

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

January 31, 2017

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

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny requested that the Board purchase 12 ballistic vests for the on duty fire fighters at a total cost of \$5,785. Mr. Bickford stated there was money in the capital budget for this request or, since the life span is beyond 10 years, TIF could be used. The Board approved the request.

The Chief informed the Board that a full time fire fighter has taken a similar position within the City of Cincinnati. The Chief stated that he will begin the process of hiring a replacement.

Fire Pumper Resolution

Mr. Bickford stated he is researching funding options for the future pumper.

The resolution "Authorizing a Contract for the Purchase of an E-One Custom Stainless Steel Fire Pumper" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Weidman dispensing with the second reading. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2017-07 passed this 31st day of January, 2017.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman reported on an incident in which the suspect bit an officer and was charged with disorderly conduct in addition to other charges.

Lt. Ketteman stated an arrest was made on an individual on Britesilks Lane who had overdosed on crystal meth and was passed out in his vehicle. The suspect was a contractor working on a residence there.

A stop sign was damaged in the McCauly Woods subdivision. The Sheriff's office is investigating, but they believe a bus was responsible for the damage.

Lt. Ketteman reported that the U.S. Marshall's service arrested a gang member wanted out of Chicago at the Kenwood Towne Centre.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown listed several bands that are not available for the festival. He indicated that the Marshall Tucker Band would be available for \$30,000 but another act would also be needed for the night. Mr. McKeown requested permission to make an offer to Ann Wilson of Heart for the Festival in an amount not to exceed \$47,500. As a condition of the offer, a refundable / applicable down payment of \$7,500 is required. The Board approved the request.

Maintenance Update

Mr. Kellums requested a motion to advertise for the Montgomery Road Sidewalk, Phase Two. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to advertise for construction. All voted yes.

Mr. Kellums reported that the bids for the Donna Lane construction project will be opened on February 23, 2017.

Upcoming Public Hearings

Mr. Bickford reported that Zoning Cases 2017-01MA and 2017-02P2 will be heard at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2017.

Mr. Bickford advised the Board that the hearing on the Drake Motel is tentatively scheduled for February 16, 2017 and the hearing for 8470 Blue Ash Road is tentatively scheduled for April 6, 2017.

Other upcoming public hearings include the proposed Montgomery Road retirement facility hearing, the Camden Galbraith Road development hearing and the Guttman Office project, all potentially in March.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

AxisTactical.com	Ballistic Vests	\$5,785
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A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to approve this request. Vote: All Aye

Schedule

Mr. Weidman requested the February 14, 2017 Workshop Meeting be moved to 8:30 a.m. and the February 16, 2017 Trustees Meeting be moved to 7:30 p.m. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to approve the time changes. All voted yes.

Mr. Bickford stated that he would work with Mr. Miller on possible dates for the nuisance property hearings.

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

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

End regular session: 9:37 a.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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