#### **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

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

## September 2, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Present for the meeting were President Weidman, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Kent, Law Director Miller, Administrator Molloy, EMS/Fire Director Jetter, Planning/Zoning Administrator/Assistant Township Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, and Sheriff's Liaison Cpl. Fritz. Fiscal Officer Porter and Parks/Recreation Director McKeown were excused.

**Power Aggregation** – Mr. Weidman commented on the Cincinnati Enquirer article regarding natural gas aggregation and requested that a correction be made.

**Sheriff's Patrol Update** – Cpl. Fritz requested approval for the Halloween detail and candy purchase of \$887.00 the Trustees approved this request. Also discussed was a missed shift on August 29, 2008. The Trustees requested that Law Director Miller review for breach of contract. Mr. Weidman emphasized that patrol officers use a common sense approach to "off time" of vehicles.

**Upcoming Public Hearings** – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees of two public hearings scheduled for September 4, 2008 at 6:30 pm:

 $\label{eq:midland} \mbox{Midland Atlantic} - \mbox{Kenwood Place} - \mbox{request for additional signage and dumpster for cardboard recycling}.$ 

Kid's First – Kemper Road – 20,000 sq. ft. addition to east side of existing facility.

**Window Sign Regulations** – Mr. Bickford requested guidance from the Trustees on the display of window signs. The Trustees directed Mr. Bickford to obtain copies of regulations from the City of Montgomery and Dublin, Ohio.

**Land Use Plan / Comprehensive Plan –** Mr. Bickford announced that the Land Use Plan will be available for review and comment on the Township web-site later today. Mr. Bickford also described the time frame for adoption of the plan.

**Red Box DVD Rentals** – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees of a proposed outdoor vending kiosk for DVD rentals at the Dillonvale Walgreens. Chief Jetter offered guidance through the fire code.

**Property Cleanup** (**Inmates**) – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees that inmates supplied through the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office would no longer be available for property clean-up due to budget constraints. The Trustees suggested Mr. Bickford contact Jodi Leis at the Probation Department for assistance.

**Landscape Consultant Agreement** – A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to approve the Landscape Consultant Agreement pending favorable review by the Law Director. Vote: All Aye.

## **Nuisance Properties –**

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 4208 Kugler Mill Road" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2008-73 passed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2008.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8701 Appleknoll Lane" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2008-74 passed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2008.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 7841 Kugler Mill Road (AKA 7841 East Galbraith Road)" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2008-75 passed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2008.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8561 Concord Hills Circle" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to dispense with the second reading. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2008-76 passed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2008.

**Kemper Road Fence Issue** – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees of an issue with a fence not being constructed according to the plans submitted. The homeowner has stated that the Zoning Inspector had signed off; however, the file contains no documentation on a final approval.

**Station 93 Status Report** – Chief Jetter asked the Board for direction in regards to the successful bidder on the new Station 93 and community room. The Board asked for a contract from Cincinnati United Contractors to be ordered and forwarded to the Law Director for review and preparation.

**Fire Invoices / Purchase Requests** – The Board of Trustees approved the Fire invoices and purchase requests as submitted.

#### Deerfield Road Park -

- **a. Park Sign -** Mr. Kellums stressed the need for naming the Deerfield Road Park due to the amount of time required for fabrication. The Trustees agreed to submit names for consideration
- **b. Playground Equipment** Ron Roberts discussed several grant opportunities for outdoor recreation equipment. The Trustees directed Mr. Roberts to move quickly as the park is progressing.

**Community Development Block Grant Program** – Mr. Molloy discussed the upcoming 3 year cycle of the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Trustees directed Mr. Molloy to work towards developing a sidewalk ramp program.

**Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00** – Mr. Molloy presented the following purchase orders:

Healthware Solutions LLC EMS software renewal \$6,902.00 Dave Bednar Enterprises Fire Suppression Foam \$4,443.60

A motion was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to approve these purchase orders.

Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Weidman discussed being pro-active on issues of pit bull ban and requested that this item be placed on the September 4, 2008 meeting agenda for consideration.

Mr. Kent requested that a location be determined for a recycling dumpster in the northern portion of the Township.

Mr. Bishop discussed ongoing issues with the auto repair garage at the corner of Wexford Avenue and E. Galbraith Road and stressed follow up on a continuing basis and that this become an item on future agenda's.

**Schedule** – Mr. Molloy presented the upcoming schedule of events.

## Executive Session - Imminent Litigation and Property Acquisition -

Mr. Kellums requested an executive session to discuss imminent litigation and Mr. Weidman requested an executive session to discuss property acquisition.

Vote: Weidman, Aye; Bishop, Aye; Kent, Aye.

The Board entered into executive session at 10:40 am.

The executive session adjourned at 11:15 am.

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

Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 11:16 am.

Thomas J. Weidman, President
Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President
Richard C. Kent, Trustee
Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer
Rob Molloy, Administrator