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**Lee Township  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes**

**December 10, 2007**

The regular meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:31 p.m. at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Pullman, MI 49450

Members Present: Trustee Christensen, Treasurer Lowery, Supervisor Schlack and Clerk King. Absent: Trustee Black.

Board Member's Comments: No comments

Citizen's Comments: - No comments

*Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on 11/12/07 as presented with corrections. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.*

*Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by King to receive the Treasurer's report as presented. Roll call vote was taken. Yes – Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Commissioner's Report:** Commissioner Jessup passed out his monthly newsletter highlighting the current issues and events in Allegan County. He spoke on the Sauk Trails Resource Conservation and Development, the relocation of the Probate Court, Snowmobile Safety classes to be offered in December and the Lower Scott Lake Improvement Board meeting. Lastly he wished everyone a joyous holiday.

**Deputies Report:** Deputy Arnsman reported that during the month of November, there were 102 complaints.

**Fire Department:** During the month of November, Chief DeWeerd reported 8 fire calls. He also reported that they were able to purchase the new fire truck with the addition of lights still under the approved amount. The truck that was used previously will be placed for bid on ebay. During last month's meeting, a request was made for a new furnace in Station 2. There were some discrepancies in the quotes that were presented by Fleet and more research will be done before a replacement will be purchased.

**Ambulance Report:** No report.

**First Responders Report:** Total calls for November were 27, which included 21 medicals, 2 assists, 2 fire and 2 unknown. Current totals for the year; are at 335 calls

**Building Inspector's Report:** During the month of November there were 3 building, 2 plumbing, and 7 electrical permits issued. Building Inspector Shamblin answered questions regarding substandard housing.

**Cemetery Report:** No report

**Library Report:** No report

**Transfer Station Report:** Total money collected for the month of November was \$337.00 with 32 coupons.

**Lake Board Report:** No report.

**Newsletter Committee Report:** Next edition is scheduled to be out in March. Deadline for new articles will be the end of January. Suggestion was made that a request for new First Responders be in the next edition.

**Assessor's Report:** Board of Review for December is scheduled for tomorrow the 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. December's review is for clerical corrections and errors of mutual fact. The re-valuation fieldwork is almost complete and the imputing is being done.

**Holiday Committee Report:** L. Galdikas thanked all those that worked so hard to make the Holiday Tree Lighting Social a great success.

**Pullman Pride Committee Report:** No report.

**"Clean Team" Report:** No report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**District Library:** Discussion took place between board members regarding the proposed request for funds by the Fennville Library. Clerk King was concerned about the fee that would be imposed on the township residents might hinder some from being able to use the library. Trustee Christensen felt that this matter might need to be reviewed for a possible millage in the future, but a decision would need to be made to keep the services available to the residents. Treasurer Lowery stated that the South Haven Library charges a fee for cards, but does not require an addition yearly payment. Supervisor Schlack and Trustee Christensen will revisit the Fennville library for additional information for further discussion.

## NEW BUSINESS

*Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to approve the Land Division as presented and approved by the Assessor for Sanchez –0312-004-010-00. All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.*

*Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to approve the Land Division with the condition of receiving land description of the remainder of the parcel as approved by Assessor for Wallace (0312-005-001-00). All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.*

*Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to approve the Land Division with the condition of legal description matching the survey as approved by Assessor for Taylor (0312-012-001-60 ). All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.*

*Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to approve the Land Division with conditions as presented by the Assessor for VanErkel at 5079 Osterout, Grand Junction. All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.*

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*Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Lowery to approved the Land Division with the conditions pending approval of builder inspector as approved by Assessor for Mark and Patricia LaVanture on 102/56<sup>th</sup>. All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.*

### **Acquisition**

**Land Acquisition** – Supervisor Schlack presented all the board members with information regarding a possible land acquisition for a future Fire Station. He indicated that our current fire department building was inadequate for what was need and required. They are running out of space for equipment, no shower facility and the exhaust from the trucks was not a healthy environment for the fire fighters preparing to respond to a fire or residents that are attending meetings during and after the truck have been disbursed on an emergency. The land that he was looking at was on 56<sup>th</sup> Street, north of 109<sup>th</sup>. He presented for future discussion.

**Budget Adjustments:**

General Fund:

101.958	Membership Dues	\$ 30.00
257.727	Office Supplies (Assessor)	\$1200.00
446.8811.2	Resurfacing Roads	\$5000.00
526.818.1	Contractual Service –sanitary	\$4100.00
691.818	Contractual Serv- Parks	\$ 45.00
691.933	Repairs & MTC Parks	\$ 114.00
	Drain –Drum	<u>\$ 202.00</u>
	Total	\$10,691.80

Decrease Fund Balance \$10,691.80

Fire Department

336.956	Miscellaneous	\$ 250.00
336.970	Capital Outlay	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
	Total	\$30,250.00

Decrease Fund Balance \$30,250.00

First Responders

651.960	Education & Training	\$5500.00
651.867	Gas & Oil	<u>\$ 550.00</u>
	Total	\$6050.00

Decrease Fund Balance \$6050.00

*Motion was made by Lowery and seconded Christensen as presented with budget adjustment with correction as noted. Roll call vote: Yes – Christensen, Lowery, Schlack, King. Motion carries.*

**Adoption of Federal Poverty Exemption:** *Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to adopt the Federal Poverty Exemption Guidelines. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Christensen, Lowery, Schlack, King. Motion carries.*

*Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to accept the determination level of asset for the Federal Poverty Exemption as recommended by the Assessor. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.*

**Payment of the Bills:**

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*Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to authorize payment of the bills in the amount of 86,035.58 as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Christensen, Lowery, Schlack, King. Motion carries.*

**Citizen's Comment:** Two citizens commented on question on poverty exemptions as well as announced the Seniors dinner at the Pullman school on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December with those with questions to call S. Anderson at the school.

**Correspondence:** None.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Minutes submitted by

Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk