#### RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

# **December 2, 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 and Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

# **City Band Radios**

Chief Penny reported that due to their age and lack of users, the old city band radios do not have any resale value and they will be disposed of. The Chief will attempt to contact the Red Cross to see if they are interested in them.

Chief Penny also reported that the antennas currently on the Brecon and the Duke Towers will be removed since they are no longer in service.

# **Sheriff Department Update**

- Lt. Ketteman reported that there was an attempted breaking and entering at McAlister's Deli overnight. An employee pulled up to discover two individuals attempting to wheel a safe down the sidewalk. The suspects fled on foot and are at large. The Crime Unit is investigating. It was determined that the alarm in McAlister's was delayed in sending the alert.
- Lt. Ketteman reported that there have been over 700 crashes in the Township this year and that calls for service rank Sycamore Township 4<sup>th</sup> in the county.
- Lt. Ketteman stated his office is investigating the car reported as abandoned in the Heitmeyer Farms Subdivision.

#### **Parks and Recreation Update**

Mr. McKeown reported that Luminaria is this Saturday night from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Mr. McKeown thanked Mr. Kellums for his assistance the past few weeks.

Mr. McKeown reported that the Health Screening Group will be at the Community Room on January 2, 2015.

Mr. McKeown has been contacted by several bands that want to play our festival this year. Mr. Weidman suggested Deez Guys out of Hilton Head. The Board directed Mr. McKeown to determine costs for local and national bands to see what gets the best value.

Mr. McKeown reported that Kansas has signed the contract and will be sending it to us later this week for the July 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Festival in Sycamore.

## **Maintenance Update**

Mr. Kellums reported that Hosbrook Road construction has been halted for the winter in between the curbs. There may be non-pavement activities such as sidewalks being poured, weather permitting. After the first of the year, Duke Energy and Cincinnati Bell will begin to install the underground utilities.

Mr. Kellums reported that the design phase of the Hosbrook Road calming study is underway and the Board must make a decision on sidewalks. The current plan is to take them as far as Lynnfield Court; however, there is an option to take them all the way to Euclid Avenue. Mr. Bickford reported that there is a KMCA meeting this week to discuss the design and get their feedback. Mr. Weidman asked about the collateral damage if sidewalks were installed all the way to Euclid Avenue. Mr. Kellums stated that there are one or two trees that would have to be removed and two small retaining walls that would need to be constructed. Mr. Bickford suggested a potential public hearing date of December 18, 2014 to discuss the issue and will report back on Thursday if that will work.

Mr. Kellums reported that the Kenwood Access Road had been completed and it now needs a name. Mr. Weidman suggested Lincoln Lane and Mr. Connor suggested American Way. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to name it American Way. Roll call vote; Weidman, No; Bishop, Yes; Connor, Yes.

Mr. Kellums reported that leaf collection has been extended to December 19<sup>th</sup> due to the early snowfall.

# **Upcoming Open House**

Mr. Bickford informed the Board that an open house is scheduled for a proposed zone change on the Happy Hearts Daycare and Paragon Metals property for Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **Upcoming Public Hearing**

Mr. Bickford showed the proposal for Case 2014-14MA scheduled for a public hearing before the Board of Trustees on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

## Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase order for approval:

LSQ Temporary Labor \$16,000

Mr. Connor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bishop, all voted yes.

#### Schedule

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

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

End regular session: 9:40 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 12/02/2014