

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio October 4, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present for the meeting were, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Connor, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Raabe, EMS/Fire Director Jetter, Planning/Zoning Administrator/Assistant Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, and Sheriff Liaison Lt. Reid. President Weidman was excused.

Indoor Recycling at Schuler Hall - Trustee Bishop would like indoor recycling containers for plastic and cans to be installed in the Community Meeting Room at Schuler Park. Mr. Kellums will handle the request.

A resolution "Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission & Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-90 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

A resolution "Authorizing a Rental of the Real Property Located at 4713 Orchard Lane in Sycamore Township" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-91 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

Sheriff Patrol Update - Lt. Reid stated that a Safety Fair was being held today at Kenwood Towne Centre from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and again from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Lt. Reid also informed the Board that the Driving Angels Program for teenage drivers will start December 10th.

Fire/EMS Invoices and Purchase Request - There were no questions from the Board concerning Invoices and Purchase Requests. Chief Jetter advised the Board that Rumpke was repairing hydraulic cylinders at a much cheaper cost (\$372) and allowing for a savings of over \$500 as opposed to sending it out to another vendor.

Trustee Connor commended both the Fire and Sheriff Departments on the excellent job they did with the Kenwood Towne Centre disaster drill.

Nuisance Properties - Mr. Bickford presented nuisance properties for consideration: 5394 Autumnwood Drive, 4601 Kugler Mill Road, 12186 4th Avenue, 6949 East Kemper Road, and 8475 St. Clair Avenue.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 5394 Autumnwood Drive, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45242” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-92 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 4601 Kugler Mill Road, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-93 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12186 4th Avenue, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45249” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-94 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 6949 East Kemper Road, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45242” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-95 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8475 St. Clair Avenue, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-96 passed this 4th day of October, 2011.

Mr. Bickford also informed the Board that Mr. Jim Donnelly is retiring as a member of the BZA after many years of service and will be replaced by alternate Mr. Jim LaBarbara. An additional replacement member will need to be appointed by the Board in the near future.

Upcoming Public Hearings - Mr. Bickford stated that there would be a 5:00 p.m. public hearing on Thursday, October 6, 2011 for the KAP Signs (2011-12MA) for Jared Jewelers, requesting an exception of 37.3 feet in excess of the existing 100 square feet currently allowed. They opted for the current two signs versus the original three allowed and now want to increase once again. The Zoning Commission recommended denial unanimously.

A public hearing will also be held at 5:20 p.m. on October 6, 2011 for the Internet Sweepstakes Cafe ban - Mr. Bickford declared that current zoning regulations will not permit this use per code.

Parks and Recreation Update - Mr. McKeown stated that the 5K Run would be held on Saturday, October 29th at 9:00 a.m. in Bechtold Park and that the Halloween celebration in the Township will be on Monday, October 31st from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Bickford informed the Board that Bechtold Park would be getting new security cameras starting next week and crews would be digging trenches to install the wiring.

Record Commission Meeting – October 18, following Workshop - Mr. Raabe informed the Board that the annual Record Commission Meeting will be held on October 18th, following the Workshop meeting, and would require the presence of Board President/Trustee Weidman and Fiscal Officer Porter.

Mr. Raabe notified the Board that he had recently completed the requirements to become a Certified Park and Recreation Professional - and that Mr. McKeown would be attempting to do the same in the near future. He also informed the Board that Horan was presently soliciting bids for the 2012 health insurance premium cost. Along with a reminder that the Thursday Meeting time had been changed to 5:30 p.m., Mr. Raabe finished up with thanking the local Suburban Press reporter (Amanda Hopkins) for her service as she moves on to a new position.

Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00 – There were no purchase orders over \$2,500.00.

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Attorney Miller informed the Board that he will not be present at the next Workshop Meeting and that Mr. Rob Butler will attend for him. He also stated that the Township had finally closed on the S.D.I. purchase and that the Orchard/Pancero closing will occur tomorrow. An agreement had also been drafted up with the tenant on a basis of \$675 per month with tenant paying all utilities.

Schedule – Mr. Raabe presented the schedule of events.

Executive Session –A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn to executive session to discuss property purchase.

Vote: Weidman: Absent; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

The Board ended this portion of the session at 9:26 a.m. and took a short break.

The Board entered into executive session at 9:34 a.m.

The executive session adjourned at 9:48 a.m. and there was no further action to be taken.

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

Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Bruce Raabe, Administrator