



Solon Township Hall
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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
April 9, 2019 @ 7:30p.m.**

Meeting called to Order by Supervisor Ellick at 7:30 pm.

Members Present: Robert Ellick, Mark Hoskins, Fred Gunnell, Arthur Gerhardt, Mary Lou Poulsen

Members Absent: none

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment on Agenda Items - none

Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve agenda, second by Hoskins. The motion carried 5-0.

Approve Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve consent agenda, second by Gunnell.
The motion carried 5-0.

- a. Approve minutes from March 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approve minutes from March 19, 2019 Budget Meeting
- c. Approve minutes from April 3, 2019 Staff Meeting
- d. Approve Bill List
- e. Clerk's Rev/Exp Report & Balance Sheets
- f. Treasurer's Report
- g. Building Inspector's Report
- h. Fire Chief's Monthly Report

Committee Reports

- * Cedar Springs Public Library – written
- * Cedar Springs Area Parks and Rec – none
- * Solon Park Planning Committee – Hal Babcock-preliminary specs received from architect this afternoon. Would like to get everybody together and stake bldg. site. North Country Trails group working on easements to Wiersma corridor. Talked with Dean's excavating – they will deliver \$280 work of milled asphalt to Park in conjunction with Township Cemetery driveway project.

Old Business

- No old business

New Business

- **Lawncare Bids**

A motion was made by Ellick to accept bid of \$8,400 from Ed Imbault, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Approve cemetery driveway repair by Dean's Excavating - \$5,200**

A motion was made by Hoskins to accept proposal by Dean's, seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Spring Cleanup - Authorize up to \$2,500**

A motion was made by Poulsen to authorize up to \$2,500 for Spring Cleanup, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise for Treasurer to \$25,460 (3%)**

A motion was made by Gunnell to approve, seconded by Hoskins.
Roll Call Vote: Gunnell - Y; Gerhardt - Y; Hoskins – Y; Poulsen – N; Ellick – Y.
Motion carried 4 – 1.

- **Raise for Clerk to \$25,460 (3%)**

A motion was made by Gerhardt to approve, seconded by Gunnell.
Roll Call Vote: Ellick - Y; Poulsen - N; Hoskins – Y; Gerhardt – Y; Gunnell – Y.
Motion carried 4 – 1.

- **Raise for Administrative Assistant to \$12.60/hour (3%)**

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve, seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise for Deputy Clerk to \$13.40/hour (3%)**

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 4 – 0 with Ellick abstaining.

- **Raise Zoning Administrator/Enforcer hourly wage to \$22.65 (3%)**

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5 – 0

- **Raise hourly pay of custodian to 13.25 (6%)**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise hourly wage FD Alarms to \$14.50 (5.6%)**

A motion was made by Hoskins to approve, seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise hourly wage FD Training and Work Detail to \$11.00 (17%)**

A motion was made by Hoskins to approve, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise fulltime firefighter hourly wage to ~~\$10.61 (3%)~~**

A motion was made by Gerhardt to raise fulltime firefighter hourly wage to \$11.00 (7%), seconded by Poulsen. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise Deputy Chief annual salary to ~~\$4,758.00 (44%)~~**

A motion was made by Gerhardt to approve increase from \$3300 to \$3600 (9%), seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise Fire Chief annual salary to \$9,064.00 (3 %)**

A motion was made by Gunnell to approve, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Raise FD Captain annual salary to \$1,135.00 (8 %)**

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Sale of E-one Twp. Pumper**

A motion was made by Gunnell to advertise for sale, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 4 – 1.

- **Stand-by week-end duty**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve, seconded by Hoskins. **Motion failed 1 - 4.**

- **Authorize Supervisor to sign Realtor Contract for Algoma Property – \$74,900, and township keep stumps.**

A motion was made by Ellick to authorize, seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 4 – 0 with Hoskins abstaining.

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Correspondence

Trustee Gunnell: attended North Country Trails meeting. They are getting group together to work on getting easements.

Trustee Hoskins: nothing.

Treasurer: nothing.

Clerk: nothing.

Supervisor: meeting with Algoma Township Supervisor and KCRC to discuss 16 Mile – see if we can control improvements to the portion from Algoma to Pennington and Algoma control east of Algoma so Solon Township’s part can move forward.

Additional public comments:

J. Hall – regarding Clarkston road water runoff. Supervisor will address with KCRC tomorrow.

A motion was made by Gunnell to adjourn, support by Hoskins, motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:10 pm.

NEXT MEETING: May 14, 2019