

OLON TOWNSHIP

Monthly Staff Meeting

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

Minutes

May 3, 2023

CALL TO ORDER 10:00 A.M.

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

Absent: none

Public: Jamie Gunderson

Departmental Activities

- **Assessing:** Gearing up for next assessment cycle. Database is rolled over to start work on the 2024 assessments. L-4029 was completed for 2023. Due to the fact that the CPI was so high we will not be experiencing a roll back on the Township millages. Have started work on the aerial reappraisal again this year as well as the 2024 land studies.
- **Building:** Getting busier. Saw a double increase from last month and also from this time last year.
- **Zoning:** Working on various properties. Bradley property just moved his trash to a relative's property. Will be following up. Dirt continues to be dumped on 17 Mile. Will address. 18 Mile/Algoma property will be receiving a letter to clean up the property.
- **Fire Department:** 52 calls in April. Brian Baker passed the fire fighter academy on April 25th. Bid(s) for firetruck deadline is May 5th at noon. Received an invoice for the SCBA. Chief getting with FEMA to see if they will be mailing the check. Have some new hires for board meeting including Tauriainen, Elenbaas, and Gunderson.

Business/Topics of Discussion:

- **FD Rehire Tauriainen:** Tabled to Board Meeting
- **D.A. Young Quote: Keyless Entry:** Tabled to Board Meeting.
- **BS&A Software Invoice:** Tabled to Board Meeting
- **County Pictometry Invoice:** Tabled to Board Meeting
- **22-23 Budget Amendments:** A motion was made by Ellick to approve the 22-23 budget amendments as presented, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 5-0.

- Spark Grant Contribution: Will need a letter from the township that states we are willing to put the equipment on the property, is responsible for maintenance, and that we own the property. Jamie will check to see if Prein & Newhof can prepare the letter.

A motion was made by Ellick that Solon is willing to contribute up to \$4000 to the Sparks grant, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

Jamie will follow up on the best way for Solon to make the contribution to the grant.

- Cedarfield Resolution Request: Will send to lawyer to look over, as prior owners did not request or have anything similar in place.
- Chapter 3 Ethics Policy Review: A motion was made by Stout to approve Chapter 3 Ethic Policy, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.
- Resolution for Tax Payment Penalties and Deadlines: Tabled to Board Meeting

Other Discussion –

The gas line is in from here to the new building.

Wiersma work continues. Should be travelable by the weekend.

Met with county road commission. Solon, Albrecht, 18 Mile and Hanna will all have work done this year.

A.J. Anielski and Bob Ellick met with Interim City Manager Darla Falcon. Discussed the library and ensuing contract. Our discussions about the current offering of library contract will continue.

Public Comment: none

Items for the Regular Township Board Meeting:

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ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Anielski to adjourn, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

NEXT MEETING – June 7, 2023