

**RESOLUTION G2017-028**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH CINCINNATI BELL FOR TELEPHONES, MONTHLY SERVICE AND INTERNET IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,761.00 PER MONTH FOR A TERM OF 60 MONTHS AND A ONE-TIME FEE OF \$2,750.00 FOR INSTALLATION COSTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Trustees have determined that the telephone system and internet needs to be updated to provide better communication amongst all the employees and the public as the telephones no longer have a maintenance agreement and are no longer serviceable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township shares a Fire Department with the City of Loveland who receives their telephone service through Cincinnati Bell as well and all four of the fire stations (2 of which are located in Symmes Township and 2 in Loveland) need to be able to communicate with each other as well as the with the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administrator and Public Works Director looked at multiple vendors and have recommended Cincinnati Bell to not only provide the monthly service but telephones and internet accessibility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Trustees feel that it is in their best interest to provide clear communication between all the employees, its contractors and to the residents through improved speeds for the internet connection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administrator has reviewed this cost and finds that it is a reasonable expense and will increase our communications between township buildings and with the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Symmes Township participates in the Ohio State Term Contract program therefore the Township would not be required to bid out the equipment or service to multiple vendors; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Trustees have agreed to update the telephone and internet services and contract with Cincinnati Bell to provide those services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio:

**Section 1.** The Symmes Township Trustees hereby authorizes the Township Administrator to sign a contract with Cincinnati Bell for Telephones, Monthly Service and Internet in an amount not to initially exceed \$2,761.00 per month.

**Section 2.** The funds for this shall be allocated from the General Fund (#01), Parks Fund (#12), and Safety Services Fund (#20).

**Section 3.** The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to make payment to Cincinnati Bell monthly in an amount not to exceed \$2,761.00 per month upon receipt of the invoice and a one-time fee for installation in the amount of \$2,750.00 which shall be paid from the General Fund (#01).

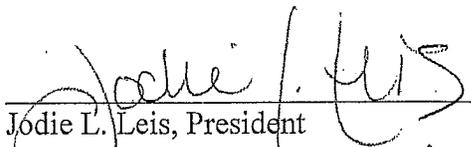
**Section 4.** Upon majority vote does hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days and hereby authorizes the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.

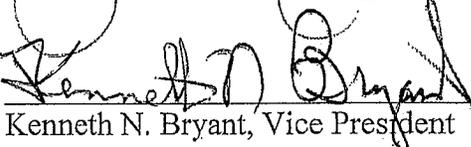
**Section 5.** This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

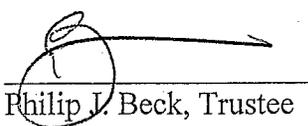
**ADOPTED JUNE 6, 2017 – RESOLUTION G2017-028**

Vote Record: Ms. Leis WY Mr. Bryant AYE Mr. Beck AYE

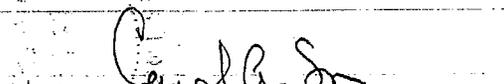
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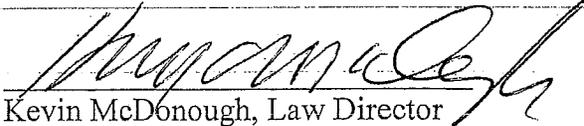
  
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Kenneth N. Bryant, Vice President

  
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Philip J. Beck, Trustee

**ATTEST:**

  
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Carol A. Sims, Fiscal Officer

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Kevin McDonough, Law Director