

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

October 31, 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, Zoning Administrator Holbert Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Smith of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

Nuisance Resolution

The resolution "Providing For and Authorizing Weed Cutting and Debris Removal, Declaring a Nuisance for the Property Located at 12093 6th Avenue, 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. 2017-121 passed this 31st day of October, 2017.

Mr. Holbert reported that the utility pole in front of Jewish Hospital is in the process of being removed by Duke.

Mr. Weidman stated he has received complaints on 6th and Park Avenue in High Point about many vehicles and people living there. Mr. Holbert stated he will investigate.

Fire Department Update

Chief Penny informed the Board the monthly reports will be available Thursday night.

He also reported that the crews will be out on Halloween with the vehicles in the neighborhoods.

Sheriff's Department Update

Lt. Smith reported that there will be extra deputies out on Halloween night handing out candy as in years past.

Lt. Smith reported on the arrest of Delbert Barrant for the burglary at 7540 Montgomery Road. He also reported on a bank robbery at Union Savings bank earlier this week. He stated they are pursuing leads at this time noting the response time to the incident was one minute.

Lt. Smith presented data on crashes at Wexford and Wicklow Avenues stating there has been six at that intersection in the past five years.

Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. McKeown reported that the park fields are closing for the season and will re-open in March. He also reported that Luminaria will be held December 9th and that the 2018 Festival in Sycamore is scheduled for July 13-14.

Maintenance Update

Mr. Kellums reported that Prus Construction is wrapping up curb work on Millview. He also stated that Dennis Zaccardi is meeting with property owners on Sycamore Road about the right-of-way acquisition. Finally, Mr. Kellums reported that leaf pickup is in full swing and the rest of the maintenance crews are working on catch basin repairs.

Energy Special Improvement District – Kenwood Terrace

Mr. Bickford reported that the ESID legislation will be ready for Thursday provided that the lender and property owner complete their agreement.

Proposed Hamilton County Five Dollar Additional Motor Vehicle Tax

Mr. Bickford reported on a communication from the Hamilton County Commissioners Office about a public hearing on a proposed \$5 increase to the license plate fee. The proposal would be used to fund road and bridge projects with the bulk of the money being redirected to the reconstruction of the Western Hills Viaduct. He noted that the County Engineer is also proposing bridge work to be done throughout the County. None of the bridges listed are in Sycamore Township.

Upcoming Public Hearings

Mr. Bickford reported that the public hearing for the New England Court addition will take place Thursday at 6:45 p.m. In addition, the public hearing for the Drake Motel property is tentatively scheduled for November 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Purchase Orders over \$2,500

Mr. Bickford presented the following purchase orders for approval:

The Huntington National Bank	Kemper/Goldcoast Principal & Interest	\$151,000.00
TEC Engineering, Inc.	Kenwood Towne Center Maintenance	\$3,000.00
The Scott E. Wardell Revocable	Easement for Sycamore Rd Improvement	\$2,718.00

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

Schedule

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

Mr. Miller asked when the next scheduled CIC meeting would be held so that the 2017 Grant Program can be authorized. Mr. Bickford stated it would be the last meeting in December at a time to be announced, most likely 6:45 p.m.

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

End regular session: 9:34 a.m.

Begin Executive Session: 9:35 a.m.

End Executive Session: 9:42 a.m.

Back in regular session: 9:43 a.m.

Mr. Bishop made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to authorize Mr. Miller to settle the imminent Board of Zoning Appeals litigation for Case SYCB170010.

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

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

End regular session: 9:44 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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