

RESOLUTION 10-14
Adopted 3-8-10
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SAGAMORE HILLS TOWNSHIP
VACATION OF STANFORD ROAD

RESOLUTION introduced by Mr. Hunt.

WHEREAS, Stanford Road is located between Brandywine Road west to the Boston Township border within Sagamore Hills Township and Northfield Center Township; and,

WHEREAS, Stanford Road no longer has any private land owners other than the Cuyahoga Valley National Park; and,

WHEREAS, Stanford Road primarily provides access to Brandywine Falls and Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area through a parking area off of Stanford Road just a few hundred feet from Brandywine Road; and,

WHEREAS, the MetroParks of Summit County is planning to realign the hike and bike trail and anticipates the need for additional parking at Brandywine Falls; and,

WHEREAS, the MetroParks of Summit County has proposed to expand the Brandywine Falls parking lot and the plan includes using the right-of-way now occupied by Stanford Road for such parking area; and,

WHEREAS, the realignment and proposed parking lot expansion of MetroParks of Summit County will include the right-of-way that currently occupies Stanford Road that is shared between Sagamore Hills Township and Northfield Center Township; and,

WHEREAS, MetroParks of Summit County has requested Sagamore Hills Township and Northfield Center Township support vacating Stanford Road; and,

WHEREAS, Sagamore Hills Township desires that Stanford Road be vacated and requests that the Summit County Council approve the abandonment of Stanford Road from Brandywine Road west to the Boston Township border; and,

WHEREAS, Sagamore Hills has been in support of abandonment of Stanford Road between Brandywine Road and the Boston Township border for the past ten (10) years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Sagamore Hills Township, Summit County, Ohio that Sagamore Hills Township supports the vacation and abandonment of its right-of-way of Stanford Road between Brandywine Road and the Boston Township border and the MetroParks of Summit County's plan to expand the parking area for Brandywine Falls in anticipation for the need of additional parking at Brandywine Falls for their expansion of the hike and bike trail.

RESOLUTION seconded by Chair Barrett.

Being called for adoption; the Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Richard H. Barrett, aye. Richard H. Barrett
Richard H. Barrett,
Chair

Rose Mary Snell, absent
Rose Mary Snell,
Vice Chair

James P. Hunt, aye. James P. Hunt
James P. Hunt,
Trustee

Attest:
Scott Gale
Scott Gale, Fiscal Officer



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April 5, 2011

Alan Brubaker, P.E., P.S.
Summit County Engineer
538 E. South Street
Akron, Ohio 44308-1843

Dear Mr. Brubaker:

I, Monica James, Fiscal Officer of Northfield Center Township, Summit County Ohio do certify that the following Resolution was unanimously approved by the Northfield Center Township Trustees:

Resolution No. 10/03-01f: To recommend to the County to vacate the Northfield Center portion of Old Stanford Road and authorize Sagamore Hills Trustee Rose Mary Snell to present the vacation proposal on behalf of Northfield Center Township and Sagamore Hills Township to Summit County Council, per the MetroParks letter, dated February 8, 2010.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via phone at 33-0.57.7647 ext. 4 or email at fiscal.officer@northfieldcenter.com.

Sincerely,

Monica James
Fiscal Officer

**BRIDGE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN METROPARKS,
SERVING SUMMIT COUNTY AND THE NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE
RELATED TO THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF STANFORD ROAD
LOCATED IN NORTHFIELD CENTER TOWNSHIP AND SAGAMORE
HILLS TOWNSHIP**

STATE OF OHIO)

ss: AFFIDAVIT OF MARVIN D. EVANS

COUNTY OF SUMMIT)

I, Marvin D. Evans, having been duly sworn, do depose and state that:

1. I am an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Summit.
2. I have been employed by the County in this position since 2002.
3. I have personal knowledge of the facts that are the subject of this affidavit.
4. Pursuant to resolutions passed by the trustees of both Northfield Center Township and Sagamore Hills Township, it is intended that a portion of Stanford Rd. located in those townships will be vacated by Summit County Council.
5. The vacation of Stanford Rd. will return ownership of the underlying land to MetroParks, Serving Summit County ("MPSSC") and the National Parks Service ("NPS").
6. Within the area to be vacated there exists a bridge (No. NOR-038-0154) that, heretofore, has been owned and maintained by the County of Summit and has been listed on the County of Summit's bridge inventory.
7. Pursuant to law, and with the agreement of both MPSSC and NPS, ownership and maintenance of said bridge will transfer to MPSSC and NPS upon the vacation of Stanford Rd. by Summit County Council.
8. MPSSC and NPS have provided a Letter of Intent to the Summit County Executive and Summit County Council to undertake said ownership and maintenance and to allocate responsibility between them as they may agree from time to time.



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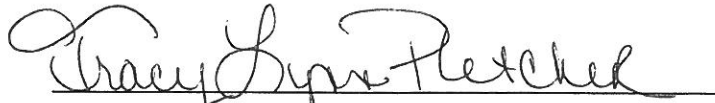
9. This affidavit and the attached Letter of Intent signed on behalf of both MPSSC and NPS is being recorded to make a permanent record of the intent to transfer ownership and maintenance responsibility to MPSSC and NPS, and their intent to accept the same.
10. This affidavit will be referenced on the plat recorded pursuant to R.C. 5553.10.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



Name: MARVIN D. EVANS

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a notary public, on March 9, 2011.


Notary Public

TRACY L. PLETCHER, Notary Public
Residence - Summit County
State Wide Jurisdiction, Ohio
My Commission Expires Feb. 24, 2015

This document prepared by Marvin Evans.





January 4, 2011

Mr. Marvin D. Evans
Summit County
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
53 University Ave., 6th Floor
Akron, OH 44308-1680

RE: STANFORD RD AND COUNTY BRIDGE VACATION SAGAMORE HILLS AND
NORTHFIELD CENTER TOWNSHIPS

Dear Mr. Evans

Enclosed is a letter signed by the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Superintendent and the Metro Parks, Serving Summit County Director-Secretary. This letter describes the future disposition of the vehicular bridge currently owned by Summit County that is part of the planned vacation of Stanford Road in Sagamore Hills and Northfield Center townships.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact me at 330-867-5511 or Dennis Hamm at 440-546-5902.

Sincerely,

David C. Whited, ASLA
Chief of Planning & Development

CC Dennis Hamm, CVNP
Rose Mary Snell, Sagamore Hills Twp
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John A. Donofrio, Summit Fiscal Officer



United States Department of the Interior

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Cuyahoga Valley National Park
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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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December 22, 2010

To: Russell M. Pry, Summit County Executive
Summit County Council

From: Stan Austin, Superintendent, Cuyahoga Valley National Park
Keith Shy, Director-Secretary, MetroParks, Serving Summit County

Subject: Stanford Road Vacation and Associated Bridge Disposition

This Letter of Intent is in regard to the vehicular bridge along Stanford Road in Sagamore Hills and Northfield Center townships that is currently a part of the planned vacation Stanford Road between Brandywine Road and the township lines (just east of Latta Lane). The purpose of this letter is to clarify tentative plans for the long term assignment of responsibility for the bridge.

Background: The underlying ownership of land beneath the bridge is split down the middle of the road right-of-way between MetroParks, Serving Summit County [MPSSC] to the south and the United States of America (National Park Service [NPS] Cuyahoga Valley National Park) to the north. Therefore, upon vacation of the road and bridge, ownership of the bridge will be split between MPSSC and NPS. Both parties understand the potential problems that could arise out of joint ownership of the bridge and, therefore, while transferring all ownership of the bridge to one party is not practical, MPSSC and the NPS have tentatively agreed to assign full responsibility for the bridge to the NPS. The planned assignment would be completed through a Memorandum of Agreement or similar instrument.

The NPS is further committed to accept responsibility for the condition of bridge and will undertake appropriate actions necessary to ensure public safety. Depending on long term plans for the vacated road and immediate vicinity, such actions could include maintenance of the existing bridge, replacement or removal.

We, the undersigned, jointly agree to the information provided above.


National Park Service; Cuyahoga Valley National Park

Stan Austin, Superintendent
15610 Vaughn Road
Brecksville, OH 44141


Signature _____ Date 12/22/10

MetroParks, Serving Summit County

Keith D. Shy, Director-Secretary
975 Treaty Line Road
Akron, OH 44313-5837


Signature _____ Date 1/3/11



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