



Solon Township Hall  
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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees  
April 8, 2014 @ 7:30p.m.**

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

**Members Present:** Heather Zenker, Robert Ellick, Fred Gunnell, John Rideout, Mary Lou Poulsen

**Members Absent:** none

**Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation**

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

**Approve Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Poulsen to approve agenda with addition of Treasurer's letter of resignation, seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 5-0.

**Approve Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Gunnell. The motion carried 5-0.

- a. Approve minutes from Regular Board Meeting of March 11, 2014
- b. Approve minutes from Special Board Meeting of March 24, 2014
- c. Approve minutes from Budget Hearing of March 25, 2014
- d. Approve minutes from staff meeting of April 2, 2014
- e. Approve Bill List
- f. Clerk's Rev/Exp Report & Balance Sheets
- g. Fire Chief's Statistics Report
- h. Building Inspector's Report
- i. Treasurer's Report

**6. Committee Reports**

- \* Cedar Springs Public Library
- \* Cedar Springs Parks and Rec.
- \* Solon Market
- \* Solon Site Committee
- \* Fire Committee

**7. Old Business**

none

**8. New Business**

**\* Auditor**

A motion was made by Ms. Poulsen to renew agreement with auditors Siegfried/Crandall for this fiscal year, seconded by Ms. Zenker. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Lawn care Contracts**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve lawn care contract with Ed Imbault at same rate as last year plus up to \$1,000 for cleanup and fill of additional areas at Algoma site, seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Funds for rewiring of phone and data systems in Fire Station - \$1,926**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve wiring of phone and data systems by Deltatron in the amount of \$1,926 with full payment upon completion, seconded by Mr. Ellick. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Tree cutting at fire station**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve tree cleanup by firemen Bennett and Russell in exchange for the wood, seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Appointment to CSA P&R**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve appointment of Chris Anton to the Cedar Springs Area Parks and Rec, seconded by Mr. Ellick. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Spring Cleanup Days**

A motion was made by Ms. Poulsen to approve \$4600 for cleanup days on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Ms. Zenker. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Market Committee purchase of Santa suit - \$40**

A motion was made by Mr. Ellick to approve \$40 for Solon Market purchase of Santa suit for Christmas in July, seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Relist White Creek property**

A motion was made by Mr. Ellick to approve extension of listing agreement of White Creek property to 4/16/2015 with possible use change, seconded by Ms. Zenker. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Fire Chief salary**

A motion was made by Ms. Poulsen to approve increase of annual salary to \$8800, seconded by Ms. Zenker. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Strip, seal, and wax Community Room floor**

A motion was made by Mr. Ellick to approve \$700 for strip, seal and wax of community room by Chris Fossen, seconded by Ms. Poulsen. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Fire Millage language**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve resolution for fire millage language as presented, seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Roll call vote: Ellick yes, Zenker yes, Rideout yes, Gunnell yes, Poulsen yes. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **ZBA workshop in May**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve M. Blackburn, R. Hays and J. Rideout to attend ZBA workshop May 6<sup>th</sup> in Big Rapids, seconded by Mr. Gunnell. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **MTA on the Road in June**

A motion was made by Mr. Ellick to approve J. Rideout & V.F. Gunnell to attend MTA on the Road, seconded by Ms. Zenker. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Resignation of fire fighter**

A motion was made by Mr. Ellick to approve resignation of fire fighter Zenker emailed to Chief Drake, seconded by Mr. Gunnell. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **CS Chamber of Commerce Renaissance Festival in June**

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to authorize use of township acreage by Cedar Springs Area Chamber of Commerce to hold a Renaissance Festival on June 21 & 22, with promise of sufficient personnel to control traffic concerns, seconded by Mr. Gunnell. The motion carried 5-0.

\* **Resignation of Treasurer**

A motion was made by Mr. Ellick to approve resignation of Township Treasurer Zenker effective April 30, 2014, seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion - none**

**Correspondence**

**Trustees:** **Mr. Gunnell** – nothing

**Mr. Rideout** – training of treasurer, advertize in paper, MTA, and on LED sign.

**Treasurer:** nothing.

**Clerk:** nothing.

**Supervisor:** Motion to set wages for current treasurer at \$20/hour if we need her assistance in training replacement after April 30, 2014 resignation date, Seconded by Mr. Rideout, the motion carried 5 – 0.

County Road Commission personnel will be meeting with supervisor on April 9<sup>th</sup> to look at township road conditions.

**Additional public comments:** V. Babcock

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Mr. Gunnell to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rideout. Motion carried 5 to 0. Meeting Adjourned at 8:24 pm.

**Submitted by:** Mary Lou Poulsen, Solon Township Clerk