



Solon Township Hall
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Cedar Springs MI 49319
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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
July 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 & Invocation

Public Comment on Agenda Items - none

Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve agenda with addition of Firefighter candidates Castle and Forman, second by Ellick. The motion carried 5-0.

Approve Consent Agenda

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

- a. Approve minutes from June 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approve minutes from July 3, 2019 Staff Meeting
- c. Approve Bill List
- d. Clerk's Rev/Exp Report & Balance Sheets
- e. Treasurer's Report
- f. Building Inspector's Report
- g. Fire Chief's Monthly Report

Committee Reports

- * Cedar Springs Public Library – written
- * Solon Park Planning Committee – waiting for hay to be cut so that construction of restroom can begin.

Old Business

- No old business

New Business

- **Velzy Bylaws**

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

- **Budget adjustments**

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve adjustments to budget as follows:

1. 203-444-972.000 Increase expenditure from fund balance of \$33,000 for 16 Mile Road Engineering
2. 206-000-699-101 Increase Transfer from General Fund to Fire Operating - \$4300
3. 206-850-878.000 Increase expenditure for Provident FF AD&D insurance premium
4. 408-000-727.000 Increase expenditure for supplies/expenses for Velzy Park

seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Adjust asking price for Algoma property**

A motion was made by Ellick to drop asking price of Algoma property by \$5,000 to \$59,900, second by Gerhardt. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Computer upgrades or purchases before Windows 7 not supported.**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve purchase of computer for Assessor, Zoning Administrator, and Supervisor and an upgrade to Treasurer's computer, not to exceed \$3300.00, seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Wifi at Township Hall.**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve installation of wifi at Township Hall at a cost not to exceed \$500, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried 4-1.

- **Hose and Ladder testing - \$2,850**

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

- **Electric Service for park restroom**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve bid of \$5,253. Failed for lack of support.

A motion was made by Gerhardt to approve bid from Tradition Electric of \$3,965, second by Poulsen. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Generator maintenance contract renewal - \$2,258.80**

A motion was made by Ellick to accept Cummins' contract renewal, seconded by Poulsen. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Firefighter candidate Castle**

A motion was made by Gunnell to hire Morgan Castle to Fire Department, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5 – 0.

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- **Firefighter candidate Forman**

A motion was made by Hoskins to hire Dalton Forman to Fire Department, seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Discussion items

Monica Sanders contacted Supervisor Ellick regarding expiration of her contract with CSA Parks and Rec offering Zumba classes to the community. **Motion by Gerhardt to offer Solon Township's community room for the class on Thursdays from 7:00-8:00 rent-free, second by Ellick. Discussion of time limit to see if residents make use of the opportunity. Motion amended to include a 6 month trial period, carried 5-0.**

Correspondence

Trustee Gunnell: none.

Trustee Hoskins: none.

Treasurer: none.

Clerk: none.

Supervisor: Twenty Eight loads of limestone on Division, and 19 Mile and Hanna work finished. Chip-seal coming.

Additional public comments:

Patrick Sweeney speaking on behalf of Sable Developing asked Board to reconsider the denial of the Township Planning Commission of Ashton Meadows site plan application. Supervisor Ellick stated the matter will not be addressed at the board meeting tonight.

Motion to adjourn by Hoskins, second by Gunnell. **Meeting adjourned @ 8:00 pm.**

NEXT MEETING: August 13, 2019