



Solon Township Hall
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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Solon Township Board of Trustees
May 8, 2023 @ 7:30 p.m.**

Meeting called to Order by Supervisor Ellick @ 7:32 p.m.

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

Members Absent: none.

Also Present: Kamey Krume-Howe, Chief Rich Hays, Duane Gritter, Tim Larabel.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Public Comment on Agenda Items – Tim Larabel spoke to his ongoing neighborly dispute regarding an easement.

Approve Agenda

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

Approve Consent Agenda

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

- a. Approve minutes from Board Meeting – April 10, 2023
- b. Approve corrected minutes from Staff Meeting – May 3, 2023
- b. Approve Bill List
- c. Clerk's Rev/Exp Report & Balance Sheets

Committee Reports

Cedar Springs Public Library: Activities at the library this month included story time, book club, blood drive, fitness class, various CTA visits, writers' group, style event, and crafters. Coming up this month: intergenerational tea. Friends of the Library still looking for more friends.

North Kent Community Enrichment: No updates on spark grant. NKCE is submitting a grant for eight pickle ball courts and a paved parking area here at Velzy park. The township has agreed to contribute \$4,000 to the project.

Old Business

Velzy Park: The trail was mowed this past week. NKCE submitting grant with DNR for pickleball courts.

Multipurpose building: The gas is hooked up now, with the meter being installed tomorrow.

New Business

- **FD Hires: Tauriainen, Elenbaas & Gunderson:**
A motion was made by Ellick to hire Tauriainen, Elenbaas, & Gunderson as volunteer firefighters, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 5-0.
- **FD VectorSolutions Renewal:**
A motion was made by Hoskins to accept the invoice from VectorSolutions in the amount of 2433.20, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.
- **D.A. Young Keyless Entry Quote:**
A motion was made by Ellick to accept the quote for keyless entry for the new building in the amount of \$4236.00, seconded by Willoughby. Motion carried 5-0.
- **BS&A Software Invoice:**
A motion was made by Ellick to approve the invoice from BS&A in the amount of \$2831, seconded by Anielski. Motion carried 5-0.
- **County Pictometry Invoice:** A motion was made by Willoughby to approve the Pictometry quote in the amount of \$2958.97, seconded by Hoskins. Motion carried 5-0.
- **KCRC Wiersma Invoice:**
A motion was made by Anielski to approve the KCRC invoice in the amount of \$42,917.99, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.
- **MCAO Assessor Class:**
A motion was made by Hoskins to approve the \$1000 Assessor Class fee for Dorothy Willoughby, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 4-0 with Willoughby abstaining.
- **Resolution for Tax Payment Penalties and Deadlines:**
A motion was made by Anielski to approve Resolution 23-08 Regarding Tax Payment Penalties and Deadlines, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion Items: none.

Correspondence

Trustee Stout: ZBA has been busy with some issues. At one meeting it was suggested we could require a traffic light study which would force MDOT's hand. Ellick questioned how we would be able to do that.

Trustee Hoskins: Planning Commission has been very busy including looking at residential solar and commercial solar issues.

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Clerk: none.

Supervisor: Found the broken pipe in the cemetery. Had conversation with residents with zoning violations on 19 Mile. Had a plumbing/mechanical inspection done which failed. The health department also paid them a visit.

Treasurer: Mentioned he and Supervisor Ellick had a sit-down meeting with the City of Cedar Springs interim manager Darla Falcon to discuss the library.

Additional public comments: Duane Gritter said he's been following what's going on in Greene Township and asked if we had something in place to protect property owners. Stated he would hope we would have residents interests in mind if we were approached about a similar matter.

Motion to adjourn by Anielski, seconded by Stout. Motion carried 5-0. **Meeting adjourned @ 8:43 p.m.**

NEXT MEETING: June 12, 2023.