

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio February 14, 2012

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

**Fire/EMS Invoices and Purchase Request** – Chief Jetter presented the Fire and EMS purchase orders and invoices, they were approved as presented. He reported that he received a call from FEMA on the Safer Grant letting him know that it could be used for backfilling part-time firefighters for two years. Chief Jetter stated that he will apply for this grant.

**Nuisance Property - 4753 Sycamore Road** – Mr. Bickford presented 4753 Sycamore Road as a nuisance property.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Removal of Trash and Debris, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 4753 Sycamore Road, Sycamore Township, OH, 45236” 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. 2012-08 passed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2012.

**Upcoming Public Hearings** – Mr. Bickford advised the Board that the 2012 OMA meeting was held last night and twelve residents attended. The following public hearing will be held on March 1, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. (T.B.D.): Jewish Hospital – PUD modification for 150 parking spaces, five homes to be demolished for 20' buffer for streetscape. Zoning Commission voted four to one to approve; subject to closing Happiness curb cuts (2) or close bank exits. Mr. Bickford recommends not allowing a fence.

**Parks and Recreation Update** – Mr. McKeown announced the dates for park events: Twilight Concerts-June 23 at McDaniel Park and June 30 at Bechtold Park; Festival in Sycamore at Bechtold Park-July 13 and 14 with the *THE RUSTY GRISWOLDS* performing on Friday night and *THE GUESS WHO* on Saturday night; the Car Show and Summer Bash will be held on August 11 at Schuler Park.

**Wexford Avenue Storm Sewer Repair** – Mr. Kellums reported that they are still working on putting up cameras at Bechtold Park but it is going well. He advised the Trustees that the storm sewer on Wexford partially collapsed involving a 36" pipe that drains to the creek and six broken

pieces of tile. He said that he got three proposals; the cheapest being from Prus Construction at \$48,675 which would be added on to the 2011 Road Improvement Project. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to accept Prus Constructions proposal to repair the storm sewer, seconded by Mr. Connor. Vote: All Aye.

**Schuler Park Lawn Care** - This item was tabled.

**Glenellyn, Grinnell Improvements** – This item was tabled.

Mr. Kellums advised the Trustees that the TEC proposal for Kenwood Underground Utilities was \$6,000. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to accept this proposal.  
Vote: All Aye.

**Sheriff Patrol Update** – Lt. Butler presented the monthly report on crime statistics. The Board requested that he continue to update them monthly.

**Request for Proposal Deadline Extension** – A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to extend the deadline for the RFP for Fire and EMS Services to March 21, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. Vote: All Aye.

**Update/Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00** – Mr. Raabe presented the following purchase orders:

Bastin & Company, LLC	Audit Services	\$6,696.00
Center for Local Government	2012 Dues	\$3,825.00

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to approve these purchase orders, seconded by Mr. Connor.  
Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Raabe asked the Trustees who is planning to attend the Hamilton County Engineer's annual dinner. He also advised about re-appointing Cliff Bishop and himself to the Integrating Committee as alternates. Mr. Raabe will check with Fred Schlimm to see if the Township Association is actually supposed to do this.

**Schedule** – Mr. Raabe presented the schedule.

Executive Session –A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn to executive session to discuss imminent litigation and personnel-compensation.

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

The Board entered into executive session at 9:43 a.m.

The executive session adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

A motion to make the Fire Department budget \$3.3 million was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor. 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 10:17 a.m.

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Thomas J. Weidman, President

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Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

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Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

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Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

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Bruce A. Raabe, Administrator

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