

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

December 30, 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, Captain Cooper and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Chief Penny was excused.

Fire Department Update

Captain Cooper reported that the Chief's new car is operational. He also reported that the Chief is looking into raising the billing amount for services.

There have been 4,189 total fire and EMS runs in 2014 which is an all-time high. Of the total number of runs, 989 have been fire runs.

Captain Cooper reported that the new Fire Department website has been well received and is getting a large number of hits. He thanked the Trustees for allowing them to start it.

Mr. Weidman asked how many of our 4,000+ runs could have utilized the non-emergency number. Captain Cooper said he would look at the data to get that number.

Mr. Weidman suggested we find a way to educate the public on using the non-emergency number for calls to save on Communications Center charges since the rate has gone up again this year.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman reported that year end stats would be out in a few weeks but at this time, the Sheriff's office has logged over 12,000 calls for service and has responded to over 700 crashes in Sycamore Township.

Lt. Ketteman reported that traffic in Kenwood over the holidays flowed very well and the investments the Township has made over the years are starting to pay off.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that he is still waiting on a reply from Brownsville Station on the offer to play at the Festival. The Kansas contract will be ready for signature at the next workshop.

Maintenance Update

Mr. Kellums reported that the maintenance department is winding down for the year and that the snow equipment is ready to use should it be needed. Mr. Kellums reported that the water main leak on Hosbrook had been fixed and we would not know the extent of the damage to the road until the subgrade dries out.

Nuisance Property and Vehicle Resolutions

The resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8314 St. Clair Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45236" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2014-168 passed this 30th day of December, 2014.

The resolution “Providing for the Removal of Junk Vehicle(s) in Sycamore Township, Hamilton County and the Proper Disposal, Storage or Impoundment of Motor Vehicle(s)” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called roll. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2014-169 passed this 30th day of December, 2014.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

There we no purchase orders for consideration.

Schedule

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

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining, Personnel Compensation, and Property Acquisition** was made by Trustee Bishop. Mr. Porter called the roll.

Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 9:23 a.m.

Begin Executive Session: 9:32 a.m.

End Executive Session: 10:22 a.m.

Back in regular session: 10:22 a.m.

Mr. Weidman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to direct Law Director Miller to prepare a letter of intent for the property located 7799 Montgomery Road. All voted Yes.

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

End regular session: 10:22 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 12/30/2014