## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio July 19, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present for the meeting were, President Weidman, Vice President Bishop, Trustee Connor, 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 Liaison Lt. Reid.

**First Financial Bank - Material Presentation** – Steve Scott with K4 Architecture presented final samples of the material to be used for the First Financial Bank construction. The brick presented is the same as was used on Redstone and the natural stone for the tower is an exact color match for Redstone, but not the same material. It is being used by Camargo Cadiallac. The Board approved the presented materials as required per the Resolution.

**Fire/EMS Invoices and Purchase Request** – Chief Jetter informed the Trustees that the Jewish Hospital disaster drill is scheduled for September along with the Sheriff's Office. He also advised the Board that there are a lot of in-house repairs being done to various vehicles and there were a lot of heat runs.

**Parks and Recreation Update** – Mr. Weidman congratulated Mike McKeown and Tracy Kellums for a great Festival, Mr. Connor seconded the comments. Mr. McKeown advised the Trustees that the Bloody Tinth will be playing behind the Administration Building on Sunday, July 31 at 6:00 pm. He announced that the Summer Bash and Car Show will be held on August 20; he noted that he is trying to increase the food booths to seven.

**Park Rules – Weapons** – Law Director Miller will review the weapons policy with the upcoming law changes.

**Sheriff Patrol Update** – Lt. Reid stated that the Festival crowd was great; they only had one arrest each day. He also said that the Towne Centre is keeping the Sheriff's Office busy.

**Internet Sweepstakes Regulations** – Moratorium is expiring and Mr. Bickford is recommending a permanent ban for internet sweepstakes. A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to ban internet sweepstakes. Vote: All Aye. The Board requested Law Director Miller to prepare a resolution.

**Board of Zoning Appeals Fee Waiver** – Mr. Bickford advised the Trustees that the 2010 Power Mission Baptist Church on Montgomery Road had permission to add on 14'9 x 21'1. Hamilton County didn't catch it but they added 16'8 x 23'2 instead. Mr. Bickford suggested that the Trustees waive the \$500 fee if the fire compliance issues were cleaned up. This will go back to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

**Nuisance Properties** – Mr. Bickford presented the following nuisance properties: 3764 Lyndon Center Court, 3719 Mantell Avenue, 8380 Wicklow Avenue, and 8397 Wicklow Avenue.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 3764 Lyndon Center Court, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2011-53 passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 3719 Mantell Avenue, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2011-54 passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8380 Wicklow Avenue, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2011-55 passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

A resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8397 Wicklow Avenue, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2011-56 passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

Change Order – Towers of Kenwood Drive – Mr. Kellums presented a change order for the Towers of Kenwood Drive in the amount of \$14,618.52. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor to approve this change order. Vote: All Aye. Mr. Kellums advised the Trustees that the rubber mulch material (\$10 per sq. ft.) totals \$17,845.00. The Trustees voted to approve the installation of the rubber mulch.

**Duke Energy Electric Contract** - Mr. Raabe presented a contract from Duke Electric to purchase electricity at a rate of (get the rate from the contract) per kilowatt hour for the Township's public buildings and street lights. The Board approved the request.

**Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00** - Mr. Raabe presented one purchase order over \$2,500.00: Print Management Fall Newsletter \$4,000.00 A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor to approve this purchase order. Vote: All Aye.

Law Director Miller advised the Trustees that he was working on a sign replacement policy for 2012.

Chief Jetter requested to be excused from the Trustee Meeting on July 21 due to vacation.

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

A resolution "Honoring Richard C. Kent" 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. This resolution passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

This portion of the meeting ended at 9:54 with a short break.

**Executive Session - Property Acquisition** – A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to enter into executive session for the purpose of property acquisition. Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

Executive session was entered into at 10:05 a.m. Executive session ended at 11:02 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn the meeting. Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President
Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President
Dennis W. Connor, Trustee
Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer
Bruce A. Raabe, Administrator

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