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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees  
April 11, 2006  
Solon Township Hall  
2305 19-Mile Road  
Cedar Springs MI 49319

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Robert Ellick at 7:37 p.m.

**Members present:** Fred Gunnell, John Rideout, Robert Ellick, Heather Zenker, and Rich Straub  
**Members absent:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Invocation** given by Pastor Dibell

**Guest & Presentations:** None

**Public comments on the agenda items:** None

**Approve agenda:** Motion made by Mr. Gunnell to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Approve Consent Agenda:** Motion made by Mr. Straub, seconded by Mr. Gunnell to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Old Business**

**Cedar Springs Public Library** – Donna Clark submitted monthly library report.

**Cedar Springs Parks and Rec.** – Heather Zenker reported there would be a meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Property for new township hall** – no action

**New Business**

**Motion to terminate moratorium on developments** – Motion by Mr. Gunnell to terminate the moratorium on new residual developments. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Resolution to retain local control of cable franchises** – Motion by Mr. Straub to approve a resolution in support of retaining local control of cable franchises. Seconded by Ms. Zenker.

Roll call vote:

Rideout – yes  
Straub – yes  
Ellick – yes  
Zenker – yes  
Gunnell – yes

**Fire Committee recommendations on employee evaluation forms** – Motion by Mr. Straub to approve the recommendations of the Fire Committee on the fire department evaluation forms. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**John Cooper Property** – Motion by Mr. Rideout to accept the donation of land from Mr. Cooper. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion failed 5 to 0.

**Albert Ashley offer to township for more cemetery land** – Motion by Mr. Gunnell that we not accept offer by Mr. Ashley. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Counter offer on Ashley property** – Motion by Mr. Gunnell to make counter offer of \$14,000.00 for Ashley property. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 4 to 1.

**Bid on repair of 20 Mile Rd. dry hydrant** – Motion by Mr. Gunnell to award bid to Afton Excavating for reconstruction of dry hydrant. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Bid on repair to Middle Lake dry hydrant parking area**- Motion by Mr. Straub to award bid to Afton Excavating for reconstruction of dry hydrant parking area. Seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Resolution to place fire millage on August primary ballot**– Motion by Mr. Gunnell to place fire millage on August ballot. Seconded by Mr. Straub.

Roll call vote:

Straub – yes  
Ellick – yes  
Zenker – yes  
Gunnell – yes  
Rideout – yes

**Motion to close township hall on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, election day** – Motion by Mr. Straub to close the township office for normal business on May 2<sup>nd</sup> for the school election. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Campground fees** – Motion by Mr. Ellick to continue to collect campground fees. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 4 to 1.

**Authorization for funding for fertilizer for cemetery** – Motion by Mr. Straub to spend up to \$400.00 for the cost of fertilizer for cemetery. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Transfer of \$10,000.00 to fire fund** – Motion by Ms. Zenker to transfer \$10,000 to the fire department equipment fund. Seconded by Mr. Rideout. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Computer for Clerk's office** – Motion by Ms. Zenker to table. Seconded by Mr. Straub. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**Correspondence:**

Trustees – Mr. Straub thanked the Chaplin for his serve.  
Mr. Gunnell - nothing

Treasurer – nothing

Clerk – needed authorization for QVF computer funding, as state is requiring purchase order by The 15<sup>th</sup> of April. Motion by Mr. Straub to authorize funding for QVF computer. Seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Supervisor – nothing

**Additional public comments** – none

**Adjourn** – Motion by Ms. Zenker to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 5 – 0.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

John W. Rideout