
MINUTES OF SYMMES TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

MAY 5, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.. Elected officials present were: Mr. Phil Beck, Mr. Kenneth Bryant, Mrs. Jodie Leis, and Ms. Carol Sims.

Also present: Robert Malloy - Township Law Director; Bill Pitman - Director of Public Works; Lt. Chris Ketteman - Hamilton County Sheriff's Department; Otto Huber - Chief, Loveland Symmes Fire Department.

PRESENTATIONS

The Board presented Certificates of Recognition to the Loveland High School Choice - Allure, the Loveland Middle School Choir - Revolution and the Loveland High School Choir - By Request.

The Board presented Autumn Binford with a Certificate of Recognition for her commitment and dedication to enhance safety in the community. Ms. Binford obtained a grant for the installation of a crosswalk at the entrance of the Home of the Brave Park to Symmes Park.

TODD KINSKEY, HAMILTON COUNTY ZONING - Provided the Board with an overview of the Hamilton County Community Development Program. Mr. Kinskey stated it is hoped that the Township will re-join this program and noted that Symmes is the only township not participating.

Mr. Kinskey provided information regarding the Community Block Program and reviewed the various projects funded in 2014. One important program would be the housing repair service which could be offer to qualifying residents through People Working Cooperatively (PWC).

MR. BRYANT questioned if only those residents in the designated area would be eligibile.

MR. KINSKEY advised that any household in Symmes Township would qualify if they meet the criteria.

MRS. LEIS questioned if PWC would assist residents if Symmes Township does not join.

MR. KINSKEY stated PWC could not use the County program funds for that purpose;

however, the group might attempt to find other funding sources in order to help.

MR. BECK questioned when the County needs a decision from Symmes.

MR. KINSKEY stated the County would need to know by mid-June. The Board would need to take action to "opt out" of the program if the Township did not wish to participate. The effective date would be March 1, 2016.

MRS. LEIS questioned if there was any downsize for being in this program.

MR. KINSKEY stated there is a perceived issue that a community would have to accept public housing developments. However, in a built-out community like Symmes, there is very limited area that could be utilize for this purpose.

MR. BRYANT questioned if there was any cost to the Township.

MR. KINSKEY advised there is no cost.

The Board thanked Mr. Kinskey for this information.

RECEIPTS

Receipts totaling \$282,205.31 were read and accepted:

20178 Ham Cty Auditor	1-P	7,221.79
20179 Osterwisch	1-N	838.00
20180 Cantrell Fence	1-L	130.00
20181 S. Fredrick	1-L	130.00
20182 Clerk of Courts	9-F	25.00
20183 Ann Young	1-P	50.00
20184 A. Nalyackie	12-D	100.00
20185 Hearthstone	1-P	300.00
20186 PNC Bank	1-I,2-C,3-C,6-C,23-B	13,717.98
20187 Jeff Stewart	1-L	130.00
20188 A. Bennett	12-D	100.00
20189 Shiv Hospitality	1-E	2,904.65
20190 Ohio BWC	1-N	223.41
20191 T. Schroeder	12-D	100.00
20192 SORTA	1-P	250.00
20193 Golden Signs	1-L	203.83
20194 Carrera Const.	1-L	115.00
20195 PNC Bank	1-I	119.37
20196 Lisa Karmski	12-D	150.00
20197 Anthony Kruse	12-D	70.00
20198 Sign Connection	1-L	229.75
20199 Ruchi Mess	1-L	155.00

20200 Deerfield Const.	1-L	1,200.00
20201 Khan Signs	1-L	155.00
20202 Ken Hofer	12-D	85.00
20203 S. Cain	12-D	150.00
20204 Ham Cty Auditor	23-C	4,033.60
20205 Ham Cty Auditor	2-A	1,460.34
20206 Ham Cty Auditor	1-D,3-B	12,644.87
20207 Ham Cty Auditor	14-AD	64,442.68
20208 MEMO		
20209 Ham Cty Auditor	7-A	47,756.23
20210 MEMO		
20211 Ham Cty Auditor	1-A,10-A,14-A, 9-A,20-A,12-AB,4-A, 11-A,12-A	65,964.69
20212 MEMO		
20213 MEMO		
20214 MEMO		
20215 Tufts Funeral Home	5-D	754.00
20216 Brater Funeral Home	5-A	900.00
20217 Kurt Aver	1-L	130.00
20218 Brookstone Homes	1-L	190.00
20219 Nancy Oppito	12-D	150.00
20220 K.B. Global	12-D	150.00
20221 S. Diloreto	12-D	40.00
20222 Carol Sims	12-D	150.00
20223 Beth Harper	12-D	150.00
20224 Kathy Key	12-D	100.00
20225 Jeff Mears	1-L	130.00
20226 Mary Goodale	1-L	130.00
20227 CUC	1-L	375.00
20228 Martha Nash	12-D	100.00
20229 Maria Palacios	12-D	100.00
20230 Cash Sale	1-P	107.80
20231 B. Goldstein	12-D	100.00
20232 S. Sizkov	5-C	650.00
20233 OTARMA	1-N	99.00
20234 Naylor Engineering	1-L	130.00
20235 Henderson Music	1-L	115.00
20236 Batesville Monument	5-D	291.20
20237 OTARMA	1-N	5,345.98
20238 Angela Pointe	1-L	130.00
20239 Medicount	28-A,14-C	26,055.84
20240 JRK Property	9-F	150.00
20241 Patrick O'Keefe	12-D	150.00
20242 Nathan Ray	12-D	85.00
20243 Paul Kim	12-D	70.00

20244 Cinti Hort. Society	1-P	90.35
20245 Kentucky Hotels	1-E	1,902.61
20246 Ham Cty Auditor	3-A	7,369.94
20247 J. Sedzoi	1-L	1,840.00
20248 C&M Woodcrafters	1-L	260.00
20249 Ralph Opp	12-D	40.00
20250 Daniel Beck	1-P	10.00
20251 S. Karnati	12-D	100.00
20252 J. Ashbrook	12-D	40.00
20253 Jason Peters	12-D	70.00
20254 M. Finley	12-D	85.00
20255 Lisa Zimmers	12-D	100.00
20256 PNG Telecomm.	12-D	100.00
20257 Francis Pope	12-D	100.00
20258 Sheila Barnes	12-D	85.00
20259 M. Fahlbusch	12-D	40.00
20260 Tia Kuchik	12-D	150.00
20261 Cinti Bell	1-T	7,637.40
	TOTAL \$	282,205.31

WARRANTS

MR. BECK moved that the Township pay its bills. Mrs. Leis seconded the motion and all voted 'aye'. Proper certification having been made, warrants totaling \$428,448.86 were issued:

64511 OPERS	1-A-1,1-A-2A,1-B-1 4-B-1,5-A-2,1-A-12, 4-A-2,5-A-3	13,081.97
64512 OPERS	1-A-1,1-A-2A,1-B-1 4-B-1,5-A-2,1-A-12, 4-A-2, 5-A-3	395.52
64513 VOID		
64514 OPERS	1-A-1,1-A-2A,1-B-1, 4-B-1,5-A-2,1-A-12, 4-A-2, 5-A-3	1,494.98
64515 Compass Minerals	3-B-2	11,449.54
64516 Smyth Auto.	2-A-7	79.89
64517 Best One Tire	2-A-7	49.50
64518 Shell Oil	3-A-5	49.94
64519 Cinti Bell	10-A-7	222.69
64520 DJL Material	3-B-2	6,507.00
64521 Kleem	3-A-10	1,800.00
64522 Beth. Health	1-A-26	37.92
64523 Cintas	1-B-8	83.59
64524 Rumpke	1-A-26,9-A-13,1-B-4,	

	12-A-3,10-A-7	587.40
64525 Print Mgt	1-A-26	4,424.33
64526 Marsh Bldg	12-A-3	649.07
64527 Medical Mutual	1-A-26	17,260.12
64528 Kleem	3-A-10	624.88
64529 Business Card	12-A-8	47.23
64530 E. Knollman	23-A-9	102.00
64531 Buchanan's	12-A-7	410.69
64532 Cinti Bell	12-A-3	32.02
64533 Thy. Elevator	20-A-6	253.50
64534 Carol Sims	1-A-3	18.99
64535 Jani-King	20-A_6,9-A-14	784.00
64536 Clarke	10-A-10	859.23
64537 Nick's Towing	10-A-10	375.00
64538 ICRC	1-A-26	20,773.09
64539 Wood & Lamping	1-A-10	2,010.75
64540 Careworks	1-A-10	1,709.00
64541 Cinti Water	12-A-3	271.41
64542 Swank Pictures	12-A-8	802.00
64543 Johnson Elec.	14-A_8,20-A-6	80.89
64544 Business Card	1-A-26	270.76
64545 Home Depot	3-B-2	318.72
64546 Duke	12-A-3	528.79
64547 LA Supply	1-A-26	1,200.00
64548 Cinti Bell	9-A-13,10-A-7	713.44
64549 Duke	12-A-3	502.25
64550 Cinti Bell	12-A-3	25.26
64551 Buchanan's	12-A-7	13.95
64552 Palmer Trucks	14-A-6	57.49
64553 Duke	12-A-3	258.84
64554 Cinti Bell	1-B-4	364.88
64555 Tractor Supply	12-A-7	89.99
64556 Brian Elliff	1-A-2A	2,057.74
64557 Luanne Felter	1-A-2A	1,498.10
64558 Jana Grant	1-A-2A	999.82
64559 J. Andrews	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	1,217.73
64560 W. Burns	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	1,624.92
64561 Ed Dawes	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	532.87
64562 D. Heider	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	1,770.17
64563 J. Iles	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	1,226.10
64564 R. Jackson	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	1,416.75
64565 D. Martin	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	453.80
64566 B. Pitman	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	2,091.57
64567 M. Rose	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	826.69
64568 Brent Scott	1-B-1,1-D-1,12-A-1,4-B-1	1,200.52
64569 R. Williams	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	621.40

64570 Defer Comp	1-A-1,1-A-2A,1-B-1,5-A-3 4-B-1,5-A-2,1-A-12,4-A-2	2,675.00
64571 PNC Bank	1-A-1,1-A-2,5-A-2,1-A-26 1-A-2A,1-B-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	4,003.64
64572 Duke	7-A-1	47.23
64573 Duke	7-A-1	415.59
64574 Duke	7-A-1	2,040.57
64575 Duke	7-A-1	3,626.00
64576 PNC - HRA	1-A-6	1,588.70
64577 Aero Oil	14-A-6	66.20
64578 Palmer Trucks	14-A-6	102.25
64579 Accountemps	1-A-2B	498.91
64580 Y2K	20-A-8,12-A-9,5-A-11	2,428.00
64581 Duke	7-A-1	4,134.72
64582 Duke	7-A-1	1,900.01
64583 Cinti Bell	10-A-7	440.00
64584 Bill Pitman	1-A-3	35.00
64585 A-1 Appliance	14-A-8	79.95
64586 Stiger Supply	12-A-6,23-A-9	586.64
64587 Norwood Hardware	20-A-6	16.00
64588 Postmaster	1-A-26	300.00
64589 Evans Landscaping	12-A-4	52.00
64590 Mason Fasteners	3-A-10,2-A-7	286.45
64591 Sam's	10-A-15	71.76
64592 Sam's	14-A-8,1-A-26,23-A-9 12-A-6,1-B-8	140.92
64593 Lykins Oil	3-A-5	258.38
64594 Cinti Bell	12-A-3	131.24
64595 Duke	10-A-7	1,149.37
64596 HCRPC	1-J-3	4,454.44
64597 NE Comm	10-A-11,14-A-7, 9-A-10	14,964.00
64598 Cintas	1-B-8	83.59
64599 Unifirst	1-B-8	73.53
64600 Full Gospel	12-A-8	100.00
64601 Wood & Lamping	1-A-10	8,018.55
64602 Johnson Elec.	1-B-8	120.28
64603 Sutphen	10-A-10	183.44
64604 Castrucci Ford	10-A-10	109.95
64605 Dorn's	1-A-5	69.00
64606 Ferguson	12-A-4	481.94
64607 VOID		
64608 Batteries Plus	9-A-9,1-B-8	68.94
64609 Time Warner	1-B-4	79.95
64610 Superamerica	9-A-8	2,736.92
64611 Duke	1-E-1	1,332.01

64612 Dental Care	1-A-6	1,163.60
64613 Cintas	1-B-8	83.59
64614 Ace Exterm.	12-A-3	145.60
64615 Burnham & Flowers	1-A-6	45.00
64616 Cinti Bell LD	1-B-4,10-A-7	51.72
64617 Enquirer	1-A-26	48.50
64618 Duke	10-A-7	4.18
64619 Accountemps	1-A-2B	530.75
64620 Hotsy Equip.	1-B-7	80.96
64621 Bound Tree	14-A-5	1,321.72
64622 ISG Infrays	10-A-10	450.00
64623 Smyth Auto.	14-A-6	9.66
64624 Concrete Renewal	12-A-4	2,500.00
64625 Jones Fish	12-A-4	200.00
64626 Business Card	1-B-8	1,762.50
64627 D. Heider	12-A-4	89.42
64628 D. Heider	1-A-26	175.00
64629 B. Pitman	1-A-26	175.00
64630 W. Burns	1-A-26	175.00
64631 Grainger	12-A-8	259.40
64632 Johnson Elec.	1-B-8,14-A-8,20-A-6	359.67
64633 Tractor Supply	12-A-8	160.66
64634 Tractor Supply	12-A-8,12-A-5,3-A-4	88.74
64635 Staples	1-A-4	265.39
64636 Fuelman	3-A-5	1,025.98
64637 Advantage Signs	12-A-8	140.00
64638 Silco Fire	10-A-10	220.00
64639 Arrow Int'l	14-A-5	1,108.31
64640 Sears	3-A-10,3-A-4	100.21
64641 Y2K	20-A-8,12-A-9,5-A-11	4,856.00
64642 Symmes Fire	14-A-4	2,259.96
64643 Symmes Fire	10-A-10	192.28
64644 Thys. Elevator	20-A-6	294.71
64645 Home Depot	3-B-2	125.12
64646 Home Depot	12-A-4	146.43
64647 Accountemps	1-A-2B	424.60
64648 Brian Elliff	1-A-2A	2,057.74
64649 Luanne Felter	1-A-2A	1,387.94
64650 Jana Grant	1-A-2A	999.82
64651 J. Andrews	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	1,351.98
64652 W. Burns	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	1,494.24
64653 Ed Dawes	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	589.10
64654 D. Heider	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	1,619.03
64655 J. Iles	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	1,193.22
64656 R. Jackson	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	1,367.66
64657 D. Martin	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	453.80

64658 B.Pitman	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	2,017.81
64659 M. Rose	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	755.88
64660 Brent Scott	1-B-1,1-D-1,12-A-1,4-B-1	1,164.24
64661 R. Williams	1-B-1,12-A-1,1-D_1,4-B-1	694.70
64662 PNC Bank	1-A-1,1-A-2,5-A-2,1-A-26 1-A-2A,1-B-1,1-D-1,4-B-1	3,866.94
64663 Defer Comp	1-A-1,1-A-2A,1-B-1,5-A-3 4-B-1,5-A-2,1-A-12,4-A-2	2,675.00
64664 Loveland	12-A-3	335.16
64665 Sprint	10-A-7	62.10
64666 Reliance Life	1-A-6	616.91
64667 Loveland	1-B-4	84.90
64668 Superamerica	3-A-5	895.23
64669 Mullins Maint.	1-B-2	452.50
64670 Discount Drainage	3-B-2	298.00
64671 Kleem	12-A-4	293.84
64672 Johnson Elec.	12-A-4	173.25
64673 Accountemps	1-A-2B	530.75
64674 Comm. Center	10-A_11,14-A-7, 9-A-10	1,831.50
64675 Staples	1-A-4	9.99
64676 Buchanan's	12-A-7	285.90
64677 Unifirst	1-B-8	73.53
64678 Rumpke	12-A-3	350.00
64679 Duke	9-A-13,10-A-7	2,046.78
64680 Holle Elec.	12-A-4	120.00
64681 Medical Mutual	1-A-6	17,260.12
64682 Ace Exterm.	10-A-7,12-A-3,1-B-4	200.80
64683 Duke	1-B-4	351.51
64684 Duke	12-A-3	1,322.60
64685 Verizon	9-A-13	30.65
64686 Cintas	1-B-8	83.59
64687 Duke	1-B-4,5-A-12	535.56
64688 Verizon	10-A-7	160.60
64689 KB Global	12-A-8	150.00
64690 Holle Elec.	12-A-4	120.00
64691 Hobart	20-A-6	231.25
64692 Duke	12-A-3	348.32
64693 OH Treasurer	1-A-19	45.10
64694 Duke	10-A-7,12-A-3,20-A-8	39.93
64695 State of Ohio	1-A-1,1-A-2,1-A-2A,1-B-1, 1-D-1,4-B-1,5-A-2	114.55
64696 State of Ohio	1-A-1,1-A-2,1-A-2A,1-B-1 1-D-1,4-B-1,5-A-2	267.42
64697 State of Ohio	1-A-1,1-A-2,1-A-2A,1-B-1, 1-D-1,4-B-1,5-A-2	3,536.00

64698 Symmes Fire	10-A_11,14-A-7, 20-A-7	180,800.00
64699 Symmes Fire	10-A-11	500.00
	TOTAL	\$ 428,448.86

REPORTS

ROBERT MALLOY - Questioned if the Board would be willing to have other associates from the firm to attend future meetings to provide updates on current issues. The Board had no objection.

OTHER - MRS. LEIS stated she would like the Township to consider a dog area at the Hopewell Park. Mrs. Leis noted it would be important to get input from the residents.

MRS. LEIS advised she has been looking at other places and stated she would like to change the name in Symmes Park to "Bark Park" and would also like to hold some evening "Bark in the Park" events.

The Board had no objection to looking into these items.

MRS. LEIS stated she would like to form a walking club on Wednesday evenings. Mrs. Leis noted there might be a small cost in order to promote this club.

The Board had no objection.

MR. PITMAN noted the first Clean-Up Day is scheduled for May 16 at Hopewell Park.

Mr. Pitman advised the Township has been awarded a grant from the State of Ohio in the amount of \$19,340.47 for the purchase of signage such as stop signs, speed limit signs, etc. on Township roadways. The Township should receive these funds by July 1.

HEARING FROM RESIDENTS

D'ARCY HAVILL, 9976 LINCOLN ROAD (45111) - Spoke about a recent truck accident on Glendale Milford Road in Camp Dennison and noted that the majority of residents in this area are very concern about the speed and other dangerous situations along this roadway.

Mr. Havill stated that he felt there is not the same amount of patrols in Camp Dennison as there has been in the past. Mr. Havill advised he has reviewed the traffic citation reports for the last six months. These reports reflected 53 citations on Loveland Madeira Road, 123 on Montgomery Road and 99 on I-71 and I-275. There was only 1 citation issued in the Camp Dennison area. Mr. Havill stated he was not sure why the Township would be patrolling along I-71 and I-275.

Mr. Havill reviewed other various problem areas along Glendale Milford Road.

LT. KETTEMAN - Agreed the speed limit may be higher than needed. However, there are not a large number of calls in this area of the Township. Lt. Ketteiman stated his officers are in the Camp Dennison area; however, he is also required to patrol the other portions of the Township and there are limited resources.

MR. BECK questioned if there were any options to change this to a neighborhood speed zone.

MR. BRYANT stated the problem is that the State controls the speed limit on this road.

MR. PITMAN stated he has spoken with Mr. Havill regarding these issues. It would be nice to get the other communities along this route to partner with Symmes on a request to the State.

MR. BECK questioned about the availability of getting a flashing speed sign installed at both ends of the Camp Dennison area.

MR. PITMAN stated the Board could apply for a grant.

MR. HAVILL agreed that flashing speed signs would be beneficial and suggested the possibility of a flashing crosswalk.

MR. BECK agreed there is a number of different elements which could be considered in reducing the speed limit.

MR. BRYANT stated the Township should consider requesting the State to complete a survey in this area.

MR. HAVILL questioned what the next step would be on this issue.

MR. PITMAN indicated he would contact the other communities to see there is any interest in working with the Township in making contact with the State to reduce the speed limit.

The Board thanked Mr. Havill for his presentation and information.

MR. BECK stated the Township should continue working with the State on this speed issue, as well as with District 8 on the road conditions.

CORRESPONDENCE

HAMILTON COUNTY ENGINEER - Executed Agreement for Lebanon Road crosswalk.

STATE TREASURER - Letter regarding OhioCheckbook.com.

HAMILTON COUNTY STORM WATER - Letter regarding 2016 fees.

DINSMORE SHOHL - Update on TIF issue.

cc:HAMILTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT to PHIL BECK - e-mail regarding Community Block Grant Program.

cc:HAMILTON COUNTY ZONING to CAROL SIMS - e-mail regarding Ernest Concrete property.

cc:DAVID DUCKWORTH to PHIL BECK - e-mail regarding Administrator's position.

KELSEY KOFFEL - e-mail regarding volunteer opportunities.

LT. KETTEMAN - March reports.

HAMILTON COUNTY AUDITOR - Amended Certificate of Resources and Certificate of Appropriations

SYMMES FIRE DEPT. - Letter regarding 9569 Union Cemetery.

D'ARCY HAVILL - Follow-up e-mail to recent Records Request.

BURNHAM & FLOWERS - e-mail advising Brian Elliff would not be eligible to COBRA coverage.

HAMILTON COUNTY AUDITOR - Notice of 2016 General Health fee - \$36,157.99.

LAUREN SAXON - e-mail regarding volunteer opportunities.

MEDICOUNT MANAGEMENT - Notice of request received for financial consideration of billing.

WILLIAMS ESQ. - Postcards regarding class action against Duke Energy.

PERSO - Acknowledgement of claim filed by Holly Costanzo.

OHIO JOB & FAMILY SERVICES - Request of information regarding claim filed by Brian Elliff

SCHROEDER, ESQ. - e-mail regarding Klekamp appeal.

HAMILTON COUNTY ENGINEER - Letter regarding streets in Hearthstone Estates Block B subdivision.

OTARMA - Endorsement reflecting removal of Chapelsquare property from insurance policy.

HAMILTON COUNTY BUILDING DEPT - Letter regarding 9569 Union Cemetery Road.

STEVE TRANTER - e-mail notification that demolition at 7960 Camp Road has been completed.

SYMMES FIRE DEPT. - Copy of updated Hamilton County Mutual Aid Agreement.

WOOD & LAMPING - e-mail regarding unemployment compensation.

cc:HAMILTON COUNTY ZONING to MANLEY BURKE - Response to Public Records request for 8151 Glendale Milford Road.

HAMILTON COUNTY ENGINEER - Letter regarding streets in Hearthstone Estates.

OTARMA - Letter regarding insurance program.

CANTRELL FENCE - Proposal for repair of damage to fence in Camp Dennison Cemetery.

KARL HORTON - e-mail regarding site for outdoor wedding in Symmes Park.

CLAIRE CASTILLO - e-mail regarding website.

LAURA McKELL - e-mail regarding dog park at Hopewell Park.

M. DONALDSON - e-mail regarding website.

B. JEWELL - e-mail regarding Safety Town for children in Symmes Township.

H. GREGORY - Proposal for replacement of roof for service buildings.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board agreed there is a need to hold a work session on a property maintenance code for Symmes Township.

MR. BECK noted that there are some other communities willing to meet with the Board to discuss their Property Maintenance Codes. Mr. Beck stated he felt it was important to hear from these entities.

Mr. Beck moved to hold a work session on the proposed property maintenance code on May 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Administrator Building. Mrs. Leis seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. PITMAN presented a proposed landscaping plan for the area at the intersection of Loveland Madeira and Hopewell Roads. Mr. Pitman noted these are the same type trees recently planted in Camp Dennison. This property is owned by Hamilton County and they

have given permission as long as there is nothing planted within the right-of-way. The estimated cost is \$8,000.00. This would be make this a more attractive entryway into the Township.

MRS. LEIS questioned the next step.

MR. PITMAN noted proposals could be requested for the work.

The Board agreed to continue this discussion to the June meeting.

MR. PITMAN reviewed proposed signage for entryways. This is for the co-signage for Symmes and Loveland which would be installed at I-275 and Loveland Madeira.

MR. BECK noted that Loveland has agreed to pay 75% of the cost, with the Township providing the maintenance.

The Board had no objection to the proposal and directed Mr. Pitman to forward to the City of Loveland for its review and approval.

MS. SIMS questioned if there would be a formal agreement with the City of Loveland regarding this plan.

The Board agreed to place this on the June agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

MR. BRYANT suggested the Board should learn why previous "opt-out" townships are now part of the program.

MRS. LEIS stated she would like to make contact with other communities regarding their participation in the Community Development Program and advised she would have a report at the next meeting.

The Board agreed to continue this agenda item to the June meeting.

MR. BECK moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION P2015-01B

Resolution Rescinding Resolution P-0002

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio adopted Resolution P-0002 on January 11, 2000 to provide an additional fringe benefit for a selected class of employees identified as "Township Administrator"; and

WHEREAS, Resolution P-0002 provided that the statutorily required contributions

to the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio shall be picked up and paid as a fringe benefit for the Township Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, has reviewed said policy and now wishes to consider the approval of this type of fringe benefit on an individual basis.

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

Section 1. Hereby rescinds Resolution P-0002 - Resolution Authorizing Symmes Township to Pick Up the Statutorily Required Contribution to the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio for the Township Administrator of Symmes Township Pursuant to O.R.C. Section 414(H)(2).

Section 2. Hereby agrees that any future fringe benefit to provide for the pick-up of the statutorily required contribution to the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio for a Township Administrator shall be considered on an individual basis and enabling resolution adopted for said purpose.

Section 3. 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 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Section 5. Finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committee that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

MRS. LEIS seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION G2015-15

AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING A TEMPORARY ADVANCE
OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$25,000.00) DOLLARS

FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE LIGHTING ASSESSMENT FUND

WHEREAS, advances can be made from a less restricted fund to a more restrictive fund; and

WHEREAS, the Symmes Township Fiscal Officer has advised that the Lighting Assessment Fund (Fund 07) will experience a cash flow situation due to the receipt of revenue from the Hamilton County Auditor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Symmes Township Fiscal Officer has further advised that the anticipated revenue stream for the Lighting Assessment Fund (Fund 07) is sufficient to meet the budgeted expenditures for 2015 and for the repayment of this advance; and

WHEREAS, the Symmes Township Fiscal Officer is requesting a temporary advance of Twenty-Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars from the General Fund (Fund 01) to the Lighting Assessment Fund (Fund 07) until such time as the anticipated revenue is received from the Hamilton County Auditor's Office for the 2nd half real estate settlement in 2015.

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

Section 1. The Symmes Township Board of Trustees hereby authorizes a temporary advance of Twenty-Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars from the General Fund (Fund 01) to the Lighting Assessment Fund (Fund 07) with an anticipated estimated repayment date of November, 2015

Section 2. The transfer of funds from a General Fund (Fund 01) to any other fund of the Township is authorized pursuant to Section 5705.14(E) of the Ohio Revised Code and therefore this Resolution may be adopted upon a single reading and shall become effective upon the date of its adoption.

MR. BRYANT seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to accept Geromes Way, Shallow Creek Drive and Riversedge Court in Hearthstone Estates Block B Subdivision as township streets. Mrs. Leis seconded the motion.

MR. BRYANT questioned if these roadways are acceptable to the County.

MR. PITMAN advised the Township will be receiving a \$50,000.00 bond from the developer. A special fund will need to be established for the money and it can be used for any future needs, including sidewalks, for this subdivision.

The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to hire Jessica Hardin, 7931 Glendale Milford Road (45111) as part-time

seasonal worker at an hourly rate of \$11.90 effective May 11, 2015 to October 31, 2015. Mrs. Leis seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. PITMAN advised there has been several questions regarding the use of drones in the Township, especially within the parks. There are a number of opinions regarding these motorized devices, as well as a number of safety concerns and privacy issues.

Mr. Pitman questioned if the Board would consider a policy to protect the public areas and Township property. There is current policy for motorized boats, but not for these types of objects. Mr. Pitman suggested the Township contact the Ohio Township Association to determine if other entities have adopted regulations.

MS. SIMS indicated that this issue would also be addressed in proposed changes to the cemetery rules and regulations.

The Board directed Staff to research this issue for discussion at the next meeting.

MR. BECK moved to authorize the Director of Public Works to apply for the 2015 OTARMA "MORE" safety grant. Mrs. Leis seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to authorize Bill Pitman to attend the Road Weather Management class on August 20, 2015 in Lebanon, Ohio. Mr. Bryant seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to authorize David Heider to attend the Certified Playground Inspection class in Columbus, Ohio from September 29 to October 1, 2015. Mrs. Leis seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to approve:

- a. Expenditure in the amount of \$38,150.00 for the purchase of the new equipment for the new Fire pumper
- b. Expenditure in the amount of \$1,002.00 for refinish of speed trailer
- c. Expenditure in the amount of \$18,995.00 for replacement of roof on garage buildings
- d. Expenditure (Then & Now) in the amount of \$2,702.30 for emergency brake/front end repairs to T-202
- e. Expenditure (Then & Now) in the amount of \$2,322.81 for door entry system
- f. Additional expenditure (Then & Now) in the amount of \$548.10 for 2014 turn-out gear
- g. Expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 for sidewalk repairs
- h. Expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00 for 1st Quarter franchise fees

Mrs. Leis seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr.

Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. BECK moved to authorize the Hamilton County Storm Water District to assess Township property owners for the 2016 service fees. Mr. Bryant seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

MR. PITMAN advised the Township has received a request for the 2015 Harry Potter event at Chateau LaRoche. Mr. Pitman suggested that Staff, including police and fire, should meet with this group for more information.

The Board had no objection to this suggestion, as well a determination of any zoning issues.

MR. PITMAN advised he would make contact with the group.

The following cemetery deed was approved:
- Sergey Sizikov, KERR, Lot 832, Grave 7.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MR. BECK moved that the Board enter Executive Session to discuss the employment of a public employee . MR. BRYANT seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'; Mrs. Leis - 'aye'.

The meeting adjourned for Executive Session at 9:32 p.m.

The meeting reconvened from Executive Session at 10:35 p.m.

No further action was taken and the meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.