

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio

August 15, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Sycamore Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were President Weidman, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Connor, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Zoning/Planning Director/Assistant Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, and Parks/Recreation Director McKeown. Assistant Chief Rob Penny and Sgt. Enderle from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office were present sitting in for Chief Gerome and Lt. Butler. Administrator Raabe, Fire Chief Gerome and Lt. Butler were excused.

The invocation was given by Trustee Connor from Rossmoyne Free Pentecostal Church of God.

Pledge to the Flag.

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings held July 30 and August 1, 2013, and the minutes of the Public Hearing and Special Trustees meeting held August 5, 2013 were read. A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to approve these minutes. Vote: All Aye.

Assistant Chief Penny reported on the sale of the rescue truck.

Mr. McKeown reported on the start of soccer season at Schuler Park.

Mr. Kellums reported on the completion of the 2013 Road Improvement Program. Mr. Kellums stated that the Kenwood Road project is progressing nicely and that the east side is almost completed.

Mr. Miller reported that the property purchase contract with St. Vincent has been sent to their legal counsel and would be reviewed by the church's committee on August 28, 2013. Mr. Miller stated that the Festive Court matter had been resolved.

Mr. Miller reported that Administrator Raabe's absence is a matter of difference in opinion in the direction of the Township between the Board and Mr. Raabe. Mr. Miller said he has spoken with Mr. Raabe who agrees that a separation is in order. As is typical in a matter of separation, Mr. Miller has had discussions with Mr. Raabe about a compensation package.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to authorize President Weidman to negotiate a separation agreement with Mr. Raabe.

Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Bickford stated that the Hamilton County Engineer had requested permission to set a GPS benchmark, a brass disc set in concrete about eight inches in diameter set flush with the ground, on Township property. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor to allow the GPS Benchmark to be installed on Township Property. Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Bickford also reported that construction on the new hotel by Rolling Hills Hospitality could begin before the end of the year pending transfer of land from Neyer Properties to Rolling Hills Hospitality.

Mr. Bickford reported that ODOT and Hamilton County are working together to replace the traffic controllers in Kenwood. The Township will continue its program to monitor traffic in Kenwood during the holidays.

Mr. Miller presented the following resolutions for approval:

The resolution "Approving a Change Order to a Contract for the Kenwood Road Utility and Road Improvements Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2013-137 passed this 15th day of August, 2013.

The resolution "Approving a Change Order to a Contract for the Kenwood Road Utility and Road Improvements Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2013-138 passed this 15th day of August, 2013.

The resolution "Approving a Change Order to a Contract for the Kenwood Road Utility and Road Improvements Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2013-139 passed this 15th day of August, 2013.

The Receipts and Disbursements of August 15, 2013 were read by the Fiscal Officer and are hereby made a part of these Minutes.

Receipts: \$542,763.49 / Disbursements: \$800,629.98

I hereby certify that the money for payment of these bills is in the fund provided and duly and properly appropriated.

Signed: _____
Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to accept them.
Vote: All Aye.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn the meeting to executive session at 7:14 p.m. for the purpose of Personnel Compensation.

Vote: Connor: Aye Bishop: Aye Weidman: Aye

The regular meeting reconvened after the executive session adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

The resolution “Amending Rates of Pay for Township Employees” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye

Resolution No. 2013-140 passed this 15th day of August, 2013.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer
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