

**Lee Township
Regular Meeting
Minutes**

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January 14, 2008

The regular meeting of the Lee Township board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56th Street, Pullman, Michigan.

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

Board Comments: Supervisor Schlack commented on everyone being glad to see Trustee Black. Trustee Black was glad to be back and commended our First Responders for their prompt and efficient service when called to his home. Lastly Clerk King gave a quick reminder to vote in Tuesday's Primary.

Citizens Comments: No comments

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of 12/10/07 with corrections. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

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

Commissioner's Report: No Report

Committee Reports:

Deputies Report: Deputy Greene passed out to the board members stats regarding the number of calls during the course of the year. There were a total number of 1514 complaints during 2007, with 623 handled by township deputies. During the month of December, there were 104 complaints with 36 handled by township deputies.

Fire Department Report: During the month of December, there were 10 calls. Chief DeWeerd gave the yearly totals with 85 being the total calls, with property value at \$580,750.00 and property damage at \$241,750.00

He was pleased to announce that the truck that they listed on ebay, sold to the highest bidder at \$6,200.00. He also addressed the furnace at station 2 and the quotes that he had gotten for the replacement. He recommended using Hy-Tech with a quote of \$1480.00.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Lowery to approve the purchase of a new furnace from Hy-Tech in the amount of \$1480.00. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

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First Responders: During the month of December there were 37 calls, which included 29 medicals, 2 fire and 6 accidents. The annual total was 355 calls. This total was greater than the Fennville Ambulance's annual total.

First Responder's training has been in process and 6 students completed with 5 of the students taking and passing their test. One final student will take her test shortly. Of these students, 3 student also have taken and passed their National test. Great Job!

Ambulance Report: Trustee Black was not able to attend the meeting and will get the minutes to give a report at the next regular meeting.

Building Inspector: Inspector Shamblin reported that work was very slow and there hasn't been much improvements in the township during the last month. He also gave an update on changes in work done without licenses. The fine for doing contractor work without a license is a minimum of \$5,000 and the second offense is \$25,000 and up to a year in jail.

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report: During November and December there were 37 books taken out for loan and 2 new cards issued.

Transfer Station: Total money collected for the month of December was \$445.00 with 22 coupons redeemed.

Lake Board: No report

Newsletter Committee: Newsletter committee set the date of February 16th for the layout meeting and February 23rd for finalization. Anyone with information for the newsletter will need to present the information before February 16th.

Assessor's Report: Re-appraisal field work is finished. The information is being keyed in.

Holiday Committee: A thank you was given to those that donated items from the post Christmas sales. The Holiday committee was able to take down the holiday decoration in a record time of 4 hours, which was aided by the unseasonably warm weather.

Pullman Pride Committee: No report

Clean Team Committee: No report

OLD BUSINESS:

Library: Trustee Christensen gave a report to the board regarding the proposal that was given to the Lee Township Board at November's meeting. The proposal was a request of \$3,500.00 from the township's general fund and a new charge of \$25.00 for new or renewed card. This included anyone who wished to purchase an additional card for their family members would be charges an addition \$10.00 for each card after the initial \$25.00 fee. She stated that we are required to make

available to our residents a district library and the Pullman Library would not qualify. Clerk King had reservations on the \$25.00 fee with concerns that the fee may be a hardship for some families.

Motion was made to accept the proposal from the Fennville Library for the payment of \$3500.00 with consent to the Fennville Library to impose an annual fee of \$25.00 per family (one card) and an additional fee of \$10.00 for each additional card requested by the family. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Schlack. No- Lowery, King. Motion carries

Land Acquisition: Supervisor Schlack requested that the board consider the proposal that was given to the board on the purchase of the property currently owned by Higher Climb, LLC on 56th Street, parcel #0312-009-025-65 also known as Lot 5 for the location of a possible future fire station. Questions arose concerning the layout of the property, if it would accommodate a suitable station, if the proposal had been review by the township attorney, and if a grant would be an option for method of payment or partial payment of the property. Trustee Christensen requested that the proposal be reviewed by the attorney and a sketch be presented to the board members for consideration of a possible counter-offer. The other members agreed. Supervisor Schlack agreed to have the proposal reviewed by Attorney Haverdink and to prepare or have prepared a sketch for a special meeting to be held tentatively on January 28th at 6:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

Land Divisions

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to approve the Land Division for Cericola, 5362 110th as presented and approved by Assessor Brousseau. All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.

Motion by Lowery and seconded by Black to approve the adjustment of the lot line for Rawson regarding parcel #0312-033-003-00 contingent on the recommendation and approval of the Assessor. All voted “Aye”. Motion carries.

Payment of the Bills:

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the payment of the bills in the amount of \$61,716.37, which included additions to General Fund of \$112.50 for MCY and Fire Department for \$270.00 MCY and \$390.00 Quality Door. Roll call vote was taken: Yes- Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Citizen’s Comments: 2 Citizens commented. B. Genetski introduced himself as a candidate for State House and a card was available for anyone who wished to sign for a speedy recovery for B. Blanchard.

Correspondence: A letter was sent by R. Henry from KalVan Realty informing the township that he had a listing along the Lee Township cemetery and thought the township might be interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Submitted by: Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk