



Solon Township Hall
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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
June 13, 2022 @ 7:30 p.m.**

Meeting called to Order by Supervisor Ellick @ 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: A.J Anielski, Robert Ellick, Mark Hoskins, Jon Stout, Dorothy Willoughby

Members Absent: none

Also Present: Vicki and Hal Babcock, Kamey Krume-Howe

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Public Comment on Agenda Items – none.

Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Willoughby to approve agenda with the addition of the MTA invoice, seconded by Hoskins. The motion carried 5-0.

Approve Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Willoughby to approve consent agenda, seconded by Anielski. The motion carried 5-0.

- a. Approve minutes from Board Meeting – May 9, 2022
- b. Approve minutes from Staff Meeting – June 1, 2022
- b. Approve Bill List
- c. Clerk's Rev/Exp Report & Balance Sheets

Committee Reports

Cedar Springs Public Library: The library has had a busy month with the start of the summer reading program, a CTA visit, spring bingo, blood drive, friends of the library, library birthday party, and literacy carnival.

North Kent Community Enrichment: The voting of officers is happening at the July meeting. Have been discussing possibly changing the name, and changing by-laws to coincide with smaller number of representatives. Will be switching over to quick books program and leaning towards City of CS helping with books.

Old Business

Velzy Park: Had a concert in the park last week which was great but attendance was poor. Will work to get the word out for the next concerts. Hay in park should be cut by the end of this

week. Once the hay is cut, the Chief will be able to spray the weeds on the trail to prep for paving.

Multipurpose building: A motion was made by Willoughby to accept the bid for the new multipurpose building in the amount of \$311,629.99, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.

Joel Austin: Tabled to staff meeting.

New Business

- **FD New Hires:** Tabled to July 11 Board Meeting.
- **FD Officer Pay:** Tabled to July 11 Board Meeting.
- **Young Office Security Quotes:** Tabled to July 6 Staff Meeting.
- **Pictometry Invoice**
A motion was made by Ellick to approve the invoice from Kent County for pictometry in the amount of \$3099.19, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.
- **Zoning Enforcement Prospect: Ronald Perrin**
A motion was made by Hoskins to hire Ronald Scott on a 90 day trial basis at \$18/hr, subject to a clear background check, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.
- **Art Gerhardt Wages**
A motion was made by Anielski to approve Art Gerhardt's contractual rate of \$50/hr for Treasurer training, seconded by Ellick. Motion carried 5-0.
- **Vector Solutions Invoice:**
A motion was made by Willoughby to approve the invoice from Vector Solutions in the amount of \$2244.80 for the fire department software, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 5-0.
- **MTA Invoice:**
A motion was made by Hoskins to accept the MTA invoice for membership dues in the amount of \$4313.91, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion Items:

Cedarfield: A motion was made by Anielski to vote for first right of refusal for the Cedarfield Septage, seconded by Hoskins. Motion failed 0-5.

Echo Park: Discussed possible solutions for marking the park, which is township property, so it is more clear to both visitors and those who live near the park. Board members will continue thinking about possible solutions.

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Lawncare/Cemetery: Discussed the idea of buying a small tractor to use for lawncare and sexton duties.

Correspondence

Trustee Stout: none.

Trustee Hoskins: County is doing a lot of road work which is looking good.

Clerk: IRS mileage reimbursement going up to 62.5 cents July 1. Ballots going out last week in June for August 2 Primary Election.

Supervisor: Bob will talk to the attorney regarding how to approach Vista View to rebuild their escrow. Will also ask the attorney about possible escrow for Cedarfield sewer. Public hearing for paving of Wiersma had four people show up in favor. A/C coil is low on gas and coil keeps freezing. A repairman will be in to fix.

Treasurer: Choice One asking for all of our accounts to be with them. Explained it's best to keep our money diversified.

Additional public comments: They have had issues getting a footing placed in the cemetery. Clerk will follow up with sexton.

Motion to adjourn by Willoughby, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0. **Meeting adjourned @ 9:08 p.m.**

NEXT MEETING: July 11, 2022.