

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

October 2, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Present for the meeting were Vice President Bishop, Trustee Kent, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Molloy, EMS/Fire Director Jetter, Planning/Zoning Administrator/Assistant Township Administrator Bickford, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, and Sheriff's Liaison Cpl. Fritz. President Weidman and Superintendent Kellums were excused.

Safe House – Chief Jetter requested the Trustees approval to sell the safe house as it is no longer used for school safety programs. The Trustees approved this request.

Pre Pay Proposal on New Pumper Bid Awarded – Chief Jetter advised the Trustees the 3% pre-payment on the new pumper has been increased to 6%. The Trustees directed the Chief to verify the revised cost for their consideration.

Fire Invoices / Purchase Requests – The Board of Trustees approved the Fire Department invoices and purchase requests.

Park & Recreation Update – The Trustees requested that Mike McKeown contact Mark Ossege, Dillonvale IGA, to learn of this years holiday plans. There was also a discussion of the Bechtold Park Shelter Project.

Sheriff's Patrol Update – Cpl. Fritz updated the Trustees on recent burglaries in the Township and advised that detectives are actively working on these cases.

Window Sign Regulations – Mr. Bickford requested that this item be tabled until the next Workshop meeting.

Nuisance Properties – Mr. Bickford presented two nuisance properties: 4015 Larchview Drive and 11956 Third Avenue.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 4015 Larchview Drive” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2008-86 passed this 2nd day of October 2008.

A resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 11956 Third Avenue” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2008-87 passed this 2nd day of October 2008.

Renewable Energy Consultant – Mr. Bickford presented a request from Mr. Weidman to utilize the services of the Melink Corporation to provide assistance with renewable energy and “Green” alternatives for the North Fire Station and Deerfield Road Park. A motion was made by Mr. Kent to approve this request, seconded by Mr. Bishop.
Vote: All Aye.

Capital Improvement Funding – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees of a possible funding mechanism for Capital Improvement Projects including the Sturbridge Subdivision Reconstruction, Deerfield Road Park, and the North Fire Station. The Township is awaiting confirmation of TIF use on the Fire Station Project from Peck-Shaffer.

Upcoming Public Hearings – Mr. Bickford informed the Trustees of the public hearings scheduled for October 2, 2008 at 6:00 pm. They include a zone change request from Jewish Hospital and Tranter Investments, 7772 Montgomery Road.

Plainfield Road Development – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees on a zone change request for a new Target store on Plainfield Road in the City of Blue Ash. The Trustees approved a request from Mr. Bickford to write a letter in support of the Regional Planning appointment of Todd Kinskey.

Deerfield Road Park – Mr. Molloy presented the following information for the Deerfield Road Park: It has been determined that the original proposal for the fuel depot does not meet Fire Marshall regulations due to set back requirements. A new proposal at \$24,385.00 requires a fifteen foot set back and works with the engineering plan. The sanitary sewer has been approved by MSD and is awaiting approval by OEPA. The preferred option, back-filling the trench with controlled density fill, is \$97,943.14. A portion of this cost will be reimbursed by MSD.

The following change orders were also presented for consideration:

G/C Contracting	Water service drain pit as required by GCWW	\$2,296.00
G/C Contracting	32 feet drain line at the pavilion	\$6,247.00
Smith and Brown	12 inch culvert pipe under service road	\$2,960.00
Smith and Brown	Sanitary sewer system	\$97,943.14
CDWG	new APC battery backup	\$1,255.00
Dell	New Email Server	\$6,356.56
Dell	New Tape Backup Drive + 10 Tapes	\$2,816.87
Office Depot	New Wireless Access Point	\$ 150.00
Batteries Plus	New Batteries for UPS	\$ 470.00
Office Depot	New 5 port Hubs	\$ 50.00

All items were approved by the Board of Trustees.

Salt Purchases – Mr. Molloy discussed salt purchasing opportunities which have presented themselves recently. Mr. Kellums has earmarked 500 tons from Delhi Township at \$136.40 per ton and the City of Cincinnati has offered 1,500 tons at \$124.57 a ton through their contract. The Board of Trustees approved these purchases.

Kenwood Wall Project – Mr. Molloy requested that this item be tabled until the next workshop meeting.

Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00 – Mr. Molloy presented the following purchase orders for consideration:

Delhi Township	Road Salt	\$ 68,200.00
Morton International	Road Salt	\$186,855.00
A&A Safety	Pavement Striping	\$ 12,066.00

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

Schedule – Mr. Molloy presented the upcoming schedule of events.

Mr. Porter presented 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. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2008-88 passed this 2nd day of October 2008.

A motion was made by Mr. Kent to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Bishop. Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Richard C. Kent, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Rob Molloy, Administrator