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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
June 14, 2005
Solon Township Hall
2305 19-Mile Road
Cedar Springs MI 49319

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Robert Ellick at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Fred Gunnell, John Rideout, Robert Ellick, Rich Straub, Cynthia Ferguson

Members absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests & Presentations: None

Public comment on agenda items

None

Approve agenda

Motion made by Ferguson to approve the agenda with changes. Seconded by Straub. Motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda

Motion made by Straub, Seconded by Rideout. Motion carried.

- a. Approve minutes from Regular meeting for May 10, 2005.
- b. Approve Bill list and accept Written Department and Committee Reports
 - Accounts Payable
 - Fire Chief's Statistics Report
 - Clerk's Budget Report
 - Building Inspector's Report
 - Treasurer's Report

Old business

Cedar Springs Public Library – Donna Clark discussed the new summer reading program. She also reported that the concert at The Kent Theater went very well.

Cedar Springs Park and Rec.- No members were present.

Banking proposal- Cynthia will contact ChoiceOne and Independent Bank to find out costs, fees and percentages related to the accounts and also interest amounts earned. This item was tabled until the next board meeting where at that time the board will discuss the information Cynthia has provided to them.

Disbursement of revenue into Capital Fund for Fire Department- Motion by Rideout to not allow the request from the Fire Department to disburse revenue into the Capital Fund. Seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried.



New Business-

Revision of Township Personnel Policy- Motion by Ferguson to revisit the Township Personnel Policy after the next staff meeting. Seconded by Gunnell. Motion carried.

Proposal to go on budget plan LP Gas- Motion by Ferguson to have the Supervisor compare prices with companies and choose the lowest priced plan. Seconded by Straub. Motion carried.

Disposal of old voting machines- Motion by Rideout to have Deputy Clerk try to sell old voting machines on E-Bay. Seconded by Straub. Motion carried.

Transfer of funds to cover \$1,336.13 invoice for Egner Road project- Motion by Ferguson to transfer \$1,336.13 for the Community Block Grant funds to pay for the final invoice to Kent County Road Commission for the Egner road project. Seconded by Straub. Motion carried.

Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals- Motion by Ellick to re-appoint Rich Straub to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Rideout. Motion carried.

Termination of current library agreement- Motion by Gunnell to terminate the current library agreement. Seconded by Ferguson. Motion carried.

Moratorium on new residential developments to further study lot sizes and zoning issues- Motion by Ferguson to approve the resolution as written. Seconded by Rideout.

Roll Call Vote

Ferguson-yes

Straub-yes

Gunnell-no

Rideout-yes

Ellick-yes

Motion carried.

Rental of chairs and tables from Township- Motion by Ellick to rent out table and chairs from the Township. Seconded by Gunnell. Motion not approved.



Salvation Army drop box in Township Hall parking lot- Motion by Ferguson to approve the placing of a drop box in the Solon Township Hall parking lot with the condition that the area surrounding the box remain clean and presentable. Seconded by Straub. Motion carried.

Approval of FEMA purchases for the Fire Department- Motion by Straub to allow the Fire Department to purchase items with FEMA Grant money. Seconded by Ferguson. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Trustee: Fred Gunnell- None

Trustee: Rich Straub – The ceremonies for Memorial Day were some of the best he has seen in years. It was the largest crowd they have ever had at the Veterans Home. He would like to thank everyone for their supporting their veterans.

Treasurer: Cynthia Ferguson- She let the board know that she is adding a fax line and fax machine to the Treasurers office.

Clerk: John Rideout- He handed out the budget for Hope Network and discussed that we are on track again.

Supervisor: Robert Ellick- Stated that the fax machine broke in the office and had to replace it. Linda is taking the newsletters to the printers and they should be back on Friday. Morton Buildings presented him with preliminary plans for a new hall. He passed them out to the board members letting them know that this is just an idea to look at and if they have any ideas to add to do so. He also discussed the Bears In The Woods case.

Additional Public Comment

Don Boezwinkle discussed future plans for Middle Lake and would like to meet with board members to discuss current questions and concerns.

Adjournment

Motion made by Ferguson to adjourn. Seconded by Straub. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned 9:27 p.m.

Heather Zenker, Deputy Clerk