

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio February 1, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:27 a.m. Present for the meeting were, President Weidman, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Kent, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Raabe, EMS/Fire Director Jetter, Planning/Zoning Administrator/Assistant Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, and Sheriff's Liaison Lt. Reid.

Sheriff Patrol Update – Lt. Reid reported that the D.A.R.E. Program would be starting up at All Saints on Friday, February 4th and the Moeller Driving Angels Program is scheduled to begin in October.

Lt. Reid informed the Trustees that the Montgomery Road vehicular fatality that occurred over the weekend was apparently due to a medical emergency.

Zoning Fees – Mr. Bickford requested that various residential zoning fees be considered for reduction to \$0 (sheds, decks, etc....see attached list). There also would be a slight increase in several commercial zoning fees. The last change to zoning fee rates occurred in 2006. A motion to amend the rates and prepare a resolution for Thursday's meeting was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Weidman. Vote: All Aye.

Upcoming Public Hearing – Mr. Bickford reported that there will be a Public Hearing on Thursday, February 3, 2011 at 6:45 p.m. for the Shell gas station on Montgomery. There were minor changes requiring approval. A motion directing Attorney Miller to prepare a zoning resolution for Thursday's meeting was made by Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Weidman. Vote: All Aye.

Parks and Recreation Update – Mr. McKeown reported that Shelter #3 appears to be leaning more – possibly due to frost heave – and it has been roped off with caution tape pending demolition by the Service Department when weather conditions improve and time is available. He also reported that Brandstetter & Carroll will supply a new design for the shelters by February 13th.

Mr. McKeown also reported that the following concert dates and announced that the Festival bands were set:

Twilight Concerts

Saturday, May 14th, Behind the Admin Building at 8540 Kenwood Road, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 11th, McDaniel Park, 11797 Solzman Road, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 18th, Bechtold Park, 4312 Sycamore Road, 6:00 p.m.

Festival in Sycamore

Friday, July 15th, Bechtold Park, 4312 Sycamore Road, Ambrosia

Saturday, July 16th, Bechtold Park, 4312 Sycamore Road, Grand Funk

Saturday, August 20th there will be a car show at the Schuler Recreational Facility with a band to be named later.

Fire/EMS Invoices and Purchase Request – The Fire/EMS invoices and purchase requests were approved as presented.

Turn Out Gear Purchase Request – Chief Jetter requested approval to purchase ten sets of turnout gear from the Northeast Collaborative, using T.I.F. funds, for a total of \$14,690.10; these would have a ten year life span. A motion to approve for payment was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Kent. Vote: All Aye.

Upcoming Labor Contract – Chief Jetter requested direction as to which labor attorney to use for the upcoming labor contract talks. Mr. Weidman stated that he would set up a meeting with a representative from Dinsmore & Shohl.

Plan Review Fee Changes – Chief Jetter presented proposed fee changes for plan reviews as follows:

After hours inspection	\$400 (from \$300)
Hydrant fee	\$25
Hot work permit	\$25
Residential UST	\$25
Bonfire permit	\$25

After discussion, it was recommended to raise the Residential UST fee to \$100, and the Bonfire permit to \$100. A motion to approve the fee changes was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Kent. Vote: All Aye.

Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00 – Mr. Raabe had no purchase orders for approval at this time. He did report that the County Engineer's Annual Dinner was being held on February 16th, at Pebble Creek Golf Club. In addition, he also reported that the ODNR NatureWorks Grant had been submitted to the state for assistance in replacing Shelter #3.

Law Director Miller reminded Mr. Raabe that the Annual Tax Incentive Review Meeting with the local schools needed to be held during the first week in March.

The resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting, Removal of Trash and Debris and Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12186 Fourth Avenue, Sycamore Township" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Weidman, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency.

Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2011-05 passed this 1st day of February, 2011.

Schedule - Mr. Raabe presented the upcoming schedule of events.

An Executive Session was entered into at 10:10 a.m. and ended at 10:26 a.m. for the purposes of imminent litigation and personnel-employment.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Richard C. Kent, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Bruce A. Raabe, Administrator

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