



Solon Township Hall
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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
December 13, 2021 @ 7:30 p.m.**

Meeting called to Order by @ 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Robert Ellick, Arthur Gerhardt, Mark Hoskins, Jon Stout, Dorothy Willoughby

Members Absent: none

Also Present: Chief Hays, Vicki and Hal Babcock, Members of the Public

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Public Comment on Agenda Items – none.

Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Stout to approve agenda with the addition of FD Candidate Christie, seconded by Hoskins. The motion carried 5-0.

Approve Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Willoughby to approve consent agenda, seconded by Gerhardt. The motion carried 5-0.

- a. Approve minutes from Board Meeting – November 8, 2021
- b. Approve minutes from Staff Meeting – December 1, 2021
- c. Approve Bill List
- d. Clerk's Rev/Exp Report & Balance Sheets
- e. Treasurer's Cash Report

Committee Reports

Cedar Springs Public Library: Donna Clark thanked Bob Ellick and Vicki Babcock for their service on the Library Board, and also thanked Solon Township for their support and contribution to the library. The New Library Director is anticipated to attend Board Meetings.

North Kent Community Enrichment: Have programs coming up including, Boys Rocket Basketball, 3rd & 4th Grad Boys Basketball Skill Clinics, Tae Kwon Do, Wee Hawks Basketball, Daddy Daughter Dance, Mother Son Nerf War, Pickleball, and Girls Hawks Hoops.

Old Business

Multipurpose Township Building: A motion was made by Willoughby to invite at least four contractors to an invitation to bid contractors meeting on January 5th at 11:00am, giving until January 24th for sealed bids, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

- **2022 Meeting/Holiday Calendar**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve the 2022 Meeting and Holiday Calendar with an additional 2 vacation days for the Administrative Assistant, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Community Room Rules & User Agreement Changes**

A motion was made by Ellick to accept the rules and user agreement changes as written, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Hall Rental Deposit**

A motion was made by Willoughby to refund the full deposit to the resident who has the hall reserved but had to cancel last minute due to family members with Covid, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Treasurer & Code Enforcement Postings**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve the posting for Treasurer, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

- **KC Road Commission Invoice for 16 Mile**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve the invoice for 16 Mile in the amount of \$1653.51, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Tradition Electric Invoice for Velzy Restroom**

A motion was made by Hoskins to approve invoice for Tradition Electric in the amount of \$4055.00, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Decker Insurance Invoice 2022**

A motion was made by Hoskins to approve the property and liability insurance invoice from Decker insurance for \$9773.00, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.

- **PC Reappointment: Tilbert**

A motion was made by Ellick to reappoint Jon Tilbert as Planning Commission Member, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

- **PC Appointment: Vandenberg**

A motion was made by Ellick to appoint Joel Vandenberg as Planning Commission Member, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Library Appointment: Ellick**
A motion was made by Willoughby to reappoint Robert Ellick as Library Board Member, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 4-0 with Ellick abstaining.
- **FD Ice Rescue Class**
A motion was made by Ellick for the Chief to move forward with his plan to invite other departments to participate in a Ice Rescue Class to see if there is enough interest and what the cost would be, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.
- **PC's Recommendations for Dexko**
A motion was made by Hoskins to rezone the two properties at 810 & 862 17 Mile from agricultural & neighborhood commercial both to highway commercial, seconded by Ellick. Motion carried 3-1 with Stout abstaining.
- **Cedarfield Sewer**
Supervisor Ellick spoke with the attorney today who agreed Cedarfield needs to pick a price for the sewer system and inform the township of that price according to the agreement. Will be receiving an email from the attorney after his review.
- **FD Candidate Christie**
A motion was made by Ellick to hire Candidate Casey Christie as a volunteer fireman, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion Items: none.

Correspondence

Trustee Stout: none.

Trustee Hoskins: Asked Chief if a situation similar to the tornados in Kentucky what is our plan of action. Chief informed us we would contact Kent County Emergency Management and follow instructions.

Clerk: none.

Supervisor: none.

Treasurer: Taxes are coming in. Will be retiring.

Additional public comments: Vicki Babcock told the Board they were appreciated and hoped they have a Merry Christmas. Jim from Harmony Farms Association would like a better explanation of what is going to be built, what the property will be used for, and why special land use regarding property on 810 & 862 17 Mile.

Motion to adjourn by Stout, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0. **Meeting adjourned @ 8:20 p.m.**

NEXT MEETING: January 10, 2021.