

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

July 17, 2014

The Public Hearing for the 2015 Budget was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Porter distributed the 2015 Budget for Trustee review. Mr. Porter noted the Township received \$2 million in Estate Tax revenue in 2013. 2014 Estate Tax revenue is estimated at \$250,000, and in 2015 it will be zero. The debt schedule is included in the budget.

Mr. Al Early, resident, inquired about the general account and changes in other expenses.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:55 p.m.

Cliff W. Bishop, President

Dennis W. Connor, Vice President

Thomas J. Weidman, Trustee

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bishop.

The invocation from St. Vincent Ferrer Church was read by Trustee Connor.

Pledge to the Flag.

Present for the meeting were President Bishop, Vice President Connor, Trustee Weidman, Fiscal Officer Porter, Law Director Miller, Administrator Bickford, , Fire Chief Penny and Lt. Ketteman from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Superintendent Kellums and Parks /Recreation Director McKeown were excused.

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings held June 17 and 19, and July 1, 2014 were read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, to approve these minutes. Vote: All Aye.

Mr. Mark Wellinghoff, of Brookwood Retirement Home, thanked the Sycamore Township EMS and Fire Department for their service at Brookwood. Mr. Wellinghoff also thanked Mr. McKeown for helping with rentals and park services for Brookwood residents.

Lt. Ketteman reported that the Festival in Sycamore had a good turnout with no arrests or citations. Lt. Ketteman stated that he is in the process of going through the schools with the other officers to get to know the layouts. Vice President Connor told Lt. Ketteman he appreciated the presence of the Sheriff's Department at the Festival.

Chief Penny reported on an incident at a Shell gas station and a house fire on Queens Avenue. Chief Penny informed the Trustees that the final inspection on the new ambulance had been completed and it was scheduled for delivery at 9:30 a.m. on July 18, 2014. He stated that the extra equipment would be installed in house.

Mr. Bickford reported on behalf of Mr. McKeown that the Festival went well. Trustee Weidman commented that the event was great and thanked all involved.

Mr. Bickford presented purchase orders for the following change orders on behalf of Mr. Kellums:

Bansil Construction	Hosbrook/Montgomery Roads Utility Project	\$8,581.49
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Mr. Weidman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to direct Mr. Miller to prepare a resolution approving the change order. Vote: All Aye

Pavement Management	Parking Lot Repairs	\$4,162.00
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Mr. Weidman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connor, to direct Mr. Miller to prepare a resolution approving the change order. Vote: All Aye

Law Director Miller reported the Township had closed on all three properties needed for the Kenwood Access Road and there were a few minor changes that Mr. Miller would make to the documents.

Mr. Miller stated that the Maintenance crews were doing a good job in his neighborhood with curb repair.

Mr. Bickford reported that the public hearing for TriHealth's request for temporary signage would be on August 7th at either 6:30 or 6:45 p.m. Mr. Bickford informed the Trustees that construction had begun on the hotel on Ronald Reagan Drive and that it was projected to be completed in August, 2015.

Mr. Bickford reported that Duke Energy had submitted the billing authorization for the second Montgomery Road Underground project in the amount of \$225,000. A resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

The resolution "Adopting the Township Budget for 2015" was read. A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency. Mr. Porter called roll.

Vote: All Aye.

Resolution No. 2014-90 approved this 17th day of July, 2014.

The Receipts and Disbursements of July 17, 2014 were available in the Fiscal Officer's Office and are hereby made a part of these Minutes.

I hereby certify that the money for payment of these bills is in the fund provided and duly and properly appropriated.

Signed: _____
Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

A motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Weidman, to accept them.

Vote: All Aye.

A motion was made by Mr. Weidman, seconded by Mr. Connor, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All Aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Cliff W. Bishop, President

Dennis W. Connor, Vice President

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