



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees

June 9, 2009

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Meeting called to order by Supervisor Robert Ellick at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: Fred Gunnell, Robert Ellick, Heather Zenker & John Rideout

Members absent: Richard Straub

Pledge of Allegiance

Public comments on the agenda items: none

Approve agenda:

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve agenda. Mr. Gunnell seconded the motion.
Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approve Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Mr. Rideout to approve consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Committee Reports

Cedar Springs Public Library – Donna Clark discussed the Library’s summer reading program.
Cedar Springs Parks & Rec – written report submitted

Old Business:

None

New Business

Fire works permit for July 4th

A fire works permit was presented from Robert Whalen for July 4th on upper lake. A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to approve the fire works permit. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gunnell. The motion carried 4 to 0.

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Resolution to Kent County Road Commission to close White Creek for red flannel festival fire works display.

A motion was made by Mr. Rideout to table this until next Board meeting so that additional information and resolution could be obtained. Motion was seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Resignation of Deputy Fire Chief

Deputy Chief Vargo submitted a resignation from the position of deputy chief, he will remain a fire fighter. A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to accept resignation of Mr. Vargo. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Charter Communications ballot issue

A motion was made by Ms. Zenker to submit a vote accepting the proposed amounts in settlement of the Charter Communications bankruptcy filing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rideout. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Cedar Springs Public School tax resolution

Motion by Ms. Zenker to approve resolution from Cedar Springs Public Schools to collect 100% of taxes in the summer. Motion seconded Mr. Gunnell. Roll call vote: Mr. Rideout – yes, Mr. Ellick – yes, Mr. Gunnell – yes, Ms. Zenker – yes, Mr. Straub – absent. Resolution approved 4 to 0.

Grand Rapids Community College tax resolution

Motion by Ms. Zenker to approve resolution from Grand Rapids Community College to collect 100% of taxes in the summer. Motion seconded Mr. Gunnell. Roll call vote: Mr. Ellick – yes, Mr. Gunnell – yes, Ms. Zenker – yes, Mr. Straub – absent, Mr. Rideout – yes. Resolution approved 4 to 0.

Kent City Community Schools tax resolution

Motion by Mr. Ellick to approve resolution from Kent City Community Schools to collect 50% of taxes in the summer. Motion seconded Ms. Zenker. Roll call vote: Mr. Gunnell – yes, Ms. Zenker – yes, Mr. Straub – absent, Mr. Rideout – yes, Mr. Ellick – yes. Resolution approved 4 to 0.

Kent Intermediate school tax resolution

Motion by Ms. Zenker to approve resolution from Kent Intermediate school to collect 100% of taxes in the summer. Motion seconded Mr. Gunnell. Roll call vote: Ms. Zenker – yes, Mr. Straub – absent, Mr. Rideout – yes, Mr. Ellick – yes, Mr. Gunnell – yes. Resolution approved 4 to 0.

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Arbor Circle contract

Motion by Ms. Zenker to approve contract with Arbor Circle in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Hope Network contract

Motion by Mr. Rideout to approve contract with Hope network in the amount of \$715.00 for the year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. The motion was seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Fire Code enforcement

Motion by Mr. Rideout to designate Joyce Vandermey as a fire code enforcement officer for Solon Township. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gunnell. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Discussion Items

None

Correspondence

Mr. Gunnell – nothing

Treasurer – nothing

Clerk – Discussed the recent audit, letter from Cedar Springs regarding 17 Mile Road

Supervisor – Discussed fire department grants, new property survey and building plans. It was decided to have a special meeting on Monday June 15th at 1:00 PM for the purpose of discussing new building.

Public comments – Chris Curless on new building design.

Adjourn – Motion by Mr. Rideout to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Zenker. Motion carried 4– 0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

John W. Rideout
Solon Township Clerk