

Lee Township Regular Board Meeting March 10, 2008

The regular meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:31 pm at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56th Street, Pullman, Michigan.

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

Board's Comments: Board of Review is currently going on and things are going well. The Annual Meeting is scheduled on March 29, 2008 at 10:00 am at the township hall. Announcement was made on the Wings of Hope Hospice.

Citizen's Comments: One citizen commented with questions regarding how land splits are handled.

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on February 11, 2008 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:

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Jessup passed out his newsletter for all those in attendance, as well as the board members. Animal Shelter has been the topic of discussion. Discussion has been taking place on what to do with the current situation. Should it be repaired with estimates over 200,000.00? The cost to rebuild would be nearly 700,000.00

Phosphorus Ban – The county commissioners voted on a ordinance banning the use of phosphorus. It would be a civil infraction of \$50.00 to \$300.00 for each offence. They are attempting to keep the phosphorus out of the water.

MTA is sponsoring a meeting concerning the jail location. There will be a discussion on the 17th of March at 7:00 pm and another discussion to be held on 20th of March at the Commissioner's Planning meeting at 9 am.

Lower Scott Lake board met last week. Dredging permit expires this year in July and they have voted on proceeding. Safety has been reviewed, they will ask for other

dredging companies estimate, to upgrade the well. Permit are good for 5 years and are issued through DEQ.

Deputies Report: Deputy Greene will give the totals for February with next month's report. They are currently looking for leads on the break-in's that took place at Nolan's Party Store and the VFW. Anyone with information should contact the Sheriff's Dept. Deputy Phil Arnsman has transferred to a different position in the Sheriff's department and will no longer be contracted with Lee Township. Deputy Mark Lytle will be taking Deputy Arnsman place, and has started working with Deputy Greene

Fire Department: During the month of February there were 8 calls. Fire Chief DeWeerd stated that they are waiting for the annual maintenance. An ad for daytime firefighters has been placed in the Flashes. He also stated they had to ordered a new suit to replace the suit that leaks. A training officer was sent to the Pipeline Training in Holland. This was necessary in order to be eligible for grants.

Building Official: Total Improvements for the month of February were \$ 184,400.00 Total: 4 Building permits, 4 Mechanical, 3 Plumbing, and 4 Electrical.

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report – During the months of January through February there were 67 books lent out with 4 new cards issued. The Library is still free to residents and programs for the summer are being planned.

Ambulance Report: The report will be given next month,

Transfer Station: Total money collected for the month of February was \$282.00 with 9 coupons redeemed.

Lake Board: Information covered by Commissioner Jessup.

First Responders: During the month of February, there were 29 calls. Of these calls, 28 were medical and 1 assist. Request was made to the board to consider approval for purchase of two new front tires for the ambulance. An estimate for the two tires was \$250.00 maximum.

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the First Responder to purchase tires for the front of the unit with the price cost not to exceed 250.00. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Newsletter Committee: Newsletters have been printed and should be in the mailboxes this week.

Assessor's Report: No report.

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Holiday Committee: The committee is waiting for spring weather to put up the Spring Banners. Happy St. Patrick's Day, and Happy Easter.

Pullman Pride Committee: A tentative meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 19th 2008 at 7:00 pm. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Clean Team: Gearing up for the next season, flyers are posted in the township office, hall and in the newsletter. A request for garbage bags was made, which should be submitted with funds to be taken from Building & Grounds. First schedule date for the season is April 12th.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Land Divisions

Name: Lucilo Perales

Address: 5707 105th Avenue, #12-020-004-10

Motion was made by Christensen seconded by Black to approve the Land Division as presented and approved by Assessor Brousseau for Perales. All voted "Aye" Motion carries.

Name: Lester Rawson

Address: 5357 103rd Avenue, #0312-033-002-00

Motion was made by Christensen seconded by Black to approve the Land Division as presented and approved by Assessor Brousseau for Lester Rawson. All voted "Aye" Motion carries.

Upcoming Audit – Paper work has been sent with request for date to be scheduled.

Motion by Lowery to use the same auditor, which is Siegfried Crandall, and authorize the Clerk to sign the papers and set up the date for June. Seconded by Black and all voted Aye. Motion carries.

Special Meeting: A special meeting was scheduled on Monday March 24th at 6:00 pm for the final budget adjustment to be made prior to the Annual Budget hearing on the 29th of March at 10:00 am.

Payment of Bills

Motion was made by Christensen and seconded by Black to authorize the clerk to pay the bills in the amount of 47,718.44 - Roll call Yes – Black, Christensen, Lowery, Schlack, King. Motion carries.

Citizen's Comments: 2 citizens commented.

First comment was an announcement that a application was filed for a 9,000 swine farm at the old mushroom plant (Ganges Township). A public meeting will be held and those with concerns should direct them to Senator Patty Birkholtz. .

Land Splits are they approved by the board. They doing reverse mortgage they need approval in a timely matter.

Correspondence: None

Commissioner's Report

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Minutes submitted by:
Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk