

**SAGAMORE HILLS TOWNSHIP – REGULAR**  
**Monday, November 9, 2009 – media notified**

The regular meeting was called to order by Chair Hunt at 7:00 pm. R/C Hunt-present; Snell-present; Barrett-absent; Fiscal Officer Gale-present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Chair Hunt requested the group to remain standing to reflect upon the disaster at Fort Hood by remembering the heroes including the policemen. He also suggested to reflect on Veterans Day.

Mrs. Snell moved to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular meeting held on Monday, October 13, 2009; Seconded by Mr. Hunt. R/C Vote: both in favor.

**PENDING WARRANTS**

Mrs. Snell moved to approve the Pending Warrant Report dated October 2009 in the amount of \$199,129.44. Seconded by Mr. Hunt. R/C Vote: Hunt-aye; Snell-aye; Barrett-absent.

**WEB SITE**

Mr. Hunt reported the web site statistics for October 2009 were 1,195 visitors; 901 were unique visitors; 2,648 pages were viewed.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Hunt moved to adopt **RESOLUTION 40-09** to approve a "Then and Now Certificate" for the Northfield-Macedonia Cemetery expenses. Seconded by Mrs. Snell. R/C Vote: both in favor.

Mrs. Snell made a **MOTION** to adopt **RESOLUTION 41-09** to agree to the memorandum of understanding between Summit County combined General Health District and Sagamore Hills Township for storm water services for the years 2010 through 2013. This agreement is not to exceed \$1,250 annually and \$5,000 over the four (4) year term of the contract. Seconded by Mr. Hunt. R/C Vote: both in favor.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Police Department Report**

Dispatch handled 512 calls for service. Communications Section dispatched 566 calls that include police/fire and E.M.S. Handed out 353 "Patrolled Your Area Cards." The Investigative Section received twenty (20) investigations with eighteen (18) closed. Nine (9) were closed by arrest.

One (1) Letter of Commendation was received, praising a member of the Department for the assistance that he rendered to the Sheriff's Office.

One (1) officer attended a two (2) hour training class for a Missing Persons Update Course. A Detective attended an eight (8) hour practical exercise as a member of the Summit County Child Abduction Response Team. All Police Officers completed their annual firearms qualifications.

Chief Hayes requested approval to purchase some needed equipment. Mr. Hunt made a **MOTION** to adopt **RESOLUTION 42-09** to replace two (2) in-car computers and new mounts for a total of \$8,822 and replace two (2) evidence/property keyless lockers at a cost of \$1,483. The total cost for this purchase is \$10,305. Seconded by Mrs. Snell. R/C Vote: both in favor.

**Roads**

Hunt: The Road Department ditched behind houses on Rushwood; repaired sink hole on Glen Allen Drive and Paul Pine; repaired pipe on Houghton; installed new drive pipes on Nesbitt, Inverlane and South Gannett; asphalted drive pipes on Sagamore Road, Inverlane, Glen Allen, and sidewalk by food stand in park and North Boyden.

Aerated ball fields in park and Township; cleaned bathrooms in park; mowed lawns; pulled weeds; filled chuck hole around park; cleaned equipment; changed oil in Toro and John Deere gator; and sharpened blades and greased mowers.

Installed new wire underground for lights at Safety Center; and changed oil in pickup and Township car.

### **Fire/EMS**

Risko: Both Townships had 109 total runs; Northfield Center 42 EMS and 13 fire; Sagamore Hills 44 EMS and 10 fire.

Captain Risko discussed the Fire Department's request to purchase a Stryker electrically powered cot and also a request to replace six (6) 50-foot lengths of hose that failed the last inspection. The Fire Department was awarded a \$5,000 grant by the State of Ohio which will be used to offset part of the \$13,254.47 cost of the cot. Sagamore Hills is responsible for approximately 50% of the cost.

Mr. Hunt made a **MOTION** to adopt **RESOLUTION 43-09** to purchase a Stryker Power Pro 6500 Cot for \$8,254.47 and six (6) 50-foot lengths of hose not to exceed \$2,500. Seconded by Mrs. Snell. R/C Vote: both in favor.

### **Zoning**

Snell: There were twelve (12) permits issued for a total of \$1,675. These permits included two (2) single family homes, accessory buildings, additions, and a fence.

### **Fiscal Officer**

Gale: Presented the October report with a beginning balance of \$5,622,469.00; receipts at \$275,469.70; less receipt expenditures of \$3,651.80 equals \$271,817.90; less total expenditures of \$202,781.24; less memo expenditure of \$3,651.80 which matches the Pending Warrant amount of \$199,129.44; ending balance is \$5,695,157.46.

Mr. Hunt asked about the road department grant money that is locked in the individual funds and cannot be moved. Mr. Gale explained that a multiple request has been sent to legal counsel; legal counsel writes a report for the Trustees; the Trustees pass the request in order to follow the appropriate procedure for the state auditors.

### **Trustees**

Snell: Aqua Ohio, Incorporated is pursuing a price increase through the PUCO. This is a private water system for the Spring Streets. The increase is being negotiated.

The Solid Waste Department had a free shredding event in November. It was very successful. Over 1,900 residents participated in the event.

The Health Department had a mosquito control program. Five mosquito pools tested positive for West Nile Virus. The testing area covered 386 acres; the county sprayed 54,000 acres of land. Sagamore Hills Township was not in the infected area.

We have 21 people on Lifeline.

There is a new disease affecting pine trees called pine-pine gall rust. It is in the area. Mrs. Snell has information on this disease.

The County Engineer had the National Park cut back some of the brush on State Route 82 at Chaffee Road. There is now enough visibility and does not warrant a light or caution signs.

Hunt: The Silverleaf Development performance bond has been released. The Township will now be plowing in that area.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The 3x5 flags for the Township will be ordered from GM Advertising. After much research, their quote for 70 flags, 12 poles and 12 sleeves in the amount of \$1,382 was the best price received. The flag poles will be stronger because they are now made from ash.

Mr. Hunt asked about the request from the County Engineer for an agreement for snow and ice control on Dunham Road. Mrs. Snell replied that Dave Smith is going to have this request clarified for the next meeting.

Mrs. Snell made an application with District 8 for Issue 1. We look very good for receiving \$143,000 grant for Holzhauser, Walton and Canal Roads. There will be a meeting next week and we are high scorer on the township end.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Revisions to the draft Emergency Management Plan was distributed to the Trustees, Police Chief, Fire Marshal and Fiscal Officer.

Mrs. Snell commented that she spoke to Roy Meadows from Safety Solutions about an Evacuation Plan for the Nordonia Hills area at no cost to the communities. He will be ready to present it to the Township in January. This plan will tie into our Emergency Management Plan.

The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District will be here at 3:00 on Monday, November 16th to meet with Mr. Hunt and legal counsel.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Restrooms in the park will be closed this week for the winter. A port-a-potty will be delivered for use during the winter. This is an effort to cut energy costs.

### **CITIZENS' FORUM**

Gary Smith asked for clarification on Resolution 37-09. Mr. Gale explained that it was a report received from the County with estimates of what will be generated through various levies that are held by Sagamore Hills which includes police, fire and roads. They make an estimate based on past predictions. There is nothing new on this report; no increases; they just readjust based on property values.

Captain Risko announced that the property at 8280 Augusta Drive has been condemned by Summit County. They are waiting for the insurance company to make a determination on how they will handle the demolition.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. Snell moved to adjourn to Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or official specifically set forth in Section 121.22 (G)(1) Revised Code. Seconded by Mr. Hunt. R/C Vote: both in favor. ADJOURN: 7:46 pm, RECONVENE: 8:17 pm. R/C: All officials in attendance.

Mr. Hunt explained that the Township always hires temporary help during the summer. There is still one temporary employee working in the Road Department. The Trustees have decided to keep that employee on the payroll four (4) days a week or on-call. Supervisor will then phase him back in during the spring at four (4) days a week and he will then become temporary help again in the summer. He is a college student and does not have a CDL.

There was no further business. Mr. Hunt moved to adjourn at 8:19 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Snell. R/C Vote: both in favor.