

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting
Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio
November 17, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Present for the meeting were President Connor, Vice President Bishop, 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.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny reported that he is expecting a site visit soon from the Academy of Medicine as a part of our drug license and certification. The Chief does not anticipate any problems with the visit.

The Chief reported that the fire department will be giving a safety talk at Seasons Retirement Home today.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman reported that the monthly statistics from last month have been disseminated.

The Sheriff's SRT team responded to an incident on Irwin Avenue over the weekend where an individual threatened himself and the police. The incident lasted for four hours with the suspect being taken into custody.

Lt. Ketteman reported that the Sheriff's Office will be meeting with the Kenwood Towne Centre and Kenwood Collection given the recent events that have transpired in Paris.

Lt. Ketteman reported that the Towne Centre hires three extra patrols over the Christmas season. Trustee Weidman requested extra patrols for the entire area over the holidays. Lt. Ketteman explained that County cars are not available at all times and areas like Anderson Township rarely get County cars.

Trustee Weidman requested that Lt. Ketteman look at the schedule and figure out when extra patrols are necessary and submit a proposal.

Lt. Ketteman reported that there have been 970 crashes so far in 2015 and 495 theft reports, mostly from the commercial districts.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that the playground equipment for McDaniel Park has been ordered. Luminaria will take place on December 12th at Bechtold Park from 6:00 -8:00 p.m.

Mr. McKeown stated he is in the process of putting band lists together and recommends an 80's band this year.

Mr. Kellums asked if the Luminaria route is mapped out yet. Mr. McKeown stated that it has been and that Bethel Baptist Church will be providing music for the evening.

Maintenance Update

Mr. Kellums reported that the north salt dome has been completed and salt will be ordered for it by the end of the week.

Hosbrook Road traffic calming continues to progress and as a result of the sidewalk construction, leaves on Hosbrook must be bagged by residents in order for the Township to collect them.

Mr. Kellums reported that Prus Construction continues to work on the curbs in Kenwood Meadows and that the Galbraith Road project will stop during the holiday season.

The resolution “Approving a Change Order to a Contract for the Galbraith/Montgomery Utility Project” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Weidman, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2015-152 passed this 17th day of November, 2015

Mr. Kellums reported that a leaf machine damaged a basketball goal that was located in the right of way and the owner has requested that the Township pay for the damages at a cost of \$250.

Discussion ensued about objects in the right of way and the Board directed Mr. Bickford to get an opinion from our insurance carrier as to the Township’s liability and responsibility of objects in the right of way.

Property Maintenance Contract with Columbia Township

The resolution “Authorizing a Contract for the Provision of Property Maintenance Enforcement Services” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2015-153 passed this 17th day of November, 2015

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

U.S. Bank	Series 2014 Infrastructure Improvement Bond Payment	\$5,000.00
Cincinnati City School District	SYC financial/Redstone School PMT	\$906,512.35

A motion was made by Mr. Bickford, seconded by Mr. Weidman to approve these requests. Vote: All Aye

Schedule

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

Mr. Miller stated the Norton litigation was set to go to trial on December 16, 2015 and he wanted to make sure all parties would be present. All said they would be in town and Mr. Miller said the agenda item for litigation was not needed.

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

End regular session: 9:50 a.m.

Dennis W. Connor, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Thomas J. Weidman, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Greg Bickford, Administrator
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