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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
February 14, 2006
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, Heather Zenker, Rich Straub
Members absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation given by Pastor Dibell

Guests & Presentations: None

Public comment on agenda items - None

Approve agenda - Motion made by Ms. Zenker to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell.
Motion carried 5 - 0.

Approve Consent Agenda – Motion made by Mr. Straub to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Mr. Rideout. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- a. Approve minutes from Regular meeting for December 13, 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 – Report given by Donna Clark.

Cedar Springs Park and Rec.- Report given by Heather Zenker

Property for new township hall – No action taken.

Amendment to Dale's Service judgment – Motion by Ms. Zenker to consider modifying the judgment regarding Dale's Service. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion failed 0 – 5.

New Business-

Administrative Services Agreement with Burnham & Flowers– Motion by Mr. Rideout to approve the continuing administrative service agreement with Burnham & Flowers. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Resolution to collect 100% of the Kent Intermediate school property tax – Motion was made by Mr. Straub to collect 100% of the Kent Intermediate school property tax. Seconded by Ms. Zenker.

Role call vote:

Mr. Straub – yes
Mr. Gunnell – yes
Mr. Ellick – yes
Mr. Rideout -yes
Ms. Zenker - yes

Resolution to collect 50% of the Kent City school property tax – Motion was made by Ms. Zenker to collect 50% of the Kent City school property tax. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell.

Role call vote:

Mr. Gunnell – yes
Mr. Ellick – yes
Mr. Rideout -yes
Ms. Zenker - yes
Mr. Straub – yes

Resolution to collect 100% of the Grand Rapids Community College property tax – Motion was made by Ms. Zenker to collect 100% of the Grand Rapids Community College property tax.

Role call vote:

Mr. Ellick – yes
Mr. Rideout -yes
Ms. Zenker - yes
Mr. Straub – yes
Mr. Gunnell – yes

Resolution to collect 100% of the Cedar Springs school property tax – Motion was made by Mr. Gunnell to collect 100% of the Cedar Springs school property tax. Seconded by Mr. Straub.

Role call vote:

Mr. Rideout -yes
Ms. Zenker - yes
Mr. Straub – yes
Mr. Gunnell – yes
Mr. Ellick – yes

Salary increase for Deputy Clerk – Motion was made by Mr. Rideout to increase the Deputy Clerk's wages from \$10.00 per hour to \$10.50 per hour. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Adjustments to 2005 – 2006 budget – Motion made by Mr. Rideout to adjust the budget as outlined in summary submitted by Clerk to Board. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Appointment to Planning Commission Motion by Mr. Ellick to appoint Halden Babcock to Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Rideout. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Correspondence

Trustee: Mr. Gunnell – Discussed Rapid Transit letter that all board members received.

Trustee: Mr. Straub – Will be attending up coming ZBA training

Treasurer: Ms. Zenker – Taxes going well

Clerk: Mr. Rideout – none

Supervisor: Budget meeting will be held in conjunction with March's staff meeting. Kent County Economic Development representative will be at next staff meeting to discuss tax abatement for Atwood's.

Additional Public Comments

Fire Chief discussed Atwood Sawmill project, would like to have input regarding new saw mill. Fire Dept. is ready to start bidding process on new pumper. County will fund \$172,000.00. Truck fire dept. is proposing will cost \$240,000. Chief demonstrated how additional will be paid for.

Motion by Mr. Gunnell to move forward with purchase of four-person cab truck. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 4 – 1.

Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Straub to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.
Meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
John W. Rideout Clerk