#### RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

# Minutes of the Trustees of Sycamore Township Meeting Sycamore Township, Hamilton County, Ohio November 15, 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. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

#### **Fire Department Update**

Chief Penny updated the Board on the number of Assurant Health Runs. The Chief also reported that the Kenwood Collection will be purchasing a radio that is tied into the Township's frequency and that the Kenwood Towne Centre is getting an old base unit so they can have direct communication as well.

### **Sheriff Department Update**

Lt. Ketteman reported that there were 1,065 calls for service in the month of October. He also reported that the deputies were grateful for the addition of the fourth 24/7 car.

The Sherriff's office is working with the Kenwood Towne Centre on potential protests.

# **Parks and Recreation Update**

Mr. McKeown reported that Luminaria will take place on December 10, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mr. McKeown reminded the Board that bands for the Festival in Sycamore are booking quickly and that we still need a band for Saturday night.

Mr. McKeown informed the Board there was a homeless man living in Bechtold Park. The Sheriff's office is investigating.

#### **Maintenance Update**

Mr. Kellums reported that the final crossover on the Galbriath Road project is underway and once complete, all conduit will have been installed. The job will shut down for the holidays on November 22, 2016 and will resume after the first of the year.

Mr. Kellums updated the Board on several ongoing projects: Prus construction is working on the Township curb program and Duke Energy is working on replacing gas service lines throughout the Township.

Mr. Kellums requested a motion to advertise for and RFQ for interstate beautification projects. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to advertise. All voted yes.

The annual leaf collection program is in full force and will continue through mid-December.

Mr. Kellums reported that a public open house will be conducted for Sycamore Road on December 8, 2016. He also reported that the Kugler Mill project did not receive SCIP funding.

### **Upcoming Public Hearings**

Mr. Bickford presented the Guttmann Office development and stated that its public hearing would be held on December 1, 2016. He advised the Board that the Zoning Commission recommended denial of the case.

Mr. Bickford reported that a public information meeting about the Duke Energy Pipeline is scheduled for November 16, 2016. He stated that all residents within 300 feet of the proposed routes received notice of the meeting.

Mr. Miller requested direction on several nuisance properties that have dilapidated structures: 8470 Blue Ash Road, 7714 School Road, 8701 Appleknoll Lane, and 8109 Reading Road. The Board directed Mr. Miller to prepare a notice of Nuisance Hearings for the December 15, 2016 meeting for all of the properties.

Mr. Miller stated that Mr. Holbert has requested that the Township file injunctions on 7601 School, 4321 Myrtle, and 9125 Montgomery for zoning violations. Mr. Connor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bishop, to direct Mr. Miller to prepare the injunctions and nuisance hearing notices. All voted yes.

## **Nuisance Property**

The resolution "Providing for and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 7806 School Road, 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. 2016-153 passed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

#### **Northcreek Garage**

Mr. Miller reported that the State of Ohio has denied the tax exempt request for the Northcreek Garage. He stated that potential solutions to the denial could be to transfer the property to the Township or extend the lease to 99 years.

Mr. Bickford stated that the garage is on its own parcel and could be transferred to the Township without effecting the building.

The Board directed Mr. Miller to look into the property transfer.

### Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Vogelpohl Fire Equipment Low Profile 4500 PSI 45 Minute Cylinder \$44,016.00 LSQ Funding Group Temporary Help \$10,000.00

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.

Mr. Weidman asked if there was any agenda for Thursday. Mr. Bickford stated not at this time.

Mr. Weidman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bishop to cancel the Thursday meeting.

All voted yes.

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

End regular session: 9:51 a.m.	
Thomas J. Weidman, President	
Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President	
Dennis W. Connor, Trustee	
Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Offic	_ cei

Greg Bickford, Administrator

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