



Solon Township Hall
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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
September 12, 2017 @ 7:30p.m.**

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

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

Members Absent: none

Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

Public Comment on Agenda Items – V. Babcock asked if market requests need to go to board meeting for approval or could be approved by official. Supervisor answered officials have authority with limits.

Approve Agenda

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

Approve Consent Agenda

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

- a. Approve minutes from August 8, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approve minutes from September 6, 2017 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 Statistics Report

Committee Reports

- * Cedar Springs Public Library – B. Ellick reported library building now belongs to the city. Some issues still be to worked out. Library looking for help.
- * Cedar Springs Area Parks and Rec. – none
- * Solon Market – V. Babcock – met today & discussed Velzy Park Bootacular fundraiser.
- * Solon Park Planning Committee - written
- * Fire Committee – none

Old Business

- None

New Business

- **Policy for Appreciation/Recognition Dinner.**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve the Policy Statement: *In appreciation of the dedication shown throughout the year and to promote good employee relations, morale, recruitment and retention efforts, Solon Township will pay the cost of an annual Appreciation event for the Solon Township Fire Department. The event is to be considered a part of the total benefits package for the department's employees.*, seconded by Hoskins. The motion carried 5 – 0

- **Appointment of Park Committee member – Shelly Hilbert.**

A motion was made by Poulsen to appoint Shelly Hilbert to the Park Committee, seconded by Gunnell. The motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Candidate for Fire Dept – Bryan Cabrero**

A motion was made by Gunnell to hire Bryan Cabrero as a Solon Township firefighter, seconded by Hoskins. The motion carried 5 - 0.

- **MFR course for Bryan Cabrero - \$450 registration**

A motion was made by Ellick to approve expenditure of \$450 for MFR registration of Bryan Cabrero, seconded by Gunnell. The motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Resolution to support Michigan Senate and House bills regarding 911**

A motion was made by Gerhardt to approve resolution to support bills, seconded by Gunnell. Roll Call Vote resulted as follows: Gunnell – Y; Hoskins – N; Gerhardt – Y; Poulsen – N; Ellick – N.
The motion failed 2 - 3.

- **Purchase of 3 modems for election tabulators – total \$885**

A motion was made by Poulsen to approve purchase of tabulators, seconded by Ellick. The motion carried 5 – 0.

- **Market Committee appointments & \$50 expense for Bootacular**

A motion was made by Poulsen to appoint Shelly Aardema, Vicky Babcock and Hal Babcock to the Solon Township Market Committee, seconded by Ellick. The motion carried 5 – 0.

A motion was made by Ellick to approve \$50 expenditure from Solon Market budget line for public event Bootacular, seconded by Hoskins. The motion carried 5 – 0.

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Discussion Items – none

Correspondence

Trustee Gunnell: none

Trustee Hoskins: none

Treasurer: Busy with tax collection.

Clerk: none

Supervisor: Road work on Simmons waiting for permit to replace cross tile that has collapsed. Supervisor and Zoning enforcement officer were in Circuit Court today regarding property on Wiersma – Judge gave resident 45 days to clean it up.

Additional public comments: none.

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

Meeting adjourned @ 7:48 pm.

NEXT MEETING: October 10, 2017

Submitted by Mary Lou Poulsen