

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### Minutes of the Public Hearing of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio

October 3, 2013

The public hearing for Zoning Case 2013-05MA, the proposed LoanMax at 7711 Montgomery Road, was held at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Bickford presented the case and noted that the Zoning Commission recommended denial with a four-zero vote.

There was no applicant or applicant's representative in attendance.

Mr. Weidman opened the floor for public comment.

Logan Smith, Garden Road, spoke against the project.  
Pauline Barthel, Winnetka Drive, spoke against the project.  
Samantha Smith, Garden Road, spoke against the project.  
Patty Kreitingner, St. Regis Drive, spoke against the project

Mr. Weidman closed the floor to public comment.

The public hearing ended at 6:40 p.m.

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The public hearing for Zoning Case 2013-06MA, the Premier Laser Spa at 7865 Kenwood Road, was held at 6:45 p.m. Mr. Bickford presented the case and noted that Zoning Commission recommended denial, three to zero. Mr. Weidman asked the reason for only 3 members voting. Mr. Bickford stated that Mr. Mees had to abstain from the case.

There was no applicant or applicant's representative in attendance.

Mr. Weidman opened the floor for public comment.

There were no comments

Mr. Weidman closed the floor to public comment.

The public hearing ended at 6:50 p.m.

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

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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, Fire Chief Gerome, Superintendant Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown and Lt. Kettelman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

The invocation from First Apostolic Church was read by Trustee Connor.

Pledge to the Flag.

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings held September 17 and 18, 2013 were read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these minutes. Vote: All Aye.

Resident Al Early (no address given) stated that he received a threatening letter in February of 2012 after addressing the Trustees about the fire department and since then has taken an interest in the Township's affairs. He then presented a letter to the Law Director.

Resident Sue Palermo, 5388 Elmcrest Drive, stated that last Halloween two teenagers damaged mailboxes and pumpkins with bats and as a result Lt. Reid from the Sheriff's office became involved. At the time, they did not report that there were several "adults" trick or treating who did not have children with them and they were not residents of the neighborhood. Mrs. Palermo asked for suggestions on how to best discourage this and suggested that a statement be put out from the Sheriff or Township that Halloween is for children.

Lt. Kettelman stated that the Sheriff's office will have extra patrols in the neighborhood on Halloween.

Mr. Connor asked what residents should do if there are "adults" or a group trick or treating.

Lt. Kettelman stated that residents can call the District Three non-emergency number for an officer to investigate.

Lt. Kettelman reported that the Sheriff's office is participating with the DEA for a drug take back program on October 26, 2013 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the District Three offices on Weekly Lane.

Chief Gerome reported that the Fire Department received a grant from UASI (Urban Area Security Initiative) for six skid rescue stretchers that have a total value of approximately \$1,960.

Mr. McKeown reported that the batting cage location discussed at the workshop is not suitable since the Township does not own that property. Other areas are being investigated.

Mr. Kellums reported that Kenwood Road construction is continuing on schedule and should be finished at the end of the month if all goes well.

Mr. Kellums reported that Sycamore Township participated in the annual Hamilton County Snow Plow Rodeo and Mark Homan and Jason Sieler placed in the top five out of over 40 participants.

Mr. Kellums reported that the Hamilton County Solid Waste District reported that Sycamore Township had a 13.37% residential recycle rate for the first period of 2013 and as a result, the Township will receive a check for \$9,328.

Mr. Bishop directed Mr. Bickford to put a congratulatory letter together for the rodeo participants.

Mr. Miller reported that he received an email from the owner of the Drake Motel asking if the Trustees or Administrator would be willing to meet with him to work out the matter. Mr. Miller stated that unless he hears otherwise he will tell them that it's not the Township's issue and we will not be meeting.

Mr. Bickford reported that we are working with Duke Energy on the Galbraith Road undergrounding of utilities and will report back when there is more information to share. The slip lane will move forward as planned.

Mr. Bickford stated that there will be a meeting with the consultants and Duke Energy on the undergrounding of utilities on Montgomery and Hosbrook Roads as a precursor to the Hosbrook Road widening project.

Mr. Bickford reported that the Township is looking to expand the use of the current accounting software to a paperless PO system which will allow for greater efficiency and more timely budget reporting.

Mr. Weidman agreed that we need to maximize our use of technology.

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Roy Tailors Uniform Co., Inc.      Uniforms      \$5,000.00

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve this request.

Vote: All Aye

Citywide Ready-Mix Concrete      Concrete      \$5,000.00

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve this request.

Vote: All Aye

Donald R. Frey & Co.      Requisition Control and Two Users      \$7,307.00

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve this request.

Vote: All Aye

Mr. Bickford reported that the two zoning cases were up for discussion tonight and that in both cases the applicants did not appear.

Mr. Bickford reported that Coopers Hawk is on schedule for a November, 2013 opening.

Mr. Porter read a communication from Brenda Herring of the Kenwood Bible Methodist Church thanking the Fire Department for coming to their block party and bringing a fire truck.

Mr. Porter read a communication from Deer Park Cub Scout Pack 791 thanking the fire department for bringing fire trucks to their opening Cub Scout meeting at Trinity Church.

New Business:

Zoning Case 2013-05MA

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to direct the Law Director to prepare a resolution to remain in line with the Zoning Commission recommendation to deny Case 2013-05MA. All voted yes.

Zoning Case 2013-06MA

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to direct the Law Director to prepare a resolution to remain in line with the Zoning Commission recommendation to deny Case 2013-06MA. All voted yes.

A Resolution “Authorizing a Contract for the Purchase of an Ambulance from the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program” 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. 2013-155 passed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2013.

A Resolution “Authorizing a Contract for Asphalt Sealing at Bechtold Park” 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. 2013-156 passed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2013.

A Resolution “Authorizing a Contract for Remodeling of the Kitchen in the South Fire Station” 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. 2013-157 passed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2013.

A Resolution “Authorizing a Contract for Repair of the Kitchen Floor in the South Fire Station” 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. 2013-158 passed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2013.

Mr. Weidman read the schedule of events.

The Receipts and Disbursements of October 3, 2013 were read by the Fiscal Officer and are hereby made a part of these Minutes.

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.

Mr. Miller stated that the November 5, 2013 Workshop is on election day. Mr. Weidman suggested that the Workshop meeting be moved to Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 9am.

Mr. Weidman stated that a request for executive session for the purposes of pending litigation was requested. Mr. Porter called the roll to adjourn the meeting to executive session at 7:23p.m.

Vote: Connor: Aye Bishop: Aye Weidman: Aye

The regular meeting reconvened after the executive session adjourned.

Mr. Connor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bishop to end executive session and go back into regular session at 7:40p.m. Vote: All Aye.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn the meeting.  
Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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