

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting
Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio
September 29, 2015

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

Trustee Bishop stated that there have been many incidents recently where metro busses and other delivery trucks have blocked the roadway to make deliveries and pick up personal items. Lt. Ketteman stated he would advise the deputies to site vehicles parked in the roadway illegally.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny reported that he has been meeting with Jewish Hospital regarding fire protection on the helipad and they have a potential solution that will work for both parties.

Chief Penny reported that EMS billing and revenue is up for 2015 and is on pace to exceed \$680,000 for the year.

Chief Penny provided an update on the statistics for the department and said he will have a written report soon.

Sheriff Department Update

Lt. Ketteman advised the Board that there was a heroin overdose at the McDonalds parking lot. The patient survived.

Lt. Ketteman advised the Board on the Diamonds Rock attempted burglary. There were over \$87,000 in diamonds recovered when the suspects were trapped in the elevator. The female suspect had concealed jewelry in a body cavity and it was discovered via a body scan at the Justice Center. There was also heroin found in the suspect's vehicle.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that he is meeting with possible vendors for the McDaniel Park playground equipment. The cost to replace the equipment may be over \$100,000.

There was discussion on whether or not the project would need to be bid. Mr. Miller stated if it was over \$50,000 competitive bidding may be required as well as prevailing wage.

There was also discussion regarding the light at Larchview Drive and Plainfield Road. Mr. Bickford stated the County has looked at the light and says it is functioning properly. Lt. Ketteman stated the Communications Center received a call this morning from a school bus that was stuck at the light because it would not cycle. Mr. Bickford advised the Board that he would continue to work with the County to determine if the light is malfunctioning.

Resolution Hosbrook Road Change Order

The resolution "Approving a Change Order to a Contract for the Hosbrook Road Traffic Calming Project" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye. Resolution No. 2015-124 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

Resolution Agreement with ODOT for Montgomery Road Sidewalks

The resolution “Approving an Agreement between the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation and Sycamore Township for the Construction and Maintenance of Sidewalks along a Portion of Montgomery Road” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2015-125 passed this 29th day of September, 2015

Resolution Contract with Thelen Associates for Test Borings

The resolution “Authorizing a Contract with Thelen Associates, Inc. for Test Borings” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2015-126 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

Upcoming Public Hearing

Mr. Bickford presented information on Zoning Commission Case 2015-17P2 which is slated for a public hearing on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 6:45 p.m.

Nuisance Properties and Vehicles

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8608 Blue Ash Road, Sycamore Township, OH 45242” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2015-127 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

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. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2015-128 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

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Resolution No. 2015-129 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8075 Reading Road, Sycamore Township, OH 45237” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2015-130 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

Resolution Reaffirming Appropriations for Calendar Year 2015

The resolution “Reaffirming Appropriations for Calendar Year 2015” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2015-131 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

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 to the County Auditor” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.
Resolution No. 2015-132 passed this 29th day of September, 2015.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

SSP Northcreek, LLC	Tri Health Garage Draw #12	\$63,083.41
Capital Electric	Camera installation	\$26,000.00
Blanket Vendor	Bunker Gear	\$7,557.00

A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Bishop to approve this request. Vote: All Aye

Schedule

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

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

End regular session: 9:42 a.m.

Dennis W. Connor, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Thomas J. Weidman, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Greg Bickford, Administrator
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