

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio April 17, 2012

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 Director/Assistant Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, and Lt. Butler from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

Parks and Recreation Update – The WGRR Yard Sale will take place this weekend at Bechtold Park from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Mr. McKeown also reported that he is setting up a meeting with Moeller regarding the possibility of converting the infield at Schuler from grass to dirt. There is also another coach (Chargers/AABC – 14U) interested in potentially contributing to the effort. Mr. McKeown reported that the Festival sponsorship was up to \$40,000.

2012 Black Mat Program – Final state bid quote for the Black Mat Program was \$185,769.29. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to approve this purchase, seconded by Mr. Connor.
Vote: All Aye.

Sheriff Patrol Update – All reports had been previously submitted to the Administrator. Lt. Butler also reported that the copper theft at the Duke facility had progressed with the arrest of the perpetrator and his accomplice/girl friend.

Fire/EMS Invoices and Purchase Request – The Chief presented the invoices and purchase requests, including one for EMS Refusal Forms, with no questions or comments from the Board. They were approved as presented.

EMS Tablets – The Fire Chief informed the Board that General Growth Properties donated \$4,400 to be used to buy computer tablets for EMS runs. The lowest bid was for \$3,685.68 from LAN RM and he recommended going with their offer. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to approve this purchase, seconded by Mr. Connor. Vote: All Aye.

Staffing Levels – In an attempt to meet the 2012 Fire Budget, the Chief recommended reducing staffing levels from 14 to 14, starting May 1st. This will save over \$200,000 over the course of the year. There will be 7 running out of the south and 5 out of the north. The Chief informed the Board that Saturday they ran with only 9 and crews were at the FBI, an electrical fire in the parking garage at Kenwood Towne Centre and a diabetic call in the field behind the Drake Motel. Trustee Connor asked if adjoining municipalities were notified of staff level changes and the response was to the negative. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to approve this staffing level change, seconded by Mr. Connor. Vote: All Aye.

Nuisance Properties – Mr. Bickford presented 3 properties for Trash and Debris Removal: 4229 Woodlawn Avenue, 4305 Woodlawn Avenue, and 7268 Kenwood Road.

A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to declare these properties a nuisance, seconded by Mr. Connor.
Vote: All Aye.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 3764 Lyndon Center court, Sycamore Township, OH 45236” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispense with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2012-23 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

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Resolution No. 2012-23 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12186 4th Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45249” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispense with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2012-24 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12172 4th Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45249” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispense with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2012-25 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8615 Monroe Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45242” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispense with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2012-26 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 7808 Kugler Mill Road, Sycamore Township, OH 45243” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispense with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2012-27 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 3719 Mantell Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45236” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispense with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2012-28 passed this 1st day of May, 2012.

Trustee Connor also indicated a repeat offender house on Hosbrook was getting bad again.
Tracy Kellums reported that the lawn on Linden Center needed cutting.

Stormwater Improvement – Kenwood Towers Site – Mr. Bickford reminded the Board that the Neyer property next to the FBI building had been previously authorized to have \$1,000,000 spent on improving the stormwater aspects of the site and that these monies can be used from TIF to pay for it versus selling bonds. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop to have Law Director Miller prepare a service agreement for this expenditure, seconded by Mr. Connor.

Vote: All Aye.

Update/Purchase Orders Over \$2,500.00 – The following purchase orders were presented for approval:

Sturbridge Recon. Loan	\$ 37,499.18	Ohio Public Works Commission
Legal Services	\$ 16,392.00	Dinsmore
KW Crossing/Marriott/Manor	\$ 197,258.52	Deer Park Schools
Karrington/Cornell/Snider	\$ 79,848.20	Sycamore Board of Education
Duke/KW/Syc. Plaza/GSA/KTP	\$1,744,310.21	Indian Hill Schools
Kemper Goldcoast/Brookwood	\$ 66,814.11	Princeton Schools
Crack Sealer	\$ 5,000.00	Tracy Kellums/Public Works

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

Vote: All Aye.

Schedule – Mr. Raabe reminded the Board that Thursday will be the National Day of Prayer event with Trustee Weidman and Chief Jetter speaking.

Sheriff Contract and LGF – Attorney Miller indicated he had a question on the language in the contract relating to the 3 year term as well as costs relating to “collective bargaining agreement”. He also stated that the resolution will be presented Thursday for the renewal of the County Auditor’s agreement on how to split the Local Government Funds (due every 7 years).

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

Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 9:34 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