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LEE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

March 8, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Lee Township Hall located at 877 56th Street, Pullman, MI.

Members Present: Trustee Black, Trustee Ferguson, Treasurer Lowery, Supervisor Miller and Clerk King.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Comments:

Clerk King read a letter concerning the Terry Laraway Memorial Fund. She stated that they were offering sports programs for local youth and had donated the soccer goals that are currently at the park.

Supervisor Miller stated that he was looking into to making Pullman a Incorporated Village. He had requested a 65 page documents and felt that this was the solution to the summer rodeos.

Citizen's Comments:

Many comments were made regarding the Pullman being a village. Questions regarding zoning, zoning boards, village board and all the expenses that could be involved.

Citizen asked if this would be worth the money spent?

Supervisor Miller said that there would not be any expense.

Citizen stated that zoning would have to be an issue and a petition would need to be signed. There would need to be the proper number of people and it would be up to the voters.

Citizen commented that during the 60's or 70's this was brought up to the voters and it was voted down.

Supervisor Miller stated that he would not issue anymore noise waivers after the problems from last year.

Motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Lowery to approve the regular board meeting minutes from February 8, 2010 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Ferguson to approve the special meeting board meeting minutes from February 25, 2010 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

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

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

County Commissioner Report: No report

Deputies Report: Deputy Speese reported that during the month of February there were 68 complaints of which 40 were handled by the night shift and 25 by the day shift. Of the total calls there were domestic 5, 1 B&E, 3 Child Abuse, 5 car deer accidents.

Fire Department: During the month of February there were 7 calls. The new fire station is coming a long the paper work is still in the process. There will be a training for SKY1 of Allegan on April 10th at the Lee Township fire station and will be open to all. Chief DeWeerd reported that during 2009 there was a total of 429 calls. Of the total calls for 2009 there were 288 for the First Responders and 141 Fire Department making Lee the third highest in the county. Chief DeWeerd will be meeting with Valley Township to discuss their contract which will be up shortly. Currently we are receiving a flat fee of \$200.0 and the new contract will be at \$250.00 as a on-call fee and \$650.00 per fire call. Lastly Chief wanted to remind everyone that March 13th will be the monthly pancake breakfast. This month, Bob Geneski will attend and help give away 450 smoke alarms free of charge to everyone who might need one. There were many donors to make this happen. Special thanks to Love Inc, Home Depot, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, State Farm, Walmart. The breakfast starts at 8 am to 11 am.

Supervisor Miller read a flyer he received from the Allegan County Sharps Program (Recourse & Recovery) which will arrange to pick up needles in an effort make the environment safer. Brochures are available for anyone interested.

First Responders: During the month of February there was 19 calls with 16 medical and 3 personal injury.

Ambulance Report: No report

Building Inspectors Report: During the month of February there were 3 building, 3 electric, 1 mechanical and 0 plumbing permits issued with a total property value of \$105,900.00 .

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report: The library is in the process of scheduling volunteers to teach adult programs and volunteers willing read and do crafts with children. Anyone interested can contact Deb Laraway or Shirley Kay for details.

Transfer Station: During the month of February there was \$353.00 with 14 tickets redeemed.

Lake Board: No report.

Newsletter Committee: The Spring Edition as been sent to the printer and should arrive in mailboxes within the next week. It currently has been posted on the Lee Township website.

Assessor's Report: The assessment notices have been sent out and the Board of Review is scheduled to take place starting the 9th and the 11th of March. March 9th, hours will be 9 am to 12 and 1 to 4 pm and March 11 will start at 1 to 4 pm and 6 to 9 pm.

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Holiday Committee: Waiting for weather to break.

Pullman Pride Committee: The Pullman Pride Committee will hold their next meeting on Monday, March 15, 2010 at 6 pm. All those interested in helping out with this event, please plan to attend.

Clean Team Report: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: Supervisor Miller stated that Sandy Anderson has express interest helping with a committee for the new donated building in getting ideas to it's uses.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Ferguson to allow S. Anderson to start gathering a committee to work on getting ideas for possible uses of the new donated church building. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board of Review Dates: Supervisor Miller stated that after speaking with Assessor, it would be wise for us to find another alternate for the Board of Review as a back up. The interested party would need to be a resident of the township. This would be for next year's Board of Review. The appointment is 2 year and the next appointments will be done in 2011.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to authorize the clerk to publish the Annual Meeting which will take place on March 27th at 10:00 am. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Payment of the Bills:

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to approve the clerk to pay the bills as presented with the necessary addition of snow plowing for Fire Station 2 at \$675.00 and General Fund \$675.00. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Ferguson, Lowery, Miller and King. Motion carried.

Citizen's Comments: Citizen S. Anderson announced that the VFW will hold a Corn beef and Cabbage Dinner on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th from 5 to 7 pm. All are welcome.

Correspondence: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by
Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk

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