

SOLON TOWNSHIP

Monthly Staff Meeting

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

Minutes March 4, 2026

CALL TO ORDER 10:00 A.M.

Present: Jon Stout, Mark Hoskins, A.J. Anielski, Rodney Ellick, Ron Perrin, Robert Ellick, Dorothy Willoughby, Rich Hays

Absent:

Public: Two members of the public were present.

Departmental Activities

- **Assessing:** Board of Review is being held next Monday from 9-3 and Tuesday 3-9.
- **Building:** Same as last year this time.
- **Zoning:** busy.
- **Code Enforcement:** Not many complaints coming in. Bradley filed an appeal. Have evidence he is still working on the property. Was mentioned to check out the property next to Meijer gas and the White Creek property south of 17 Mile.
- **Fire Department:** Had 48 calls in January. Had a fire on Antler with minimal damage. Brian Baker and Chase Johnson are resigning.

A motion was made by Willoughby to accept the resignations from Brian Baker and Chase Johnson, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.

Business/Topics of Discussion:

- **FY 2025/2026 Budget Amendments:** A motion was made by Ellick to approve the budget amendments as presented, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 5-0.
- **Affidavit for Agricultural Building Exemption from Building Permit:** Ellick made a motion to accept the Affidavit for Agricultural Building Exemption from Building Permit form, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.
- **2026/2027 Lawn & Snow Estimate:** Tabled to Board Meeting.
- **Michigan Township Association Principles of Governance:** A motion was made by Willoughby to accept the MTA Principles of Governance and make it a Township Policy, seconded by Ellick. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Fire Fighters Wage Increase:** A motion was made by Ellick to increase the volunteer firefighters pay to \$16.00/hr for no qualifications, \$20.00/hr for medical or fire qualified, \$25/hr for fully qualified and a \$500 per year increase for officers discontinuing bonuses and duty shift weekends effective April 1, 2026, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 4-0 with Stout abstaining.
- **Assessor Wage Increase:** Tabled to Board Meeting.
- **Admin Assistants Wage Increase:** Tabled to Board Meeting.
- **Committee Members Wage Increase:** Tabled to Board Meeting.
- **Resolutions for Elected Officials Salary FY 2026/2027:** Tabled to Board Meeting
- **Treasurer \$74.39 Transfer Approval:** A motion was made by Hoskins to approve a transfer from the tax fund in the amount of \$74.39, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 4-1.
- **Cedar Springs Community Library 2025/2026 Contribution:** Tabled to Board Meeting.
- **Resolution to Adopt 2026 Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test:** A motion was made by Ellick to approve the Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.
- **Accessibility of the Assessor's Office Policy:** A motion was made by Stout to approve the Accessibility of the Assessor's Office Policy, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 5-0.

Other Discussion: Discussed the funding of the library. Anielski had questions regarding HydroVac property. Set the budget hearing for March 23rd at 7:00 pm at Solon Township Hall.

Public Comment: none.

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Hoskins to adjourn, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.
NEXT MEETING – April 1, 2026