

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

June 5, 2014

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bishop.

The invocation from Second Baptist Church of Rossmoyne was read by Trustee Connor.

Pledge to the Flag.

Present for the meeting were President Bishop, Vice President Connor, Trustee Weidman, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Bickford, Parks /Recreation Director McKeown, Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Superintendent Kellums was excused.

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings held May 13 and 15, 2014 were read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these minutes.

Vote: All Aye.

Brent Uckotter was sworn in as a full time firefighter by President Bishop.

Lt. Ketteman stated that the Township Summer 2014 newsletter includes helpful tips for residents in dealing with door-to-door solicitation.

Chief Penny thanked the Trustees for hiring Brent Uckotter as a full time firefighter. He reported that the Fire Department had 17 runs that day. Chief Penny also requested approval from the Trustees to request a purchase order for radio equipment for the new squad in the amount of \$11,674.33. Mr. Weidman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve Chief Penny's request. Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Bickford reported that the Township is the recipient of three grants, one for Sycamore Road in the amount of \$5 million, for Fiber Optics in the amount of \$1 million and for the Montgomery Road sidewalk in the amount of \$600,000.

Mr. Bickford also brought up a couple possible sidewalk projects. He said on Cornell Road there is a gap between where the City of Montgomery's sidewalk ends and the Township's begins. He asked if the Trustees would like to investigate the cost to put in about 20 feet of sidewalk to go across the bridge and close the gap. The money would come out of the Cornell TIF. The Trustees directed Mr. Bickford to explore the cost of this project.

The second possible sidewalk project to consider would be the addition of a sidewalk along Montgomery Road in front of Arby's and Party City/Pier 1 Imports near the intersection of Hosbrook Road. It would still be impossible to walk from there to the Kenwood Towne Centre because of the I-71 ramp. The Trustees decided there would be no point in adding the sidewalk because of the location of the ramp.

Mr. Bickford presented a proposal from Brandstetter/Carroll in response to the Township's RFQ for Hosbrook Road Construction Administration and Inspection. Mr. Connor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to direct Mr. Miller to prepare a contract. Vote: All Aye.

Mr. McKeown reported that The Alleen Company would be supplying the tents for the Festival. He said that the electrician would be taking care of the permits through IBI. He said the Parks and Recreation Committee will not meet in June and the July meeting would be moved up from July 14th to July 7th because of the Festival. Mr. McKeown said the Hamilton County Sheriff's Explorers were ready to go for the Festival.

Mr. Miller stated that the Service Agreement for the TriHealth TIF was ready for the Trustees' approval.

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Strawser Construction	Blackmat Resurfacing Project	\$295,596.00
Performance Asphalt Paving, Inc.	Pavement Sealing	\$6,395.00
Mobilcom	Squad Radio Equipment	\$11,674.33

Mr. Weidman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these requests.
Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Bickford reported that the Northwest JEDZ accounts were on schedule and there has been a high level of cooperation from businesses.

Mr. Bickford also reported that the Township will soon be able to accept credit cards for such things as shelter rentals and zoning/fire fees. He stated that the Township would be offering optional wellness screenings for Township employees paid for by the Wellness Grant from the Ohio BWC.

Mr. Bickford said that the Zoning Compliance Plan is in the process of being completed and is close to approval for the Northcreek construction project.

Mr. Porter read a communication from Doris Case, of Sandymar Drive, thanking the Trustees for the Shredding Program and the South Trash Bash. She said that all of the workers were polite and helpful.

Mr. Porter read a communication from Joe Hunter, of Trebor Drive, who wanted to give kudos to the officer who handled a very difficult situation on Trebor Drive perfectly. He said the officer represented Sycamore Township in an extremely professional manner.

The resolution "Authorizing a Contract for Pavement Sealing" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2014-65 approved this 5th day of June, 2014.

The resolution "Authorizing a Contract for the 2014 Road Blackmat Resurfacing Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2014-66 approved this 5th day of June, 2014.

The resolution “Approving a Proposal for Street Sweeping Services for Township Roads and Streets” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2014-67 approved this 5th day of June, 2014.

The resolution “Establishing the Rate of Pay for a New Township Employee” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2014-68 approved this 5th day of June, 2014.

The resolution “Approving and Authorizing a Service Agreement with Scott Street Partners II, LLC” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2014-69 approved this 5th day of June, 2014.

The Receipts and Disbursements of June 5, 2014 were available in the Fiscal Officer’s Office 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. Weidman, to accept them.
Vote: All Aye.

A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Cliff W. Bishop, President

Dennis W. Connor, Vice President

Thomas J. Weidman, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer
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