## Lee Township Regular Board Meeting March 12, 2007

The regular meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:35 pm at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Pullman, Michigan.

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

Supervisor's Comments-Supervisor Schlack announced that the today was the first day of the Board of Review. Board of Review will also be held on, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm. to 9:00 p.m. with a wrap up session on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. He also announced that the Annual Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting would be taking place on March 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am. A special thank you was given to Sandra Kasinger and Cheryl Irey for all their dedicated service for their years as First Responders. The board members signed letters of appreciation for their years of service. Refreshments were served in their honor.

Citizen's Comments- A citizen stood and read her letter of discontentment with Building Inspector Shamblin. Three other citizens commented on the letter.

Commissioner Report: Commissioner Jessup handed out his written update on what was going on in the County. This report gave the results of the survey on "issues of importance" that was passed out to residents in a prior meeting. He spoke of the new location for the Probate Court, which would be moved back down to the Court house from their location at the Dumont Complex. Lastly he was happy to announce that the county labor contracts were being settled.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Lowery to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on 2/12/07 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting on 2/26/07 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to receive the treasurer's report as presented. Roll call vote was taken -Yes: Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and Clerk. Motion carries.

## Committee Reports:

Deputies Report: Deputy Greene gave the report for 2006. Total number of complaints for last year was 1456 with 698 handled by local deputies. During the month of February there were 72 complaints with 30 handled by local deputies. The complaints consisted of 11 traffic, 7 civil violations, 12 suspicious, 14 crimes again persons and 14 in a general category.

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Fire Department: During the month of February, there were 5 fire calls. Chief DeWeerd reported that the township would be eligible for a grant to cover the installation of a severe weather siren to be located at the township hall. Possible monies could be available for the installation of a second siren to be located at the Station #2. The sirens would be tested on a regular basis and would increase the protection of residents in the event of a tornado. Addition changes during the month included a revision with the contract with Clyde Township for 24/7 coverage to replace the current coverage of 6:00 am to 6:00 coverage. Upcoming changes in the forest fire protection coverage was the direct result of budget cuts with the DNR. The lower half of Michigan would not have forest fire coverage after the 1<sup>st</sup> of June.

Building Official: No improvements were made during the month of February. Only 2 mechanical permits were issued. The hours of the Building Inspector will now resume as normal.

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report- During the last period, 55 books were lent out and 1 new library card was issued. There have been many new additions in the Library and new summer programs will be announced in the near future.

Ambulance Report- Trustee Black requested to wait on giving the report until next month when he would have more information. He also announced that he had brochures for anyone interested in signing up with Ambu-care.

Transfer Station- Total money collected for the month of February was \$182.00 with 7 coupons collected.

Lake Board- Tom Jessup will act as the new chairperson of the Lower Scott Lake Association. Drain Commission Becky Rininger will serve as a trustee on the board with all other member holding their current positions.

First Responders- There were 24 calls during the month with 22 medicals and 1 fire assist. Currently on staff are 7-8 active First Responders and interested individuals are welcome to express their interest when the upcoming training is in place.

Newsletter Committee- The Spring edition has just been sent out and residents should be receiving their copy within a few days. Anyone not currently receiving a newsletter can contact Clerk King to be added to the mailing list. A copy can be viewed on the Official Lee Township website <a href="https://www.leetwp.org">www.leetwp.org</a>

Assessor's Report- No report.

Holiday Committee- Spring banners will be going up shortly.

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Pullman Pride Committee: The next Pullman Pride Committee meeting will be held on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. at the township hall. An announcement was made concerning the Easter Egg Hunt that is being provided by the Ray of Light Church and some of the staff of the Pullman Elementary school. Eggs, cake, punch and candy will be provided.

"Clean Team" Committee – A new committee was formed by a group of concerned citizens to undertake the cleanup of roadways in Lee Township. They plan to meeting two to three hours a month to clean-up the local roadsides. First scheduled clean up date will take place on April 22 (Earth Day). Volunteers are to meet at 1:00 pm at the township hall and clean up will take place until 4:00 pm. Volunteers are needed and any one interested can contact D. Allgaier-Lamberti.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No old business

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Land Divisions –No Land Divisions were presented to the board.

Transfer Station Job Descriptions - The Transfer Station job description were reorganized to separate the Attendants duties from the Supervisor's duties. Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Christensen to accept the proposed job description for the Transfer Station/ Parks Superintendent position on a temporary 6 months basis as a salaried position starting April 1<sup>st</sup>. Roll Call vote: Yes- Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Publish the Annual Budget Meeting/Annual Meeting Notice - Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the Clerk to publish the Annual Budget Meeting/Annual Meeting for the 31<sup>st</sup> of March at 10:00 am at the Lee Township Hall. Roll Call vote taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack, King. Motion Carries.

## Payment of Bills

Additions to the bills were: \$140.00 to General Fund and \$140.00 to Fire Department for the remainder of contracted snowplowing for 2006. Motion was made by Black and seconded by Christensen to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of \$44,674.00. Roll Call vote: Yes: Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Citizen's Comments: 6 citizens commented on the security lights of the township hall, repair of the awning at the front door of the township hall, announcement of the Easter Egg Hunt to take place sponsored by the Ray of Light Church and some of the staff of Pullman Elementary, request for the placement of a Port-o-John at the ball field before the first of April, and the request for a special meeting due to the discontentment on who was appointment on the Board of Review.

Correspondence – Two different items were presented for correspondence. First was a packet provided by the Concerned Citizens of Clyde and Lee Township pertaining to the Lower Scott Lake Association's dredging project. Secondly, a letter by resident S. Anderson concerning the review of the scheduled hours of contacted deputies.

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.