

## **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

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

**August 1, 2017**

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. Smith of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Zoning Administrator Holbert was excused.

#### **Fire Department Update**

Chief Penny reported that in the fall, Firefighter Mike Kramer will be doing a safety class for Kids First Sports Center about head injuries and how to treat them.

The Chief also reported that the Ultimate Escape on Reading Road has been shut down for code violations and life safety issues. Mr. Bickford stated he would look into the building and zoning permits to see if they were issued.

#### **Sheriff's Department Update**

Lt. Smith reported that there were no incidents or citations issued at the Festival in Sycamore. He also reported that traffic enforcement has been stepped up on Larchview near Plainfield to address resident complaints.

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

Mr. McKeown reported that the car show is this Saturday, August 5th and requested that the judging take place at 2:30 p.m.

Mr. McKeown said the Moeller Lacrosse team will be at the August 17<sup>th</sup> Trustee meeting.

Mr. McKeown asked the Board if they wanted to continue the annual Park Committee appreciation dinner. He stated that many members of the committee are retiring after 25 years. The Board approved holding the meeting at Maggiano's.

Mr. Weidman stated that Mr. McKeown did an excellent job on the Festival.

#### **Maintenance Update**

Mr. Kellums reported on lightning damage at Schuler Park that knocked out electric to most of the park. He stated that lightning struck one of the light towers and has damaged the electric panel. Repairs are underway and insurance has been notified.

Mr. Kellums stated that the curb for Donna Lane will be poured this week and that a sinkhole has appeared on Longford. He is working with MSD to determine the cause and to get it repaired.

The Galbraith Road project is still waiting on Duke Energy to complete the five remaining new electric service connections.

Mr. Kellums stated that there has been no returned money in the SCIP/LTIP program for this year and as a result, Kugler Mill will not receive funding in this round. Finally, Mr. Kellums stated that Township crews are in the neighborhoods repairing sidewalks.

### **Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Time**

Mr. Bickford stated that the Board of Zoning Appeals has requested a resolution moving the meeting times up to 6:30 p.m. from 7:00 p.m. The Board had no objection to the change.

### **Nuisance Property Resolutions**

The resolution “Providing For and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 4316 Sycamore Road, Sycamore Township, OH 45236” 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. 2017-82 passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017.

The resolution “Providing For and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 8150 Queens Avenue, Sycamore Township, OH 45236” 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. 2017-84 passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017.

The resolution “Providing For and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12198 Fieldsted Dr., Sycamore Township, OH 45249” 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. 2017-83 passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017.

Mr. Miller reported that the notification process has begun for the nuisance abatement of the Marley property on Kugler Mill Road.

### **Upcoming Public Hearings**

Mr. Bickford reported that the Skyline Chili on Montgomery Road had an open house for a parking lot expansion and drive thru addition. The Board will hear the case sometime in October or November. He also stated that there will be an Eagle Scout presentation on Thursday as well as the Goddard presentation for his heroic action at Skyline.

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

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Blanket Vendor	Vehicles	\$25,000.00
Blanket Vendor	Festival/Events	\$10,000.00
Adleta Construction	Storm Sewer Repair 3885 Mantell Ave.	\$3,229.00

Mr. Bishop made a motion seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these requests. Mr. Porter called the roll. All voted yes.

Mr. Miller reported that Norton is unwilling to pay an increased rent on the billboard. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to require that the billboard be removed. All voted yes.

## **Schedule**

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

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisition, Collective Bargaining and Current Litigation** was made by Trustee Weidman. Mr. Porter called the roll  
Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 9:33 a.m.

Begin Executive Session: 9:36 a.m.

End Executive Session: 10:52 a.m.

Back in regular session: 10:53 a.m.

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

End regular session: 10:53 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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