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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
May 13, 2008
Solon Township Hall
2305 19-Mile Road
Cedar Springs MI 49319

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Robert Ellick at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: Fred Gunnell, Richard Straub, John Rideout, Robert Ellick and Heather Zenker.

Members absent: none

Pledge of Allegiance

Public comments on the agenda items: None

Approve agenda:

Motion made by Ms. Zenker to approve agenda. Mr. Gunnell seconded motion. Motion carried 4 to 1. Mr. Ellick descending.

Approve Consent Agenda: Motion made by Mr. Straub to approve consent agenda. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Committee Reports

Cedar Springs Public Library – Written report submitted by Donna Clark.
Cedar Springs Parks & Rec – Ms. Zenker reported that they are still looking for a representative from Algoma Township.

Old Business:

Construction / remodeling of township hall – No activity reported

New Business

Resignation of fire fighter

The motion was made by Ms. Zenker to accept the resignation of fire fighter Clark Swaney. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 5 to 0.

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Funding for servicing town hall air conditioning unit

The motion was made by Mr. Rideout to approve funding of \$300 for servicing the town hall air conditioning unit. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 3 to 2. Mr. Ellick and Mr. Gunnell descending.

Approval of funding to reprogram fire department radios

The motion was made by Mr. Straub to approve funding of \$500 for the reprogramming of fire department radios. Seconded by Mr. Rideout. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Approval of funding for road repair to Simmons and Trenton Ave.

The motion was made by Mr. Rideout to approve funding up to \$61,000 for road repair to Simmons Ave. and Trenton Ave. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Authorization for help on township clean up days

The motion was made by Mr. Straub to approve paying Mr. Lavern Lanning and Mr. Nolan Ellick to assist in the clean up days at a cost of \$10 per hour. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Authorization for copy machine lease/purchase agreement

The motion was made by Mr. Straub to approve signing a lease to own agreement with Michigan Office Solutions in the amount of \$376 per month for 60 months. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Authorization for funding for sand removal from and black dirt for the cemetery

The motion was made by Mr. Straub to approve funding up to \$500 for sand removal from and black dirt for the cemetery. Seconded by Mr. Rideout. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Authorization to purchase flags for cemetery

The motion was made by Mr. Rideout to approve funding up to \$300 for the purchase of flags for the cemetery. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Additional funding for North Kent Transit Services

The motion was made by Mr. Rideout to additional funding in the amount of \$300 for the North Kent Transit, funding to be taken from the Community Block Grant funds. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

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Purchase of development rights

The motion was made by Mr. Straub to approve the purchase of development rights application submitted by Frank E. Gilbert. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Discussion Items

Fire Chief's report

Fire Chief submitted a written response to the clerk's memo of 4/9/08 regarding the conducting of live/controlled burns.

Bulk water sales from Cedar Springs

Supervisor Ellick reviewed discussion with city on bulk water sales. It was the position of Township attorney to wait for city to act on proposal.

Correspondence

Mr. Gunnell – Museum having open house for visiting mayor.

Mr. Straub – Memorial Day services

Ms. Zenker – nothing

Mr. Rideout – Handed out list of candidates running for township offices

Mr. Ellick – Discussed Huck's corners construction

Discussed Meijer's development

Public comments – None

Adjourn – Motion by Mr. Gunnell to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 P.M.

John W. Rideout
Solon Township Clerk