

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

January 21, 2016

The regular meeting of The Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Weidman.

The invocation from Trinity United Church of Christ was read by Mr. Connor.

Pledge to the Flag.

Present for the meeting were President Weidman, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Connor, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Fire Chief Penny, Zoning Administrator Holbert, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings held January 5 and 7, 2016 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these minutes.

Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Charles Shelton addressed the Board requesting information regarding a property in Highpoint that was cleaned by a Township hired contractor. Mr. Holbert explained the actions taken by the Township to abate property maintenance violations on the property.

Lt. Ketteman reported that he will include yearly statistics for the Sheriff Department in the next Township newsletter.

Chief Penny reported that the emergency contact form has been well received by businesses. He also informed the Board the fire department had received a donation of lockers from the Kenwood Collection.

Mr. McKeown reported he had contacted Randy Bachman of Bachman Turner Overdrive about possibly performing at the Festival in Sycamore. He said Mr. Bachman's fee is \$30,000. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to make an offer to Mr. Bachman. All voted: Yes.

Mr. Kellums presented the invoice from Duke Energy for the underground utilities project on Galbraith Road.

Mr. Bickford reported that Constellation Energy had sent out solicitation notices for energy services by mistake. They have apologized for the incident and have assured us that it will not happen again.

Mr. Bickford also reported he has been looking in to the possibility of redesigning the Township website.

Mr. Bickford stated that the Sycamore Township fiber project has been moved to a late 2016 construction schedule.

Mr. Bickford reported that the Township could potentially refund its 2007 general obligation debt and save \$60,000 per year in interest payments.

The following purchase orders were presented for approval:

Phoenix Safety Outfitters Turnout Gear – Fire Department \$50,000.00

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to approve these requests. Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Holbert distributed a handout containing regulations regarding trash receptacles for possible addition to the Township's property maintenance code.

Mr. Holbert reported on an appeal to the PUD1 approval for the Glenover Place development. He also stated the Board of Zoning Appeals had received an appeal to the orders regarding an accessory use structure that the Zoning Department had given to a property owner on Vorhees.

Mr. Holbert stated the Planning and Zoning Department had recently begun property maintenance inspections for Columbia Township.

The Board discussed the issue of drones being used in Township Parks. The issue was continued for further discussion at the Workshop Meeting.

The resolution "Adopting a 457 Plan and Trust for Township Fire Fighting Personnel" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Mr. Porter called roll. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2016-06 approved this 21st day of January, 2016.

The resolution "Accepting a Billing Authorization for the Galbraith Road Utility and Roadway Improvements Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading. Mr. Porter called roll. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2016-07 approved this 21st day of January, 2016.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to direct Mr. Miller to prepare a resolution transferring the Reading Road property to the Sycamore Township Community Improvement Corporation. All voted yes.

The receipts and disbursements of January 21, 2016 were available in the Fiscal Officer's Office and are hereby made a part of these minutes.

I hereby certify that the money for payment of these bills is in the fund provided and duly and properly appropriated.

Signed: _____
Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to accept them.
Vote: All Aye.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer
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