

Solon Township
Annual Meeting
Saturday, March 25, 2023, 10:00 A.M.
Solon Township Hall
9191 S. Kasson St., Cedar, MI 49621

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Solon Township Annual Meeting was held on Saturday, March 25, 2023. The Annual Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jim Lautner at 10:00 A.M. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Supervisor Jim Lautner, Treasurer Joan Gauthier, Clerk Shirley Mikowski and Trustee Steve Yoder.

Present: Dale Gauthier, Tim Dowd, Mary Taylor, Ron Novak, Melinda Lautner, Amy Hubbell and Chief Andy Doornbos.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Joan Gauthier and supported by Shirley Mikowski to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

4. Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes

Clerk Mikowski read the minutes from the March 26, 2022 Annual Meeting minutes. Motion by Melinda Lautner and supported by Ron Novak to approve the March 26, 2022 Annual Meeting minutes with a correction under 9. Public Comment: He is begging to turn S. Hill Road into a county road even if it has to be a Special Assessment District should read ***S. Hill Road is a county road and asked it to be brought up to county road standards*** even if it has to be a Special Assessment District. Motion carried.

5. Public Comment

Melinda Lautner is this district's County Commissioner and reported that they continue to meet with BATA. The county would have two seats with a seven member board. Currently, they have two seats with a nine member board.

Ron Novak asked how the transition was going with the county with the new administrator. Melinda Lautner said the transition is going well with the new county administrator, Deb Allen. She is working very hard, has been well received and doing a great job.

Joan Gauthier asked Mrs. Lautner where the county is with the installation of broadband throughout the county and if it was coming through Cedar. Mrs. Lautner said it has been slow going, but will be going through Cedar. Joan said her internet has been getting worse and hopes there is a change really soon. Jim Lautner said there are signs with Point Broadband and there are plans to have this complete at the end of 2023.

Tim Dowd thought the increase on the BATA board would give Leelanau County three seats, because he applied and knows others that have as well. Mr. Dowd wanted to know if there was some way to put pressure on the board to increase our membership. Melinda Lautner said the application to the open position was specific to urban areas.

Tim Dowd noticed his property was on the map for Cherry Capital RDOF broadband. Melinda Lautner said Cherryland received rural development dollars for this area and will be laying the fiber in this area.

6. Township Budget/Approve 2023-2024 Budget

Supervisor Jim Lautner went over the proposed receipts and expenses budgeted for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Jim Lautner said the budgeted amount for 2023-2024 for State Revenue Sharing is \$ 170,000.00. Last fiscal year it was budgeted at \$165,000.00 and the township received \$175,893.00.

Township Tax is budgeted at \$72,000.00. Last fiscal year, it was budgeted at \$65,000.00 and we received \$66,887.81. This tax is based on the property assessments and the millage amount is .5632.

The Local Community Stabilization Share Tax is budgeted at \$600.00.

The Fire and Ambulance Operation millage is at 2.50 mills and should bring in approximately \$320,000.00. Last fiscal year it was budgeted at \$292,000.00 and we received \$296,180.06. This fund can only be used for the fire department.

The Metro Act Fund is budgeted at \$4,900.00 and is used for streets and sidewalks.

The 1% Administration Fee is budgeted at \$30,000.00.

The Parks and Recreation Fund is money the Parks Committee has raised with donations, fundraisers, pop can drives, etc. and they can determine how to spend that money.

The township has received \$113,652.69 in ARPA Funds. Some of the ARPA Funds are be used to purchase a zero turn mower that will cost approximately \$10,000.00. Some of the funds may be used to upgrade the township hall with offices. We have until December 2024 to decide on how to spend the fund, and they will need to be spent by December 31, 2026. These funds cannot be used for old expenses; only on new projects.

The supervisor's salary remained at \$10,000.00.

The assessor's salary is budgeted at \$18,000.00 and was \$16,600.00. The assessor's salary is based on the number of parcels they have to assess.

The clerk's salary is budgeted at \$19,000.00 and was \$18,500.00.

The treasurer's salary is budgeted at \$17,000.00 and was at \$16,000.00.

The trustee's per diem remained at \$105.00.

The Sidewalk/Roads is budgeted at \$5,000.00. The township is working with the Leelanau County Road Commission in putting crosswalks in Cedar.

The Board of Review has to attend training once every two years.

The Cemetery budget includes funding to have the cemetery surveyed so several of the roads can be closed to give the township more cemetery lots.

Parks is now budgeted with two line items: Parks Maintenance - \$35,000.00 and Parks Improvements (new line item) - \$30,000.00.

The annual support Fire and Ambulance is \$294,176.15 which is paid with the 2.50 millage collected. Any amount that is collected above the budgeted amount is put into the Fire Sinking Fund. This pays for the extra expenses that may come up for the fire department building. The township paid \$26,786.38 for a new roof this year which came out of the Fire Sinking Fund. Centerville Township also paid the same amount.

Tim Dowd noticed there was not a line item in the budget for the NMRC rowing club. Shirley Mikowski said they are paying \$100.00 a month that goes into the Parks Fund. She also noted that the \$100.00 may not sound like a large enough fee, but they have made up for it in all of the maintenance they have done and they have painted the outbuildings. It has been truly a benefit for the township.

Ron Novak questioned the budgeted amount for a deputy treasurer for \$2,000.00 and a deputy clerk for \$2,000.00. Mr. Novak wanted to know what their duties are. Joan Gauthier explained that they are to assist and get paid \$20.00 an hour. Mr. Novak suggested they attend the meetings to free up the treasurer and clerk. Jim Lautner said they cannot vote at a meeting.

Motion by Dale Gauthier and supported by Tim Dowd to approve the Solon Township Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as proposed. Motion carried. .

7. Fire Department

Chief Doornbos gave an update on the Cedar Area Fire and Rescue and also reviewed the 2022 Annual Report as follows: (The report can be found on leelanau.gov):

- Thanked the township for the new roof. The roof was completed in approximately 2 ½ days.
- Joe Voiles came in 11th place in strongest firefighters' competition. There were approximately 160 guys.
- Ken Fritz played in the Guns & Hoses.
- Three people were hired with one of them already trained as a paramedic. There will be three man shifts beginning in April.
- One member will be going to paramedic class and fortunately there is state funding available, so we will only have to pay for his time.
- Joe Voiles and Matt Maus passed their paramedic class, so beginning in April, there will be at least one medic per shift.

Melinda Lautner asked if there are requirements as far as age. Chief Doornbos said there is no age requirement, but there is a physical requirement. A support service can be developed.

Tim Dowd noted that half of the staff is part time. Chief Doornbos said that most that are part time work full time jobs elsewhere. We do have a system where they can get a notification on their phone.

Ron Novak appreciates all the work that the fire department does for us. Mr. Novak said the pipe in the river works fine for getting water for the trucks. He also noted the camera on the side of the building that was installed for the recycling site never worked.

Jim Lautner said Chief Doornbos is a local boy and was raised in Long Lake Township.

Melinda Lautner thanked the fire department for hosting the Nachazel fundraising event.

8. Other Business

There was none.

9. Public Comment

Mary Taylor, Co-Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee, gave the following report (a written report is attached):

- They are working to get input from the public about the parks and hoping to work with Fleis&Vandenbrink to have public forums.
- Working on applying for the Spark Grant for up to one million dollars.
- Mary said it was like Christmas when all the items that were ordered arrived. This will make things a little more professional.

10. Announcements

Jim Lautner announced there is a special meeting following this meeting to adopt the budget and all are welcome to attend.

The Cedar Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an egg hunt "Egg-Extravaganza" on Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. at the ballfields (weather permitting). Otherwise, it will be held at the Solon Township Hall.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Joan Gauthier and supported by Shirley Mikowski to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley I. Mikowski
Solon Township Clerk

2022 Annual Park & Recreation Report

Accomplishments:

The Solon Township Board (Board) together with Parks and Recreation Committee (Committee) worked with Fleis and Vandenbrink (a Design & Build Company) to survey residents and research park facilities in the area to complete a comprehensive 5-year Park Plan for Solon Township. The Plan was successfully uploaded to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) as a prerequisite for application to future DNR grant opportunities.

A Township Parks clean-up day was held on May 14th from 10 until noon. The major achievements on that day were trash collection, bush trimming, Annual Playground Inspection, mulching near the Town Hall and installation of simple boat wash stations at the Solon Beach Park and The Cedar River Park. Lists of needed repairs in the parks were also compiled. We thank the volunteers and Cedar River Coffee Company for providing coffee during the work session.

The Committee also worked with the County Offices to establish addresses for each of the parks. Once the addresses were established the green reflective 911 signs were put in place at each of the Parks. This provides location assistance for any emergency vehicles as well as allows individuals to locate the parks through their GPS devices.

The Committee members each took on the responsibility of liaison for one of the parks. Their duties included submitting pictures for the Park's Facebook page, visiting their assigned park at least once a week (during the summer) to check the general condition of the park and notify the appropriate individuals if there were any emergency needs at the park.

Through coordination with the Committee, the Board established an agreement with the Northern Michigan Rowing Club (NMRC) to launch and store their boats at the Solon Beach Park. The NMRC participants made improvements to the property as well as helped maintain the park. The partnership was deemed very successful by the committee, park neighbors and club members. The park was utilized more often, and the club maintained a watchful eye on the park.

The Committee increased the recreational programming at the Town Hall. Enrollment in the Tai Chi class has increased, Walking with Friends through the Cedar Area Community Foundation was reestablished and once a month Yoga classes were started. We also assisted the Cedar Chamber of Commerce with two Outdoor Summer Movie nights by providing refreshments for donations.

The "grub shack" at the softball fields and Town Hall kitchen were both evaluated by the Health Department for the purpose of food preparation. The grub shack was "unfit" for food preparation so only selling prepackaged food (snacks) could be allowed. The Health Department would allow grilling hamburgers and hot dogs if we did it outside the grub shack building and had a source of water nearby. Unfortunately, we did not have enough volunteers to follow through with providing snacks during the ball games in the summer as a fundraiser.

An estimate was obtained to improve the hood over the stove in the Town hall to bring it into compliance with health codes to make it a "commercial" kitchen. The cost was estimated at \$30K to \$40K for the hood alone. To be considered a "Commercial Kitchen" we would also have to install stainless steel counter tops. It was thought that if the kitchen was brought up to code it could be used for fundraising activities including cooking classes. We determined that it was unfeasible to go forward with the project at this time.

A Public Forum was advertised and then conducted on Thursday, January 19, 2023. It was well attended given it turned out to be a stormy night. Large aerial photographs of each of the parks were displayed. A discussion about funding options for park maintenance and improvements was held. Then we gathered input from the attendees about the current condition of the parks and what features and improvements the public wished to see in the future. Information was gathered, recorded, and compiled for presentation to the Board.

Fundraising:

The Free Movie night held on February 18 by the Committee was a success and we collected another \$118 in donations to the park. Together with \$100 sponsorships by both Leelanau Construction and the Cedar Area Community Foundation we were able to defray the expenditures to hold the event. Through the Committee's fundraising efforts, collection of returnable bottles and cans, fees for Tai Chi classes, and holding movie nights, \$1,999.60 was raised this year which brings our total to \$10,005.70 in our account as "matching" funds for future grants.

Recommendations:

There are two very important safety improvements we would like to see at the Solon Beach Park. A buoy/rope partition to separate the boat launch from the swimming area, and a "Life Ring" placed at the dock. Children have been seen crossing over into the launch area without paying notice to people launching or retrieving their watercraft. A life ring on the dock may also be warranted.

On June 9th Committee members Kelly Claar and Mary Taylor met with the summer softball coaches. The Board agreed to split the cost of "Diamond Dust" with the Cedar Chamber of Commerce. There were numerous other "needs" identified by the coaches including the need for new bleachers in various places, shade structures for the dugout areas for the pee wee league, an additional porta-john to be placed closer to the pee wee field as the younger children often could not make it to the other locations "in time". There were some unresolved issues with mowing grass and weeding of the ball fields which will have to be addressed before the 2023 ball season. It is recommended that the Committee and coaches meet again in the Spring to address the needs for the softball program, discuss a new use agreement, and obtain practice and game schedules to better address their needs.

The Committee feels that the Board should continue working with Fleis and Vandenbrink to assess the community's desire for elements to keep or build in the parks. Once they have obtained adequate public input; visioning sessions with the Board, Committee and constituents should occur to propose realistic plans and site drawings for our parks. When this work is

finished the Board could apply for funding through grants and other resources to repair and improve Solon Township's parks.

Acknowledgements:

We lost three valued members of the Committee this year. Ron Novak, Kathleen Hughes and Zach Baker. However, we were successful in having 4 new members appointed by the board, three of which remain. We welcome Grace Yoder, County Commissioner Melinda Lautner and Kim Smith as members of the Committee. We would gladly welcome additional community members who would be willing to be active and volunteer with the Committee to help maintain the parks, our recreational programs, and fundraising efforts.

We thank everybody who had a part in the relocation of the problematic recycling site out of the park. Because of your efforts, the road near the river will be more easily maintained, and we should have less trash blowing through the park or polluting the river and swamp.

The Committee thanks the Board for purchasing two game cameras for posting pictures on the Solon Township Parks' Facebook page, two new bulletin boards for the Solon Town Hall and ball parks, as well as signage for advertising events at the hall or the parks. We look forward to continuing our work with the Township Board toward providing the community with safe and inviting places for recreation, spending leisure time and sporting opportunities.

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SOLON TOWNSHIP FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2024-2025

PROPOSED RECEIPTS 2024-2025

State Shared Revenues	170,000.00
Hall Rental	1,500.00
Township Tax	72,000.00
Taxes: Interest Earned	25.00
Swamp Tax	2,900.00
Local Comm Stab Share Tax/PPT	600.00
Cemetery	2,000.00
Permits and Fees	5,000.00
Fire and Ambulance Operation Millage 2.50 mills	358,000.00
Interest	4,000.00
Charges for Services	0.00
Metro Act Fund	1,500.00
State Education Tax	3,200.00
1% Administration Fee	32,000.00

Cedar River Marina Project (Non-Budget Item)

Parks and Recreation (Non-Budget Item)

ARPA Funds (Non-Budget Item)

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS 2024-2025 652,725.00

PLUS ACTUAL FUNDS AVAILABLE **537,129.62**

OTHER FUNDS

Road Improvement (Gov't Oper)	15,380.17
Fire Sinking (NWS)	103,594.05
Sidewalk Fund (5th/3rd)	<u>19,567.01</u>
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS	138,541.23

TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME **1,189,854.62**

Cedar River Marina Project (Non-Township Fund) 24,535.86

Parks and Recreation 13,348.95

ARPA Funds 12,085.33

ESTIMATED EXPENSES 2024-2025

Supervisor Salary	10,000.00
Supervisor Operating	0.00
Assessor Salary	18,000.00
Assessor Operating	1,500.00
Clerk Salary	22,000.00
Clerk Operating	5,000.00
Deputy Clerk	2,000.00
Treasurer Salary	18,000.00

Treasurer Operating	5,000.00
Deputy Treasurer	2,000.00
Trustee Board Salaries	4,500.00

TOWNSHIP BOARD EXPENSES

Public Utilities	12,000.00
Advertising	3,000.00
Professional/Legal/Audit Fees	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Sidewalks/Roads	5,000.00
Service Charge	12,000.00

Board of Review	3,000.00
Planning Commission Budget	14,000.00
Board of Appeals	2,000.00
Zoning Administrator	24,000.00

Cemetery Operating	10,000.00
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SOLON TWP. HALL EXPENSES:

Custodian Salary	3,000.00
Hall Lights	1,500.00
Hall Gas	4,000.00
Hall Operating	5,000.00

Pension	8,000.00
Elections	20,000.00
Insurance	11,000.00
Parks Maintenance	35,000.00
Parks Improvements	35,000.00
Twp. Annual Support of Fire and Amb. 2.50 mills	326,993.77

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES 2024-2025	638,493.77
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ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND	5,000.00
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CONTINGENCY:	5,000.00
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FUND BALANCE:	402,819.62
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OTHER FUNDS	138,541.23
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TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES:	1,189,854.62
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 Cash Basis

Solon Township
Profit & Loss
 April 2023 through March 2024

	Apr '23 - Mar 24
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
690 · Parks and Recreation	13,921.21
678 ELECTION REIMBURSEMENT	2,067.54
578 · Metro Act Fund	11,456.36
400 · REVENUES	
676 · Refunds and Reimbursements	224.98
History of Solon Twp	45.00
401 · Taxes	
441 · LOCAL COMM STAB SHARE TAX	678.88
406 · Interest Earned	27.12
404 · FIRE ALLOC FUND	319,693.37
405 · Swamp Tax	2,909.49
403 · State Education Tax	3,220.00
402 · Administration Fee	30,628.24
401 · Taxes - Other	72,045.66
Total 401 · Taxes	429,202.76
574 · State Shared Revenues	168,705.00
668 · Rents and Royalties	2,100.00
694 · Other Receipts	4,500.73
450 · Licenses and Permits	4,985.00
665 · Interest earned-Savings	3,916.40
667 · Hall Deposits	2,100.00
650 · Cemetery	2,250.00
Total 400 · REVENUES	618,029.87
Total Income	645,474.98
Gross Profit	645,474.98
Expense	
ARPA PURCHASES	101,567.36
void	0.00
101 · TOWNSHIP BOARD	
101-930 - Sidewalks/Roads	10,443.43
101-920 · Public Utilities	8,655.15
101-900 · Township Board Advertisements	2,417.67
101-957 · Service Charge	10,873.29
101-956 · Miscellaneous	878.95
101-801 · Professional fees	10,482.50
101-702 · Trustee Salaries	3,360.00
Total 101 · TOWNSHIP BOARD	47,110.99
300 · PUBLIC SAFETY	
300-725 · ANNUAL FIRE/EMS SUPPORT	294,176.16
Total 300 · PUBLIC SAFETY	294,176.16
Pension and Withholding	8,249.71
209 · ASSESSOR	
209-850 · Communications/Postage	270.72
209-727 · Office Supplies	67.99
209 · ASSESSOR - Other	18,000.00
Total 209 · ASSESSOR	18,338.71
247 · BOARD OF REVIEW	
247-702 · Compensation	2,160.00
247-900 · Printing & Publishing	217.27
247-956 · Miscellaneous Expense	578.00
Total 247 · BOARD OF REVIEW	2,955.27
276 · CEMETERY	
276-860 · Cemetery-mileage	327.53

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 Cash Basis

Solon Township
Profit & Loss
 April 2023 through March 2024

	Apr '23 - Mar 24
276-702 · Salaries	1,990.00
276-956 · Miscellaneous	2,762.50
Total 276 · CEMETERY	5,080.03
215 · CLERK	
215-850 · Communications/Postage	316.00
215-702 · Salary	18,999.96
215-727 · Office Supplies	737.25
215-851 · Phone Calls	1,507.14
215-860 · Transportation	94.50
Total 215 · CLERK	21,654.85
191 · ELECTIONS	
191-900 · Printing & Publishing	38.65
191-702 · Salaries	3,300.75
191-740 · Miscellaneous Supplies	3,105.81
Total 191 · ELECTIONS	6,445.21
910 · INSURANCE & BONDS	10,157.00
755 · PARKS	
755-977 · Equipment	13,362.88
755-930 · Repairs and Maintenance	13,867.71
Total 755 · PARKS	27,230.59
950 · FRINGE BENEFITS	4,826.57
410 · PLANNING COMMISSION	
410-956 · Miscellaneous	40.00
410-801 · Professional Fees	1,100.00
410-702 · Salaries	4,899.50
410-900 · Advertisements	334.84
410-860 · Mileage	85.12
410-727 · Office Supplies & Postage	1,421.33
Total 410 · PLANNING COMMISSION	7,880.79
171 · SUPERVISOR	
171-702 · Salary	9,999.96
Total 171 · SUPERVISOR	9,999.96
265 · TOWNSHIP HALL	
265-703 · Hall Deposit Refund	2,150.00
265-740 · Supplies	139.56
265-702 · Salaries	1,920.00
265-921 · Lights	1,056.38
265-741 · Oil and Gas	2,311.66
265-930 · Repairs and Maintenance	1,014.15
Total 265 · TOWNSHIP HALL	8,591.75
253 · TREASURER	
253-702 · Salary	17,000.04
253-850 · Communications/Postage	778.00
253-727 · Office Supplies	240.23
253-851 · Phone Calls	1,288.14
253-860 · Transportation	370.57
Total 253 · TREASURER	19,676.98
411 · ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	
411-702 · Salary	24,000.00
Total 411 · ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	24,000.00
Total Expense	617,941.93
Net Ordinary Income	27,533.05
Net Income	27,533.05

SOLON TOWNSHIP FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2023-2024 AMENDED 05-11-2023 A

PROPOSED RECEIPTS 2023-2024		ACTUAL
State Shared Revenues	170,000.00	\$168,705.00
Hall Rental	1,000.00	\$2,100.00
Township Tax	72,000.00	\$72,045.66
Taxes: Interest Earned	125.00	\$27.12
Swamp Tax	2,700.00	\$2,909.49
Local Comm Stab Share Tax/PPT	600.00	\$678.88
Cemetery	1,500.00	\$2,250.00
Permits and Fees	5,000.00	\$4,985.00
Fire and Ambulance Operation Millage 2.50 mills	320,000.00	\$319,693.37
Interest	300.00	\$3,916.40
Charges for Services	0.00	\$0.00
Metro Act Fund	4,900.00	\$11,456.36
State Education Tax	3,100.00	\$3,220.00
1% Administration Fee	30,000.00	\$30,628.24
Cedar River Marina Project (Non-Budget Item)		
Parks and Recreation (Non-Budget Item)		\$13,921.21
ARPA Funds (Non-Budget Item)		
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS 2023-2024	611,225.00	\$622,615.52
PLUS ACTUAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	443,460.67	\$537,129.62
OTHER FUNDS		
Road Improvement (Gov't Oper)	10,349.09	15,380.17
Fire Sinking (NWS)	93,372.69	103,594.05
Sidewalk Fund (5th/3rd)	17,781.65	19,567.01
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS	121,503.43	138,541.23
TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME	1,176,189.10	1,159,745.14
<i>Cedar River Marina Project (Non-Township Fund)</i>	24,200.98	24,535.86
<i>Parks and Recreation</i>	10,005.30	13,348.95
<i>ARPA Funds</i>	113,652.69	12,085.33
ESTIMATED EXPENSES 2023-2024		
Supervisor Salary	10,000.00	9999.96
Supervisor Operating	0.00	0.00
Assessor Salary	18,000.00	18000.00
Assessor Operating	1,500.00	338.71
Clerk Salary	19,000.00	18999.96
Clerk Operating	5,000.00	2498.66
Deputy Clerk	2,000.00	100.00
Treasurer Salary	17,000.00	17000.04
Treasurer Operating	4,000.00	2676.94

Deputy Treasurer	2,000.00		80.00
Trustee Board Salaries	4,000.00		3360.00
TOWNSHIP BOARD EXPENSES			
Public Utilities	10,000.00		8,655.15
Advertising	2,000.00		2,417.67
Professional/Legal/Audit Fees	8,000.00		10,482.50
Miscellaneous	1,000.00		878.95
Sidewalks/Roads	5,000.00		10,443.43
Service Charge	10,000.00		10,873.29
Board of Review	3,000.00		2,955.27
Planning Commission Budget	14,000.00		7,880.79
Board of Appeals	2,000.00		0.00
Zoning Administrator	24,000.00		24,000.00
Cemetery Operating	7,500.00		5,080.03
SOLON TWP. HALL EXPENSES:		Amended	
Custodian Salary	3,000.00		1,920.00
Hall Lights	1,500.00		1,056.38
Hall Gas	4,000.00		2,311.66
Hall Operating	5,000.00		1,153.71
Pension	8,000.00		8,249.71
Elections	7,000.00		6,445.21
Insurance	9,500.00	\$ 10,149.00	10,157.00
Parks Maintenance	35,000.00		21,674.81
Parks Improvements (NEW)	30,000.00		5,555.78
Twp. Annual Support of Fire and Amb. 2.50 mills	294,176.15		294,176.16
ANTICIPATED EXPENSES 2023-2024	566,176.15		\$509,421.77
ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND	5,000.00		\$5,000.00
CONTINGENCY:	5,000.00		0
FUND BALANCE:	478,509.52		\$506,782.14
OTHER FUNDS	121,503.43		138,541.23
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES:	1,176,189.10		1,159,745.14

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024

SOLON TOWNSHIP

FUNDS AVAILABLE:

Huntington Bank Checking	\$ 38,724.84
ARPA FUNDS INCLUDED IN CHECKING:	<u>12,085.33</u>
TOTAL AVAILABLE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 26,639.51
Huntington Bank General Savings (2010)	408,390.11
Huntington Bank General Savings CD (Renewed @ 4.65%)	<u>102,100.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL SAVINGS	510,490.11
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	537,129.62

OTHER TOWNSHIP FUNDS:

Huntington Bank Road Improvement Fund (2049)	\$ 10,380.17
Huntington Bank Road Improvement Fund CD (@4.65%)	<u>5,000.00</u>
	15,380.17

Huntington Bank Fire Fund CD (Renewed @ 4.2%)	62,754.05
Huntington Bank Fire Fund CD (Renewed @ 4.65%)	40,840.00
Huntington Fire Fund Savings (2023)	<u>16,217.51</u>
TOTAL FIRE FUND	103,594.05

Huntington Bank Sidewalk Fund (2036)	11,618.53
Huntington Bank Sidewalk Fund CD (Renewed @ 4.65%)	<u>7,948.48</u>
TOTAL SIDEWALK FUND	19,567.01

OTHER TOWNSHIP FUNDS AVAILABLE \$ **138,541.23**

TOTAL \$ **675,670.85**

Non-Township Funds

Huntington Bank Cedar River Marina Project (7383)	10,037.66
Huntington Bank Cedar River CD (Renewed @ 4.65%)	<u>14,498.20</u>
Total Cedar River	\$ 24,535.86

Parks and Recreation ----\$13,348.95

**Solon Township
Zoning Administrator's
2023 ANNUAL REPORT**

January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

3/9/2024

To: Solon Township Board
From: Timothy A. Cypher

Land Use Permits Issued:	30	Last Year	34
Signs / Home Occupation	0		0
Single Family Residences (SFR)	17		20
Additions to SFR	0		6
Garages / or additions to	3		0
Decks & Porches / MISC.	2		3
Accessory Buildings	4		4
Commercial Construction	2		1
Stairs & Landings	0		0
Agriculture construction	2		0
Demolitions	0		0
Boathouse	0		0
Solar Panels	0		0
Renewal of / Change of use	3		1
Z.B.A. proceedings	0		
Special Land Use Permits	2	Nyberg Holdings, Tangled Real Estate	
Zoning Ordinance Amendments	0		
Land Divisions	2	Schaub/Bright, Cowan	
Property Line Adjustments	2	Faber/McClain, Vidor	
Private Roads / Driveways	0		
Zoning / Site Plan Reviews	1	Yoder Boxes	
Construction Inspections	39		
Violations/Investigations	5		
Fees Received (approximately)	\$5,285		

I attended Planning Commission meetings and a few Township Board meetings as requested.
I also supplied information via 285 phone msgs. & 159 responses via email to Twp. residents/others.
The Planning Commission worked on and made recommendations to the Township Board.

Zoning Administrator
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SOLON TOWNSHIP FIRE AND AMBULANCE MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be levied against all properties in the Township of Solon, Leelanau County, Michigan, for all purposes be increased as provided by Section 6, Article 9 of the Michigan Constitution by an amount not to exceed 02.50 mills (\$2.50 per thousand dollars of taxable value) as established by the State of Michigan on all properties in Solon Township for a period of two years (2024 and 2025) to be used for equipment and operation of the fire and ambulance departments within the Township, and shall the Township levy such increase in millage for such purpose(s) during such period which will raise in the year 2024 an estimated \$358,000.00 and in the year 2025 an estimated \$375,000.00?

- Yes**
- No**

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