

# **OLON TOWNSHIP STAFF MEETING MINUTES**

**July 2, 2014**

Solon Township Hall  
15185 Algoma Avenue  
Cedar Springs, MI 49319  
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**CALL TO ORDER** by Supervisor Ellick 10:07 am.

Present: Ellick, Gerhardt, Gunnell, Drake, Rideout, Poulsen, Austin.

Absent: Doane.

## **Staff Reports:**

**Zoning:** Supervisor reports fairly busy. Changes going on with Meijer, Premier and Preferred Landscape. Some response from letters sent out to Olin Lakes residents. Interim administrator has requested Tues & Wed mornings and salary rather than hourly wage. Supervisor will check on average salaries for this area.

**Assessor:** absent. Supervisor reported Board of Review has been set up.

**Building Department:** not much building going on this month. Diocese addition in planning stage. Building Inspector would like re-inspection fees raised to discourage requests for inspection when building is not ready.

**Fire Department:** Chief asked for brick veneer update – Supervisor to request engineer report from less busy engineer than first one contacted; would like to include oaths in pinning ceremony at board meeting and have Pastor Putnam give invocation; asked for update on ordinance for cost recovery from utility companies – clerk still to research; will be gone July 20-29 - officers covering his duties.

**Trustees:** **Gunnell:** resident approached him with question on primary ballot - resident had misread the amount of the millage proposal.

**Rideout:** Asked Supervisor to get with Road Commission regarding mowing/trimming roadsides. Supervisor responded with information from his conversation with Kent County Director of Maintenance Byrne.

**Treasurer:** Tax notices are out. Several payments already and complaint that credit card payments are not accepted at the office.

**Clerk:** Shared agenda items for upcoming board meeting; information on CGAP, grant application; Motion to add Greg Hull and Koadi Pritchard to the Park Planning Committee, second by Ellick, motion carried 5-0; shared letter from citizen regarding stable; Motion to compensate daytime firefighter position at \$10/hr from date of hire and continue position until August 12<sup>th</sup> Board meeting to re-evaluate then, second by Gunnell, motion carried 5-0.

**Supervisor:** Bank will accept pre-payment of building loan without penalty. Supervisor to get written confirmation prior to board meeting.

**Public Comment:** Trenton/19 mile in good shape, unfortunate timing on subbed brine application. Concern about township getting involved in running park programs that should not be township business.

**Discussion:** 2010 Engineers report, safety of, and uses for horse barn.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Rideout, seconded by Mr. Gunnell, motion carried 5 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47am.

**Next Meeting:** August 6, 2014.