Final planting of trees remains on Oak Hill. To deal with the financial crisis, the Trustees decide to make a list of roads to close and begin negotiations with the County Engineer, then to begin discussing possibilities with Peninsula. The County Engineer is asked to inspect Township roads and submit a cost estimate for maintenance. Because the school levy passed, the tennis court issues appears to have gone away. The BTHC works to establish its legal status. The Trustees inspect the finished work on Oak Hill. The Engineers' Office completes a survey of Canal Street and needs to prepare a plat

map. The Trustees meet with the County Prosecutor to inform him of the impending fiscal crisis in the Township and ask if the County can assume responsibility for roads. The Prosecutor researches State and local law for a solution and finds there is no mechanism for providing financial help to the township. He suggests contacting the secretary of the interior. For an undocumented reason, Richenbacher will not be installing the replacement windows and other companies interested are having trouble obtaining prevailing wage information from the US Dept of Housing and Urban Development. The Major Road project may be funded by a grant. The Trustees agree they do not need to lay off any of the road department before the end of September. Roofing materials and barrels are being buried at Parker Tire. Scobie Road will be resurfaced in a joint project between the Township, Richfield Township and the Small Government Committee. The Trustees look into Joint Economic Development Zones and discuss the plight of Boston Township with the Mayor of Akron. Bergdorf receives an American Community leadership award. The limo is being parked overnight; Pullekens will warn the owner. Painting at Boston Car is referred to the fire department. The Boston Township Hall Committee, Inc. proposes a lease arrangement with the township. The proposal will be reviewed by the County Prosecutor. Quotes for installation of the windows are still being obtained. Park funded road projects continue. A contractor is selected to install the windows. State Representative Karen Doty remains active in helping the Township and Village find a financial solution. Fire department personnel are concerned with the lack of satisfactory restroom facilities for the fire department. They offer to pay rent if that will lead to improvements. There are discussions with the County Prosecutor concerning the legal status of the Hall Committee. Because Township trucks are inoperable, the Township relies on Peninsula for snow removal in November and December. The Trustees will discuss future planning with Tim Davis at the January meeting.

1995

Road department employees receive pay increases for the first time since 1991. Tim Davis offers to meet with Trustees to consider how the county might help to resolve the financial problems. The Trustees will meet with the Hall Committee to discuss an agreement. The Canal Street plat map is finished. Both dump trucks need replaced. The Trustees circulate petitions to place formation of a merger commission on the ballot. The Trustees agree to form a working coalition with Peninsula to negotiate the future and keep the NPS and Summit County involved in ongoing road maintenance. Eighteen wheel semi trailers are using Oak Hill to make deliveries to the Environmental Center. A JEDD with Akron is proposed for Oak Hill, Everett and Wetmore. Valley Fire continues to hear Boston Heights might be interested in EMS services. There are architectural drawings for an elevator. The windows are installed; the project is complete. The Community Development Block Grant Program is anticipating serious funding cuts. The BTHC receives a \$40,000.00 grant from the Gund Foundation. The Trustees purchase two new trucks. Boston Heights discusses EMS service with Valley Fire. A solution is sought for sliding trees at the top of Oak Hill. The Zoning Inspector asks for help having BZA meetings scheduled in the appropriate time frame. The BTHC recommends the elevator project be reevaluated. The BTHC lease agreement goes to the County Prosecutor for evaluation. The BTHC announces the brick building will be renovated first; the wood building second. A retaining wall may be required for Oak Hill containment. The Summit County engineer explains how the County could maintain township roads, but said if the township merges with the village it would not be possible. He also says his office has no knowledge of the Canal Street vacation.

East Ohio will install a gas line on Stine Road. The Trustees and BTHC hope to finalize the lease agreement by July. Roads are being repaired through Issue II funds and cooperative agreements with the park. The Trustees, Valley Fire and the BTHC discuss issues to be resolved for the lease agreement. The Summit County Planning Commission will act on the Canal Street vacation at their September meeting. The Hall Committee receives a \$150,000.00 grant from the GAR Foundation. After vandalism in the cemetery, police patrols are added and citizens asked to be vigilant. Congressman Sawyer tells the township there is no federal solution to the financial problem. The BTHC indicates rental income from both the Township and the Fire District will be a critical part of their operating budget. The Fire District indicates it would like to enter a separate lease agreement with the township in which the Fire District is responsible for maintenance of the building and all capital improvements. The Trustees attempt to move forward with the BTHC lease agreement, but the Fire District challenges their requirement to pay rent for what they considered a rent free facility in perpetuity. They indicate they can build a facility elsewhere. They agree to discuss their issues further with the BTHC. There will be extra cemetery patrols at Halloween. Bergdorf wins the American Hometown Leadership award; the township donates the \$5,000.00 prize money to the BTHC. The agreement with the BTHC is executed and forward to the Prosecutor for comment. The Trustees have issues with the current and next police contract. Peninsula clerk Rutledge and Council member Kaplan explain the contracts. Kaplan says the park must also be involved in future planning. Broadview proposes building a plant in Boston Township to convert Parker Tire tires into energy. The Trustees accept the 1996 police contract for an amount not to exceed \$294,725.00. Summit County Council will vote on the vacation of Canal Street in January.

1996

The township may not be able to continue paying 50% of the police budget. Since a police district cannot be formed under existing law, Township and Village officials will ask State Representative Karen Doty for advice. The Trustees enter into a police contract in February, stipulating they will pay no more than one half of the budget previously approved. The Fire Department and the BTHC work together to resolve the Fire District concerns about the building. Canal Street is vacated and the item is off the agenda. A court judgment requires Parker Tire obtain an EPA permit, cease accepting tires and continually remove tires from the property. The Merger Commission reports on the financial status of the communities, the possibility of reduced police and fire service and road maintenance. The Hall Committee begins obtaining building permits to commence work on the brick building. The new zoning resolution has its first public hearing. The County is ready to begin construction on a new Boston Mills bridge over the Cuyahoga. The Trustees continue to explain the unique situation of the Township to various County officials who may have advice or help to offer. A sinkhole appears on Wetmore Road. Summit County approves the revised Zoning Resolution. The Trustees discuss banking the balance of the Rousch money and investigating what levies they could put to the voters. The township offers \$130,000 for 1997 police protection. The Trustees decide to put a 7 mill police levy on the November ballot. It is recognized spending must be drastically curtailed and other revenue sources or help must be found. The Trustees strongly oppose the proposed relocation of Boston Park in order to relocate Riverview Road to incorporate Boston Mills Ski parking on the same side of the road as the ski facility. Land application of sludge near Major Road is opposed by residents and Trustees. A letter explaining the need for a police levy will be sent to all residents. The Sheriff, Richfield and Boston Heights Villages are asked for cost proposals for

police protection. The EPS indicates no objection to the land application of sludge. The police levy will be discussed at Meet the Candidates Night. The Boston Mills Cuyahoga River bridge will probably be built in 1997/98. The county engineer will present Oak Hill repair plans at a public meeting. The Fire District decides to stay in its present location at 1775 Main Street. Voters pass the 7 mill police levy and negotiations on the 1997 police contract with Peninsula begin. Trustee Puchalsky, police liaison, reports police expenditures of \$279,602.00 through the first 11 months. The Trustees again offer \$130,000 for 1997, for the same level of service as 1996. Scobie, Wetmore and Hines Hill Roads are repaired with Park funding and Township funds. A regional tax to help fund the impact of the Park, redistricting school districts and a JEDD agreement with Hudson or Cuyahoga Falls are discussed.

1997

The BTHC will be getting bids for elevator, electrical and fire prevention improvements. Bergdorf will attend a meeting concerning a JEDD with Hudson, who indicate they wish to study the matter further. The Trustees express interest in purchasing the property north of the Town Hall for a septic easement. The Riverview Road realignment will be completed over two construction seasons. The proposed police contract is approved by the Village. Summit County Health Department has an injunction against tire hauling at Parker Tire. There are electrical power surges in the Township and Village affecting electrical equipment. The deer population remains a problem. Ohio Edison conducts voltage variation tests at selected locations. Renovation of the brick building proceeds quickly and the township has the potential of receiving free office furniture from either the Boy Scouts or Allstate Insurance. The Fire District will pass a 4.0 mill operating levy on the ballot, a reduction from the 5.5 mill levy in place. Doug Anderson resigns as road superintendent. The Trustees will interview Tim Tesmer to learn his thoughts about the future of the Township road department and the job. There is another slide on Oak Hill. The county engineer is involved and residents will be kept informed. Peggy Spraggins from Kent State University continues to act as consultant to the township in the financial crisis, working on JEDD projects with Hudson, Stow, Cuyahoga Falls and a regionalization tax. Tim Tesmer becomes the acting Road Superintendent. The elevator and HVAC systems will be funded by CDBG grants. The Trustees object to the installation of a cellular tower on West Boston Mills Road by the Tynan Group because it was not done with the approval of the Zoning Commission. The Trustees look for grants to fund police protection. A zoning certificate is issued to the Tynan Group. The 3rd lane construction project for the Ohio Turnpike bridge through the township is explained by the Turnpike Commission. Oak Hill is closed at the request of the county engineer. Bergdorf, Peggy Spraggins, Park Superintendent DeBo and others meet with the County Executive and County Engineer regarding the Township's financial condition. The Engineer and Executive will make their recommendations. Oak Hill repairs are placed on hold pending review by the County Engineer. The BTHC presents a lease agreement to the Fire District. Zoning Inspector DiNardi requests the Trustees make a clear and concise policy concerning cellular towers. Schneider is displeased with the quality of work being done at the Township Hall. The proposed 1998 police budget is \$172,645.00. The Township and Village agree to look for funding sources for police. The Summit County Sheriff's Department proposes police service to the Village, the Township or both. Vandalism becomes a problem in the cemeteries. Power surges continue to be a problem. The Township and the Village file complaints with the EPA concerning sludge odors from the composting facility in Richfield. Their trucks are also placing a burden on local roads. Hudson

supplies water to Happy Days. Century Cycle donates a bicycle to the Peninsula Police department. Recommendations for Oak Hill are to close it, move it to a more stable location or repair it. Minimum repair costs are estimated at \$350,000.00. There are citizen complaints of odors from the Cuyahoga Falls composting facility on Akron Cleveland Road. Peggy Spraggins reports the County Executive will make no concessions for the township, but the County Engineer agrees to provide some limited services to the township at a reduced price. Nextel agrees to follow township zoning procedure prior to erecting a cell tower on Akron Cleveland Road. There is discussion among the Trustees, the Fire District and the Hall Committee on best ways to maximize space for the Fire District. Cemetery vandalism continues. The last two residents of Everett move out. The Ohio EPA orders K&B Compost to cease operations at the Richfield sludge site. The U.S. Dept of Interior recommends the Township negotiate a settlement with the Park Service concerning the Krejci Dump clean up. The township receives an emergency Issue 2 grant to begin repairs on Oak Hill. The first tenant moves into the town hall.

1998

Peninsula council member Kaplan suggests the Village and Township form a committee to study long term police and funding needs of the communities. The Sheriff proposal for part time police protection plus a float car from Northern Summit County is \$103,500.00. The Township also has a three month contract proposal from Peninsula. Power surge problems continue. Motors at Boston Mills may be the cause. Peggy Spraggins presents proposals for JEDDs with Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Stow or Peninsula. Three rooms of the hall have been rented. The Trustees enter a three month police contract with Peninsula for 1/4th the cost of the 1998 police budget. The contract can be terminated on one month's notice. The zoning committees continue to work on the cell tower situation. The Boston Mills Road bridge project has not commenced. The Sheriff becomes the township police force and will have an office at the township hall. Council's police protection proposal is more than the township could afford. The Peninsula quote for police protection is \$283,800.00 for the first year of a three year contract. The change is made because of economics, not performance. Steve Craig, Peninsula council member, said there had been a breakdown by Peninsula in the police contract negotiating process and indicated the village would like to continue negotiations for future. The Trustees indicated they were open to negotiations, but a contract with a one year notice of cancellation has been signed with the Sheriff. The change in service is effective May 1st. The Township does receive a COPS grant for \$225,000.00 over three years. The County Engineer obtains written permission from NPS to move Oak Hill. The Trustees continue to look into a COPS grant to fund police protection. The Village says there is nothing official to indicate any refund of the unused police payment. The septic issue for the town hall is unresolved. There is discussion of the Barlow Road extension east of Akron Cleveland and if the township is obligated to remove the paving. There is considerable discussion of the best way to proceed with the Oak Hill relocation. The Trustees accept the Lockhart Construction bid for Oak Hill. Anderson states for the record her displeasure with the county and park exceeding their authority and excluding the township from major decisions concerning the road. The Coliseum property probably will be acquired by the park and go off the tax rolls. The township would like additional space in the town hall. The Oak Hill project is anticipated to be completed by years' end; the Riverview Road realignment will begin in 2000. Peggy Spraggins reports payroll for businesses in the Route 8 corridor is 8.2 million and Cuyahoga Falls is very interested in forming a JEDD. There still is no lease agreement between the BTHC and the Fire District. The Trustees support Boston Heights in

attempting to prevent the development of a MegaMall by Mills Corp. The Turnpike Commission meets with the Trustees to discuss the turnpike bridge replacement and indicate the biggest impact of the project will be the ability of safety forces to service the entire Township during some phases of construction. The lack of janitorial services and the use of the emergency phone in the elevator to make long distance calls are noted.

1999

A Sheriff's office is being made in the town hall. JEDD possibilities with Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson and Boston Heights are discussed. Bergdorf and Spraggins meet with the County Executive in hope of securing additional Local Government Revenue Assistance funding, and learn he supports the idea, but the monies would have to come from the share of other townships, not the County or municipalities. The BTHC has not completed the Sheriff's office because stone for flooring has not arrived. Bergdorf explains it is in the best interests of all to complete the room as the township will not pay rent until it is occupied. The business district boundaries need clarified and a comprehensive zoning plan should be developed. The Township and the Village support the construction of a new post office building in Peninsula. The County Engineer's office is working on the final stages of a vacation of the Barlow Road extension. The asphalt may not have to be removed. The road superintendent obtains a grant for a new leaf sweeper and the old sweeper is sold. Hunker says it is impossible to furnish a breakdown of labor and material for construction of the Sheriffs' room. The Hall Committee discusses turning management of the building over to the Trustees. A discussion of Gypsy Moths is held for residents at the town hall, with advice from an expert. At the joint Village Township meeting there is discussion of a grant to restore the Cedar Grove mausoleum. Peninsula Village is working on a \$700,000.00 grant to install a retaining wall at Cedar Grove. The Township and the County Engineer are working together to obtain the National Guard facility on W. Boston Mills as a maintenance area. Peninsula is interested in joining this project. The Village and Township need to educate the population to Gypsy Moth problems in order to obtain enough release signatures to have the state spray the area in spring 2000. The Hall Committee and Trustees meet to attempt to resolve outstanding rental fee and utility issues. They agreed they need to work together for the ongoing renovations to be successful. The Summit County Planning Commission offers to assist the Township in making a comprehensive plan. A concert at the Boston Mills ski area is loud and disruptive. The Sheriff had not been made aware of the event. The Zoning Inspector and legal counsel are asked to look into the issues of concerts at the facility. The ski run manager states they felt no zoning approval was needed for their concerts. The BTHC and the Fire District agree to a \$350,000.00 plan to add 25 feet to the front of the building. In addition, two men are now on duty at the station each day. Boston Mills is advised to meet with zoning officials before the next concert season in order to work out zoning issues. The Historical Society recognizes the township and hall committee with an award for restoration of the buildings. Anderson works on a project to put address markers on all township properties. General election voting returns to the town hall. East Barlow Road is vacated by resolution of the Trustees. There is conflict with the Hall Committee over road department use of the grounds for road business; the Hall Committee contacted the Engineer's office directly on behalf of the Trustees. There is discussion of a Township website. Hunker asks that machinery and "rubble" be removed from the parking lot. He is told this is the Township road yard and the road department works under the direction of the Trustees, not Mr. Hunker. The Trustees receive the Summit County Council resolution for the vacation of Barlow Road. But the council has an

issue with the vacation. Zoning Inspector Nick DiNardi resigns in December. Bergdorf and Spraggins will meet with the Summit County Department of Budget and Management concerning additional funding for the township.

2000

The Hall Committee would like to see an organized plan for parking, recognizing space is needed for township equipment. A petition may be required to vacate Barlow Road. DiNardi continues as zoning inspector. Hunker requests substantiation of the funds paid to the Hall Committee by the Trustees by voter authorization. The Summit County Department of Budget and Management indicates the township road department is too extravagant and should cut back and the Township should put a road levy on the ballot. Boston Mills has not submitted a zoning plan to the Zoning Commission, as apparently ordered by the court in a Township law suit. The Trustees remain interested in entering into a JEDD with any interested entity. Their request to Summit County for an annual \$160,000.00 grant must be followed up with a complete analysis of income and expense. The Barlow Road vacation will require a petition signed by twelve property owners. A public meeting will be held on Boston Mills' request for a zoning change. ODOT is interested in using the National Guard site on Boston Mills Road. The Trustees apply for a CDBG to chip and seal residential roads in the Route 8 corridor. Cable TV may come to parts of the township and the gas line is extended down Akron Cleveland Road. Maintenance and cleanliness of the Town Hall remains a concern of the Trustees. It appears the county will not approve additional funds for the township. The BZA denies a zoning change to Boston Mills over concern about concerts in a residential area. The 1966 tractor is kept working for another season. All Ohio Landscaping presents a composting certificate from Summit County. The Zoning Inspector believes this overrides any Township zoning. Summit County denies the Township's request for a grant; it would set a precedent and the Township is not desperate enough yet. A status hearing on the Boston Mills matter is expected in Common Pleas court. 400 sets of address markers are purchased. A developer hopes to begin a housing development project at Tamsin Park, Salt Run Community, in 2001. Water would be supplied by Cuyahoga Falls and roads maintained by the community homeowners association. The Fire Board looks at other sites due to lack of adequate parking, lack of showers and septic issues. Union Cemetery needs additional funding above the \$2,000.00 grant from Summit County to repair the mausoleum. The Township Association of Summit County endorses the townships' request for an annual \$160,000.00 grant from Summit County. DiNardi indicates he must resign as Zoning Inspector due to failing eyesight. The State will sell the National Guard property to the township for \$595,000.00. The Tamsin Park project goes to the Summit County Planning Commission in the fall. Union Cemetery receives a \$30,000.00 grant from the State of Ohio Capital Improvements fund to restore the mausoleum.

2001

Peggy Spraggins reports no surrounding communities seem interested in forming a JEDD with the Township. Paul Kaczmarek is hired as zoning inspector at the rate of \$500.00 per month. There are water leaks in the building causing ceiling and wall damage. The Zoning Commission denies the Tamsin Park housing project. A 7 mill police protection replacement levy will be on the August ballot. Storm windows funded by a CDBG are installed. Topsoil being collected by the road superintendent for a Woodland Drive project is spread across the parking area by Hall Committee workers. The Trustees ask it be replaced or paid for. There are dust and pothole

issues with residential roads paved by Kenmore Construction with the CDBG funding in 2000. The Communities Council supports the townships' request for a \$160,000.00 grant and the Trustees hope to meet with county council on the matter. The fire levy will be increased to 6.3 mills. The Summit County Engineer recommends contacting Kenmore Construction regarding Geoppert Road. The township submits a CDBG application to assist seniors and the disabled with snow removal. After a fatal accident there the Trustees request a traffic signal at Kendall Park and Akron Cleveland Roads. The county engineer starts a traffic study. The Hall Committee will replace the roof on the brick building, do necessary tuck pointing and pave the entire parking area. Anderson is appointed coordinator of a Senior Citizens' Snow Plow program. The 2002 police contract will be \$127,950.00.

2002

The Senior Snow removal program is started. Deer hunting in the Oak Hill and Scobie Road areas is a threat to area residents. The Sheriff steps up patrols. The Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing regarding amendments to Adult Entertainment Uses in the Business Corridor. A new mowing tractor and front end loader are needed. The Trustees conclude the NPS policy of "open communication" has broken down on learning the park has been considering purchase of three additional township properties for the last three years. The Trustees request separate metering of township electricity use by the BTHC. The Zoning Commission approves the amendments to the Adult Entertainment Uses in the Business Corridor. A prosecutor's opinion states the township has concurrent jurisdiction with the Park in respect to land use issues. In the event of a conflict, the township cannot impose its zoning regulations in an adverse fashion to the land use put forth by the park; the two should work together to formulate zoning regulations that would enhance the park as well as protect the township. The Trustees approve the new zoning resolution amendments in May. Cuyahoga Falls indicates they would annex the former Tamsin Park area for the purpose of development. A new front end loader/back hoe is delivered in June. The township applies for another block grant for continuing restoration of the town hall. The Summit County Engineer proposes taking over Oak Hill, Stine, Major and Hines Hill Roads as county roads. The owners of Tamsin Park present an annexation petition to the city of Cuyahoga Falls. The Trustees retain Al Schrader, a specialist in annexation issues. Vandalism in the township and especially in the cemeteries is a problem again. A meeting with the public and the Sheriff is scheduled to discuss the problem; twenty six attend. The Fire District goes on a strict budget in order to facilitate the acquisition of a new building. The Village indicates they are interested in submitting a police service contract proposal, but none is presented for 2003. An NPS acquisition plan map is reviewed.

2003

The Trustees learn they are part of the Summit Soil and Water Conservation District; Tim Tesmer is appointed to attend the meeting and be sure the Township is in compliance. The county agrees to pay for road damage done by county trucks while plowing. The Zoning Inspector and Trustees investigate the agricultural zoning exemption and question whether property owners on Route 8 are properly exempt. The Zoning Inspector will continue to investigate. The Trustees learn local government funds may be eliminated or reduced by the state. The annexation agreement is still pending before Summit County Council and a JEDD agreement is being discussed. Citizen complaints about bike riders on the roads are referred to the Sheriff. The proposed annexation/JEDD may involve a change in sewer districts. Extreme

spring rains and flooding put both the Fire District and the Road Department under pressure, but both are keeping up. The EPA rejects the Fire District's proposal to build a new station on the Boy Scout property. The bell tower restoration contracts are signed. The village presents a police contract proposal for 2004. A public hearing is set for the proposed JEDD. The proposed Peninsula police contract is \$60,000.00 over the cost of the current sheriff contract. The BZA approves a salt storage facility for the county at the old armory site. The new County Engineer has offered to continue services to the township at the same rates as his predecessor; however, no contract has been received. Cuyahoga Falls accepts both the JEDD and annexation agreements; the Trustees pass resolutions to do the same.

2004

Al Schrader is working on the final JEDD/annexation documents. The Trustees will interview persons interested in the township clerk position, which will be vacant on March 31st, when the current clerk retires. The JEDD and annexation agreements are approved and executed by the Trustees. The Fire District is looking for a new site for relocation. The road garage roof is in dire need of repairs. A new clerk is hired, to be appointed for the April 1st term and serving as assistant until then. The Cuyahoga Communities Council reorganizes with less input from communities affected by the park. There are issues with the finalization of the JEDD/annexation. The JEDD agreement must go to council with petitions or be placed on the November ballot. The Trustees may reconsider the vacation of Barlow Road. The Township Hall neighbor to the north reports drainage and other problems due to the location of the Township Hall. Trustee Anderson continues to try to rectify the situation with the diminished voting rights at the CVCC. The Trustees decide not to put the JEDD issue on the 2004 general election ballot, but to pursue the petition route. The EPA has finally approved the septic for a new fire station at the Boy Scouts, and the Park offers property on Dogwood Lane. Sheriff patrols of the township and communications need to be improved. An environmental study is being made at the possible Dogwood Drive location of the Fire Department. The roof of the fire station needs repairs; the fire department is looking into sharing the cost with the BTHC. The Trustees review cost and service for both the sheriff's department and the Peninsula Police. The 2005 police contract goes to Peninsula. The annexation is completed.

2005

Transition from Sheriff to Peninsula Police protection goes smoothly; officers are introducing themselves to business owners. The old Sheriff's office will be used by the Township Road Department. The Fire District has implemented all Auditor of State requirements, and continues to evaluate properties for a new fire station. ODOT has constructed a salt dome in the Township at I271 and State Route 303 without consulting the Township. The Trustees plan to hold a public meeting in March to discuss JEDD issues. The Zoning Board is reviewing the Zoning Resolution of the Township, which has not been updated for ten years. The Trustees find the new County Engineer less responsive. A CDBG for 2005 is denied; there has been a significant drop in federal funding and the future of the program is in doubt. The Trustees feel BTHC financial records should be audited and ask Pullekens to review the matter with the BTHC chairperson. The Workers' Comp rate is severely curtailing the Fire District budget. The District is undertaking training for personnel in an effort to lower the rate. A roof leak into the Road Superintendent's office takes the BTHC three months to fix. The Trustees want to review the County Engineer's plans for repairs to Kendall Road to avoid aggressive work that will

change the rural character of the road. The Clerk questions the cost of snow removal by the County and requests information on salt use. The BTHC applies for a \$35,000.00 grant from the GAR Foundation to continue renovation work on the Township Hall. Mayor Kaplan suggests the Township and Village investigate ways to consolidate road departments. The Fire District is looking into grants that might be attainable for new digital radio equipment. The use of the Dogwood Lane property for a new fire station remains under investigation. The Clerk continues to investigate the use of the salt invoiced by the County Engineer for the previous plowing period. The EPA is overseeing cleanup of the Parker Tire property. The Township will apply for a CDBG for road work in the residential area off Akron Cleveland Road. The Clerk asks the County Engineer review and explain salt and snow removal costs for the previous season. Final payment to the Engineer is being withheld pending the review. The Trustees request the Health Department spray all Township roads for mosquitoes after learning the NPS has stopped spraying on roads within the Park. The Park continues to disallow spraying on roads within the Park. The Peninsula Police Department is working together with the Fire District to obtain grants for new radios. Remedial action is planned for the Krejci Dump by the EPA. The Zoning Inspector is sending notices to property owners to remove junk vehicles. The issue of the cost of snow removal for the previous year is not resolved. The Engineer's quote for the current year is 3% above the previous year. The Trustees look into handling all snow removal through the Township Road Department. The Clerk finds cell tower inspection fees are not being invoiced or paid and looks into the matter. The Township requests a \$250,000.00 bond against road damage from the company cleaning the Krejci dump site. The proposed relocation of the Fire District to Dogwood Drive is moving through the Federal process. Residents Pat and Gary Amore of Woodland Drive contact the Ohio Turnpike Commission seeking abatement of noise and other damage from the construction of the 3rd turnpike lane over the Cuyahoga River. The cemeteries are closely monitored by the police because of ongoing vandalism. The Fire District receives a FEMA grant for the purchase of new radio equipment and joins a group in order to receive a lower Workers' Comp rating. They also consider filing for a Workers' Comp refund. The proposed JEDD with Cuyahoga Falls will go on the May ballot next year. At the September meeting attended by the Summit County Engineer, the Engineer agreed to meet with the Township Clerk concerning the unpaid salt invoices and salt use the previous winter. The BTHC completes a sidewalk replacement and basement waterproofing project of the Town Hall. At a meeting with the County Engineer's office, the Township Road Superintendent and Clerk, the Engineer's office acknowledged using more salt than recommended by ODOT; salt use was excessive. The Clerk declines to pay the remaining salt invoices from the previous year; the Trustees assume control of ice control for Township roads. Invoices for \$8,420.00 in past due cell tower inspections are sent out; annual revenue for inspections will be about \$3,500.00 The Clerk notes that since the change to the Peninsula Police, fines collected in the Township are up 30% for the year and 40% over the average of the past four years. Sagamore Hills is approached to share costs of maintaining Stanford Road, but declines. The Park Service approves the relocation of the Fire District to Dogwood Lane and asks the Fire District for building plans for review. The Trustees direct the Zoning Commission look into the Township Zoning Resolution, especially the Business Corridor district in regard to the new JEDD. A true champion of the Township and Village, John Lahoski, dies unexpectedly in December. He is remembered by the Trustees as a great man.

2006

Trustee Puchalsky retires and Jerry Ritch is elected to replace him. Trustee Anderson is appointed to the Fire Board of Trustees. The BTHC commences renovation of the basement area and plans on restoring the roof next. The Township prepares to make an employee handbook. A memorial to John Lahoski on the Township grounds is proposed. The Trustees recognize 25 years service by Ed Pullekens, legal counsel to the Township. Summit County Council approves the Boston Township/Cuyahoga Falls JEDD agreement. The agreement will be on the May ballot, together with a 7 mill police levy. The Township is awarded a \$15,000.00 CDBG for a chip and seal project of the residential roads off Akron Cleveland Road. The Township looks into removing unnecessary street lights. Ohio Edison can remove them, but not turn them off. The oldest resident of the Township, Nina Stanford, passes away in March. The Fire Board clerk resigns to take an out of country job. Valley Fire District hopes to be relocated to Dogwood Lane by September. The salt shed needs repairs. The Township purchases a new truck with a stainless steel bed that can be transferred to future trucks. The Trustees consider leasing the fire department space when it is vacated. Joanne Noragon is appointed Fire District Clerk. The JEDD and the police levy are passed on the May ballot. While mapping Township outfalls the Road Superintendent finds and reports six septic system violations, including Mid-Way Trailer Court and the Don-El Motel. The roof over the fire station needs extensive repairs. The Clerk reports the discussed vacation of Stanford Road will result in loss of Gas Tax revenue. A meeting is set with the BTHC and the Fire Board to discuss repairs to the Fire Station roof. It is learned the Boston Heights cemetery has never been deeded to Boston Heights, but remains deeded to the Township. The BTHC did not obtain permits for the basement reconstruction work, and Summit County Building Standards issues a citation and stops work. The Fire District is obtaining quotes for repairs to the Fire Department roof, as they guaranteed at a special meeting. Candidates for appointments to various JEDD boards are sought. The JEDD board sets October 1st for the collection of income taxes. The fire department moves to the Dogwood Lane location in September. The township road department will move into the vacated fire garage and township offices will move to the vacated road garage area. The township adopts an employee handbook.

2007

The Zoning Commission undertakes a review of the JEDD district, hoping to revise the zoning resolution to attract the highest and best use in the district. The Hall Committee's basement renovations remain on hold pending a proper building department certificate. The Trustees discuss renovation of the old road garage for office use. All Township and Cuyahoga Falls officials are appointed to the JEDD board. There is discussion of a sewer tie in for the Don El Motel and Midway trailer court. There is discussion of the problems caused by organized events in the township. Wes Bergdorf, Zoning Clerk and Secretary, steps aside for a younger person after many years of service and contribution of expertise to both zoning boards. Summit County's plans for a Seasons Road interchange and a pumping station are finalized. In spite of boundary disputes between the County and Cuyahoga Falls the trustees remain hopeful of extending the sewer line to the Don El Motel and Midway. The Trustees recognize the winning Woodridge Cross Country team with signage. The Township engages a zoning consultant to help update the zoning resolution. The Township addresses problems at the site of All Ohio Landscaping; East Barlow Road truck parking by All Ohio is banned and the road is barricaded because the company has undercut the road. Neighborhood noise issues from the turnpike are

addressed by Council Representative Nick Kostandaras. Boston Union Cemetery must find additional funding. Mr. Kostandaras also reports a temporary sewer line to the motel and trailer park can commence in May. Five businesses on the east side of Akron Cleveland Road are notified by Summit Soil and Water District that must remediate wetlands they have encroached upon or covered. The Hall Committee basement renovation project is stalled pending upgrades to the building and an appeal to the Summit County Building Department. The Cemetery can be funded by a joint Village/Township levy or by each community surrendering a portion of their remaining inside millage. With an upgraded fire alarm system and upgraded doors the BTHC basement project is approved. It is determined an Akron Cleveland Road sewer line will cost \$100/foot, or one million dollars. The Township adopts the Adopt-A-Highway program. All Ohio asks the county to vacate Barlow Road. The Township continues pressing All Ohio to meet zoning requirements. Junk vehicles on property is addressed by the Zoning Inspector. The cost of a temporary sewer connection for Don El and Midway is estimated to be \$70,000.00. The Fiscal Officer reports little cooperation from the Cuyahoga Falls tax administrator in implementing JEDD business taxation. Both the Township and Village surrender a total of one additional mill to the Boston Union Cemetery. The Township establishes a certified records retention schedule and begins clearing out non township related records. Representative Kostandaras will contact ODOT to facilitate installation of No Jake Brake signs on interstates 80 and 271 to ease noise affecting township residents. The temporary sewer plan is abandoned. A pumping station will be built on Seasons Road in 2008, with a line to the Stow boundary. Citations and warnings are issued for the many violations on Akron Cleveland Road properties.

2008

The zoning inspectors work with All Ohio to provide adequate zoning information. The Trustees discuss ongoing maintenance of Stanford Road. Boston Heights officials meet with Valley Fire District Trustees to explore sharing or combining services. The Township has a Park Service grant to remove streetlights at Park properties. A tenant of one park property objects to the removal of his street light; the Trustees agree to let it remain while the property is occupied. The Trustees receive a preliminary plan for renovation of the road garage to township offices. All Ohio receives and violates a stop work order. Valley Fire takes delivery of a new squad. The road department mixes grits with salt to stretch the salt supply through a long winter and salt shortage. Trustees Anderson is appointed a member of the Cuyahoga Communities Council, assured it will address the problems of Peninsula and Boston, the communities most severely affected by the Park. The Township implements an organized event policy, requiring groups using Township roads for their events to register with the Township, submit a route map, provide proof of insurance with the Township named additional insured, notify Peninsula Police and Valley Fire, and obtain a permit. The BTHC obtains permits for constructing a basement office. Valley Fire District implements soft billing of residents. The Township Trustees discuss reducing Stanford Road maintenance past 5853, the last residence. Peninsula Council passes an ordinance regulating organized events. The BZA allows All Ohio to operate a retail sales office but denies light industrial composting operations. Suncrest Gardens must submit a current site plan. The Seasons Road pump station is bid. The Road Department proposes purchase of a small pick up truck to alleviate wear and tear on the big dump trucks. All Ohio remains in violation of its zoning certificate. Similar use concerns are being raised at Pro Tree. The Trustees consider having a web site. A drainage problem remains at Suncrest, as well as lack of

a new site plan. The Pro Tree zoning application is incomplete. Trustee Anderson reports the Communities Council does not grasp the scope of the economic impact of the Park on the Village and the Township. The Seasons Road pump station is the number one rated project in Summit County. A JEDZ area between Stow, Hudson and Cuyahoga Falls is proposed. Cuyahoga Falls will contribute its Boston Township JEDD area. All Ohio is monitored for compliance with court ordered operations. A Prosecutor's Opinion confirms the legality of the Township requiring permits for organized events. A trucking company begins storing equipment on a property abutting a residential property on Akron Cleveland Road. The Township's representative to Summit County Council promises to organize a petition drive to abate Turnpike noise. Suncrest Gardens has not abated the drainage issue or provided site plans. The Zoning Commission commences review of the Zoning Resolution. The Valley Fire District had resigned over unresolved audit issues between the District and the Firefighters' Association, but withdrew the resignation on resolution of the issues. Summit County Building Standards agrees to cease issuing building permits without a Township zoning permit. The property owner of the site with trailers is cited. The Township applies for a FEMA grant to offset clean up costs of a summer windstorm. All Ohio continues in violation of Court operating orders. The salt barn and storage shed are re-roofed. Unauthorized grading at Boston Car that caused a drainage problem is addressed by a neighbor's civil suit. The Township Trustees continue to hear the Village is interested in shared road work, but no proposals are received from the Village. The drainage problem remains at Suncrest Gardens. Remedial action is requested of Bob Pruitt, owner of the trailers stored at the Brown property. No site plan has been submitted by Suncrest Gardens. The Township receives a FEMA grant for wind damage clean up costs. The Seasons Road interchange, the pumping station and a sewer line to the JEDD boundary at Wyoga Lake and Akron Cleveland Road are confirmed. The Park Service requests an endorsement for a sewer system in the Everett Historical District.

2009

In a meeting with the Park Superintendent the Trustees discuss the proposed sewer district and the need for Park cooperation in regulating organized events within the Township. Suncrest Gardens has not responded to the 2007 and 2008 requests for drainage remediation or current site plans. Mr. Pruitt agrees to clean up the Brown property. The Road Superintendent reports multiple junk vehicles along Akron Cleveland Road. The zoning inspector agrees to make this his next project. The BTHC has a tenant for the newly renovated basement office. The Township purchases a small truck. The Cuyahoga Valley Park Association makes a donation to Valley Fire to assist in purchasing a SKID unit. The Township begins construction of a web site. Summit County Council representative Nick Kostandaras will meet with the Ohio Turnpike Commission concerning noise abatement. Work on the Township offices commences. The Park Service begins the sewer system without notifying the Township. Violations continue at All Ohio. Pro Tree is operating a grinder in violation of zoning. Junk car violation notices are drafted. The drainage problem at Suncrest remains uncorrected. The Township authorizes legal action to obtain compliance. Suncrest corrects the problem, although the neighbor remains unhappy with the work. Pro Tree and All Ohio continue operating in violation of zoning. The economic crisis threatens library operations. The Township establishes a Records Commission, documents its records and begins disposal of obsolete records. Records of historical interest are retained, even if they are authorized for disposal. Two Morris Drive residents win a suit against

the Ohio Turnpike Commission for failure to abate noise. The Court continues to uphold the BZA concerning All Ohio. Junk vehicle owners are issued a second notice. Tires are now being stored on the Brown property. The need to stripe the parking lot is acknowledged. The majority of the stimulus money coming to the County is directed to the Park's sewer system, not County projects. The BiCentennial Committee works on planning an event for the Township's 2011 BiCentennial. The Township Fiscal Officer realizes discretionary Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) from the Department of the Interior to Summit County are intended to benefit communities directly impacted by the Federal Park, but are being retained in the County General Fund. Parking lot striping will be done by the Township Road Department. Wetland issues along Akron Cleveland Road are addressed through Summit Soil and Water District and the Army Corps of Engineers. The All Ohio issue is complicated by a sister company, Bencin Material Hauling also using the property without zoning permits. The Trustees attend JEDZ meetings, but cannot obtain a Master Plan for review. The Trustees try to arrange a meeting with Summit County concerning PILT; it is repeatedly postponed. The meeting is held in late November and attended by many interested citizens. Summit County representatives say they cannot speak for the approximately 1.5 million dollars the County has received in the past, but in future they will redistribute the current revenue to County entities that lost property to the Park, proportioned according to acreage lost. The Trustees agree to transfer their 2009 receipt to Valley Fire District, whose loss of tax revenue is not acknowledged by Summit County. The Seasons Road sewer line will now terminate at the Stow/Cuyahoga Falls boundary. The Don El Motel and Midway Trailer Court are given one additional year by the Health District to resolve their sewer problems through weekly pumping.