

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

September 19, 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. Mr. Robert Butler joined the executive session at 9:45am.

Nuisance Property Resolution

Mr. Bickford reported this would be moved to later in the agenda to accommodate other resolutions.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny reported that the six new full time firefighters are on shift and as a result, Medic 292 is available on more shifts to make runs. The Chief also reported that he is meeting with Medicount on new ideas to increase EMS revenue.

Mr. Bickford reported that union negotiations will begin in November.

Sheriff's Department Update

Lt. Smith reported that there is a benefit to raise money for former District 3 and Township Deputy Mike Ware on December 9th.

Lt. Smith also stated that the DARE graduation for All Saints School will take place on November 17th.

Lt. Smith reported that the Sherriff's Office is working on the parking issues in Dillonvale with respect to Deer Park Auto. Mr. Bickford referenced the injunction against Deer Park Auto and said he will forward the information on to Lt. Smith.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that the 2017 Luminaria event will take place on December 9th noting he is working with IGA and other potential sponsors.

Maintenance Update

Mr. Kellums reported that the Donna Lane project is almost finished and it already is a big improvement. The Galbraith Road project is still waiting on Duke Energy to drop the lines and remove the poles. All overhead lines have been de-energized. The Township is hopeful that paving can take place this year, but it is looking unlikely.

Mr. Kellums reported that a petition is being circulated for a temporary road closure at Tenderfoot and McCauly. The neighbors involved decided to remove the other options that were presented in favor of attempting to get 70% approval for the temporary closure.

Mr. Bishop suggested that a letter be sent to all residents in the subdivision explaining all five options instead of just the one selected by a small group.

Mr. Weidman suggested that the letter include information from the County Engineer's office noting their belief that a traffic light is not warranted at Conrey and Fields Ertel roads despite a traffic study that shows the contrary.

Mr. Kellums reported that a contract is being prepared for Dennis Zaccardi & Associates, LLC for right-of-way negotiations for the Sycamore Road project. Mr. Kellums suggested that the Board come up with a pre-approved amount in order to move the project forward.

Finally, Mr. Kellums noted that the next phase of the Montgomery Road sidewalk engineering was underway.

Quantum TIF Extension Resolution

The resolution "Amending Resolution 88-71, Declaring to be a Public Purpose Additional Public Improvements Which are Necessary for the Further Development of the Quantum Chemical Corporation Project" 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. 2017-102 passed this 19th day of September, 2017.

Mr. Miller explained that this resolution will be sent with the proposed extension resolution to the school boards and County Commissioners. The extension resolution will be presented at the October 19th meeting.

Document Management

Mr. Bickford stated this resolution will be presented at the Trustee's Meeting on Thursday.

Upcoming Public Hearings

The resolution "Providing For and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 7321 Hosbrook Road, Sycamore Township, OH 45243" 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. 2017-103 passed this 19th day of September, 2017.

Mr. Bickford reported that the Kugler Mill nuisance property hearing is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Thursday. The property owner has indicated he plans to attend the hearing and will present a plan for its abatement.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

Cystic Fibrosis	Golf Outing Proceeds 2017	\$8,846.06
LSQ Funding Group	Temporary Help	\$14,096.00
Blanket Vendor	Cost for New Full Time Employees	\$45,000.00

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

Schedule

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

A motion to enter into **Executive Session to discuss Ongoing Litigation** was made by Trustee Weidman. Mr. Porter called the roll. Vote: Weidman: Aye; Bishop: Aye; Connor: Aye.

End regular session: 9:37 a.m.

Begin Executive Session: 9:47 a.m.

End Executive Session: 10:18 a.m.

Back in regular session: 10:18 a.m.

Mr. Weidman noted that there would not be a quorum for the October 5th meeting. Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor to move the regularly scheduled Trustee's Meeting to October 4th at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Porter called the roll. All voted yes.

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

End regular session: 10:19 a.m.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Greg Bickford, Administrator

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