SOLON TOWNSHIP Monthly Staff Meeting

Solon Township Hall 15185 Algoma Avenue Cedar Springs, MI 49319 616-696-1718

Minutes February 1, 2023

CALL TO ORDER 10:15 A.M.

Present: Jon Stout, A.J. Anielski, Dorothy Willoughby, Mark Hoskins, Rich Hays, Rodney Ellick, Ron Perrin Absent: Robert Ellick Public: none

Departmental Activities

- Assessing: The roll has been turned over to the County for their review prior to sending out notices. Notices should be out by mid-February. Personal property statements were sent out the first week in January along with disabled veteran reminder letters to file for the 2023 exemption.
- Building: Slow. Well below this time last year but may be due to JStar last year.
- Zoning: Simmons property served 24 hr notice. 95% of the cars are gone. 19 Mile property turned in mechanical, plumbing and electrical permits, but hasn't done anything with permits for the drain field with the County. Rodney will get with Colt and Jeff to inform them of property concerns. Will have to send letter to mortgage company once Johnson property is auctioned off.
- Fire Department:

We received an updated bid for the SCBA compressor of \$43,625.89. A motion was made by Willoughby to approve the updated bid in the amount of \$43,625.89 with the township's portion being \$3625.89 after the grant awarded amount, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 4-0.

Turn out gear is needed for the department with a quote of \$22,016.00. Gear will not be available until after the new fiscal year, but ordering now will provide cost savings. A motion was made by Stout to move forward with ordering the turn out gear up to \$23,000, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 4-0.

Three people signed up for the instructor class, two of which already have the books. Books will be purchase for Vargo in the amount of \$160.

Lt. Kolenda stepped down from his role as officer but is still staying on board. Lt. Shievink is also no longer an officer but is staying on board.

Department had 50 calls this month, and received aid from CS for a possible structure fire, and provided aid to Plainfield.

Business/Topics of Discussion:

- Kleyn Vehicle Invoice: Tabled to Board Meeting.
- KCRC Wiersma Invoice: Tabled to Board Meeting.
- Kore Hi Com MS Licenses Invoice: Tabled to Board Meeting.
- J. Leitz Construction Invoice for Multipurpose Building: Tabled to Board Meeting
- NKCE Support Letter: Tabled to Board Meeting.
- Conflicts of Interest Policy Draft: Tabled to Staff Meeting
- ZBA Alternate: A motion was made by Willoughby to appoint A.J. Anielski as Zoning Board of Appeals alternate when current Board member is unavailable, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 3-0 with Anielski abstaining.

Other Discussion – Budget Hearing Date set for march 27, 2023 at 7:30pm.. NKCE has updated by laws. Will add to Board Meeting agenda. A franchise agreement for Great Lakes Energy Cooperative came in this morning. Will add to Board Meeting agenda.

Items for the Regular Township Board Meeting:

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- Great Lakes Energy Cooperative Francise

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Stout to adjourn, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 4-0.

NEXT MEETING - March 1, 2023