

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting
Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio
September 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. Present for the meeting were President Weidman, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Connor, 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.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny reported that the specifications for the new truck match state bid and could be purchased that way if the bids come back higher, or conversely, the Township may be able to purchase a truck that is lower than the state bid price.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman reported that he met with Assurance Health about the Sheriff's Office response procedures. Chief Penny reported that the squads have made about 10 medical runs to Assurance Health. Mr. Bickford reported that he and Mr. Miller are working on an Economic Development Plan for the Joint Economic Development District on that property. Trustee Weidman requested documentation on all runs to the facility.

Lt. Ketteman stated there have been several drug arrests in High Point recently where the suspects have had unused syringes and drugs hidden in Mountain Dew cans.

Lt. Ketteman reported that the RENU unit had executed a search warrant on Frolic Lane and found open warrant suspects and drugs.

The Sherriff's Office has been using a high amount of NARCAN on drug overdoses.

Mr. Weidman stated that the Township should entertain adding a fourth 24/7 Sherriff's beat. Mr. Connor and Bishop agreed. Mr. Miller and Mr. Bickford will prepare the contract extension.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that all fields are booked through the fall with soccer, baseball, and softball. The baseball field at Schuler has started its annual renovation program. Mr. McKeown stated that Schuler Park has received city wide praise and Xavier and Roger Bacon will be playing games there.

Mr. McKeown asked if the Board was inclined to continue the annual park committee dinner. The Board will continue it with a date to be announced.

ESID District

Mr. Bickford presented the concept of an Energy Efficiency Special Improvement District to benefit private property owners in Sycamore Township. The program pairs private lenders with property owners for energy efficiency improvements to existing properties. The cost of the financing is added to the property tax bill as a special assessment. The County Auditor then distributes the special assessment to the lender. The Township is not responsible for any payment or tax collection. The Board directed Mr. Bickford to begin the ESID creation process.

SCIP Applications

Mr. Bickford reported that State Capital Improvement Program grant applications will be submitted for the Donna Lane / Estermarie Road project as well as a joint application with Hamilton County for Kugler Mill Road

Mr. Bickford also reported that Hosbrook Road was paved today.

Nuisance Property and Vehicles

The resolution “Providing For and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 7806 School Road, Sycamore Township, OH 45249” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-128 passed this 13th day of September, 2016.

The resolution “Providing for the Removal of Junk Vehicle(s) in Sycamore Township, Hamilton County and the Proper Disposal, Storage or Impoundment of Motor Vehicle(s)” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-129 passed this 13th day of September, 2016.

The resolution “Providing for the Removal of Junk Vehicle(s) in Sycamore Township, Hamilton County and the Proper Disposal, Storage or Impoundment of Motor Vehicle(s)” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-130 passed this 13th day of September, 2016.

The resolution “Providing for the Removal of Junk Vehicle(s) in Sycamore Township, Hamilton County and the Proper Disposal, Storage or Impoundment of Motor Vehicle(s)” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-131 passed this 13th day of September, 2016.

The resolution “Providing for the Removal of Junk Vehicle(s) in Sycamore Township, Hamilton County and the Proper Disposal, Storage or Impoundment of Motor Vehicle(s)” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-132 passed this 13th day of September, 2016.

Mr. Bishop stated the property at Mantel and Trebor has high grass again. Mr. Bickford stated it is in the nuisance process.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Cystic Fibrosis	Proceeds from 2016 Golf Outing	\$8,445.77
Lykins Oil Company	Fuel - Fire Department	\$13,904.04
TEC Engineering	Traffic Control	\$3,000.00

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

Schedule

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

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation** was made by Trustee Weidman.
Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 4:10 p.m.

Begin Executive Session: 4:12 p.m.

End Executive Session: 4:23 p.m.

Back in regular session: 4:24 p.m.

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

End regular session: 4:25 p.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Greg Bickford, Administrator
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