

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting**  
**Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio**  
**February 16, 2016**

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 Bickford, Superintendent Kellums, Parks/Recreation Director McKeown, Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Kettelman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

**Fire Department Update**

Chief Penny reported that he has spoken with Dr. Jay Johannigman from UC about the medical director position and if an agreement can be worked out there is a potential savings of \$14,000 per year.

The Chief reported that he wants to dispose of the old air packs. Mr. Miller stated he would prepare a resolution.

**Sheriff Department Update**

Lt. Kettelman reported that there is a regional heroin forum at UC Blue Ash on March 1, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Randy Bachman Contract**

Mr. McKeown reported that he has received the contract for the Festival in Sycamore from Randy Bachman. Mr. Miller stated he would have a resolution prepared for the Thursday meeting.

Mr. McKeown reported that Mark Farner has also confirmed for the Festival in Sycamore.

**Maintenance Update**

Mr. Kellums reported that the Galbraith Road project continues to progress slowly due to utilities being found in the field that were not on any plans.

Mr. Kellums reported that the security fence has been installed on Hosbrook Road as part of the traffic calming project.

The Township still has an adequate salt supply and has another 1,000 tons on order, 800 tons of which must be moved to Township salt domes soon.

The resolution "Authorizing a Contract for the Purchase of a Ford F-150 Pickup Truck" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll.

Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-22 passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

### **2016 Lawn Care and Mowing Contracts**

The resolution “Approving Proposals for Ground Care Services for Township Parks, Grounds, and Rights of Way” 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. 2016-23 passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

The resolution “Approving Proposals for Grass Cutting Services for Township Parks, Grounds, and Rights of Way” 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. 2016-24 passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

The resolution “Authorizing the Purchase of Two Leaf Loaders” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll.

Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-25 passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

### **2007 General Purpose Bond – Reissuance**

Mr. Bickford reported that every year he has the Township’s debt looked at for potential refinance or re-issuance. This year, Andy Brossart has stated that the 2007 General Purpose Bonds are eligible to be re-issued with a potential annual savings of \$60,000 or more. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to proceed with the re-issuance. All voted yes.

### **Nuisance Properties**

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Removal of Trash and Debris, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12148 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45249” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-26 passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

The resolution “Providing for and Authorizing Removal of Trash and Debris, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12148 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45249” was read. A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Bishop, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2016-27 passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

### **Purchase Orders over \$2,500**

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Concrete Booking Agency Inc.	Festival in Sycamore Band	\$30,000.00
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A motion was made by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Connor to approve this request. Vote: All Aye

## **Schedule**

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

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisition and Pending Litigation** was made by Trustee Weidman.

Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 9:15 a.m.

Begin Executive Session: 9:17 a.m.

End Executive Session: 9:49 a.m.

Back in regular session: 9:49 a.m.

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

End regular session: 9:49 a.m.

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Thomas J. Weidman, President

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Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

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Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

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Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

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Greg Bickford, Administrator

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