

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting
Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio
August 5, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present for the meeting were President Bishop, Vice President Connor, Trustee Weidman, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman reported that the statistics will be available later this week. Lt Ketteman also advised the Board that the pursuit last night on Kenwood Road was from the City of Madeira.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that former Trustee Denny McKeown is grateful to the Township for its well wishes.

Mr. McKeown stated that the car show went well despite the weather and that the president of the car club was pleased with the event.

Mr. McKeown advised the Board that the playground equipment at McDaniel Park needs to be replaced in the coming years.

Girls fast pitch softball will be played at McDaniel Park this year.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny reported that the fire hydrant located on the Northcreek property has been repaired and is usable during the construction of the new building.

Chief Penny stated that the new squad needs to have the radios installed before it will be out on the road. The distributor sent the wrong model to the manufacturer.

Administration Building Steps

Mr. Kellums requested approval to repair the steps leading to the Administration building at a cost of \$12,900. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution. All voted: Yes.

Dartmoor Court

Mr. Kellums requested approval to repair a collapsed storm sewer lateral in the right-of-way on Dartmoor Court in the amount of \$7,790. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution. All voted: Yes.

Kenwood Access Road

Mr. Kellums reported that the lowest and best bid for the project was for \$363,398.80 from Barrett Paving. The project will take approximately 120 days and begin on September 1, 2014. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution. All voted: Yes.

2014 Road Salt

Mr. Kellums reported that the City of Cincinnati road salt bids for 2014 were \$78.81 per ton from Morton Salt and \$75.86 per ton from North American Salt.

The County Engineers' salt bids came in at \$103 per ton from North American Salt and \$113 per ton from Morton Salt.

Mr. Kellums recommended going with the City of Cincinnati bid from North American Salt at 75.86 per ton for 2,000 tons.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution for bid from North American Salt at 75.86 per ton for 2,000 tons. All voted: Yes.

Kenwood Underground Utility Improvement Project

Mr. Kellums requested to table this item.

Nuisance Properties

The resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 11942 1st Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45249" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2014-91 passed this 5th day of August, 2014.

The resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 11942 1st Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45249" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2014-92 passed this 5th day of August, 2014.

The resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 7943 Irwin Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45236" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2014-93 passed this 5th day of August, 2014.

Hosbrook Road Change Order Resolution

The resolution "Approving a Change Order for the Hosbrook Road Improvement Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2014-94 passed this 5th day of August, 2014.

Duke Energy Billing Authorization Resolution

The resolution "Accepting a Billing Authorizing for the Kenwood Road Utility and Roadway Improvements Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2014-95 passed this 5th day of August, 2014.

Supplemental Police Protection

Mr. Bickford explained the need for a RENU officer for Sycamore Township. Mr. Weidman added that it was RENU that shut down the Drake Motel.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution for supplemental police protection. All voted: Yes.

Electric Aggregation

Mr. Bickford reported on the process for electric aggregation. It will involve two public hearings and the selection of a consultant to guide us through the PUCO process and should take about two months. Mr. Bickford recommended that Duke Energy Retail be used for the aggregation process and the first supplier agreement.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution for electric aggregation with Duke Energy Retail. All voted, Yes.

Upcoming Public Hearing

Mr. Bickford presented the facts for zoning case 2014-07MA, set for a public hearing on Thursday, August 7th at 6:45pm.

Land Bank Property

Mr. Bickford reported that 11931 Fifth Avenue was made available to the Township as a result of HB 138.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to attempt to get the title in the Township's name provided that the Township was not responsible for the delinquent taxes. All voted: Yes.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Maintenance Department	Blanket PO	\$7,500.00
Parks and Recreation Department	Blanket PO	\$7,500.00
Dell Computer	New Computers Fire Department/Admin	\$18,000.00

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to approve the Purchase Orders as submitted. All voted, Yes.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to cancel the August 21, 2014 regular Trustees meeting due to several people not being able to attend. All voted: Yes.

Schedule

The schedule of upcoming events was read by Mr. Bishop.

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Personnel – Compensation** was made by Trustee Weidman and seconded by Trustee Connor.

Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 10:00 a.m.

Begin Executive Session: 10:04 a.m.

End Executive Session: 11:09 a.m.

Back in regular session: 11:09 a.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Connor and seconded by Trustee Weidman.
Vote: All Aye.

End regular session: 11:09 a.m.

Cliff W. Bishop, President

Dennis W. Connor, Vice President

Thomas J. Weidman, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Greg Bickford, Administrator
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