RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio November 3, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present for the meeting were President Bishop, Vice President Connor, Trustee Weidman, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny reported that Microsoft gave a demo tablet to the department for testing. Chief Penny also said the radios and equipment from the old City Band system had been removed and need to be disposed of. He is looking into how to maximize cost recovery for disposition of the old equipment.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman reported that traffic was stopped on I-71 last night as multiple arrests were made because of outstanding warrants. Lt. Ketteman informed the Trustees of a condemned apartment on Kenwood Road. He also reported that Halloween patrol went well with no major incidents.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that an official offer had been extended to Kansas to perform at the 2015 Festival in Sycamore. He hopes to have an answer by November 6th. Mr. McKeown stated that the annual Luminaria will take place at Bechtold Park and throughout Dillonvale on Saturday, December 6, 2014.

Maintenance Department Update

Mr. Kellums reported that the construction of the Kenwood Access Road is in progress and paving should begin this week. He noted Barrett Paving had done a nice job keeping the road open. Mr. Kellums said the construction at Hosbrook and Montgomery Roads would not be completed by the end of the year. The Galbraith Road project had a change order in the amount of \$14,591.47 that was approved by the Hamilton County Engineers Office. Mr. Kellums stated that the County did not contact the Township about the change order. It was discovered that the change order was the result of an engineering mistake. The Board directed Mr. Kellums to have the County Engineer pay for the change.

Mr. Kellums reported that there is supposed to be a delivery of 300 tons of salt today. However, he is not confident that the supplier will deliver. Mr. Weidman asked how many tons of salt the Township had on hand. Mr. Kellums replied about 600 tons.

Kenwood Traffic Control

Mr. Bickford reported that the issues with the Ohio Department of Transportation have been worked out and the project will be completed before the holiday shopping season. Mr. Bickford reported that the cost for the project will be \$52,680.00 and will include seven intersections.

Health Insurance 2015

Mr. Bickford requested the discussion be tabled to a future meeting.

Reading Road Property

Mr. Miller reported the closing would take place that day.

Resolution Authorizing Tax Levies and Certifying to the Auditor

The resolution "Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission & Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2014-131 passed this 3rd day of November, 2014.

Mr. Miller presented a Proclamation declaring November, 2014 Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in Sycamore Township.

Upcoming Public Hearings

Mr. Bickford presented submittal items and Zoning Commission recommendation for Zoning Case 2014-13P2 to the Board of Trustees. The case will be heard by the Trustees at 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, November 6, 2014.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

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US Bank	Series 2009 Bond Payments	\$691,231.25
US Bank	Series 2007 Bond Payments	\$309,143.75
US Bank	Series 2007B Bond Payments	\$622,506.25
US Bank	Series 2010 Bond Payments	\$123,900.00
Phoenix Safety Outfitters	Gear Repairs	\$26,500.00
Advanced Tank Technologies	5,000 Gallon Storage Tank	\$3,995.00

A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these requests. Vote: All Aye.

Schedule

The schedule of upcoming events was read by Mr. Bishop.

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining** was made by Trustee Bishop. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 9:33 a.m.

Begin Executive Session:9:35 a.m.

End Executive Session: 10:40 a.m.

Back in regular session: 10:40 a.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Connor and seconded by Trustee Weidman. Vote: All Aye.

End regular session: 10:40 a.m.

Cliff W. Bishop, President

Dennis W. Connor, Vice President

Thomas J. Weidman, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Greg Bickford, Administrator Workshop Minutes 11/03/2014