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**Lee Township**  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Pullman, Michigan.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Board Comments:**

Clerk King announced a total of 103 voters came out to cast their ballots for the May 4<sup>th</sup> School Election. She thanked all those that came out to vote.

Supervisor Miller gave an update on the new fire station project. We are still waiting for the State Treasury on the bond issue.

**Citizen Comments:**

Citizen M. Wiggins commented on her water bill. Due to the replacement of new meters, computer and software problems there was a delay in billing which resulted in 2 quarterly bills to get back on track with a monthly billing. She felt that it was unfair and a hardship. She also was unhappy with her well meter being read and having her flowers disturbed in the process.

Clerk King explained that the quarterly billing was down to help catch up the delayed bills while giving the residents a longer period of time to get caught up. She explained that those with balances could pay extra when they could, to get caught up. She said that she will work with them to help make it as easy as possible. Also she made a request that the board consider just having the water readings or the new meters instead of trying to reconcile the two meters which never have matched. This would eliminate the need to disturb Mrs. Wiggins flowers as well as provide more accurate readings from the new meters only.

Citizen M. Wiggins also commented on the load music that is coming from certain vehicles driving through the neighborhood. Can something be done.

K. Drisma stated that People Helping People will be doing clean up in the area and wondered if they it was possible for the township to help with a pass or something that would eliminate PHP having a charge to do volunteer clean up.

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The Board discussed the matter and decided that they would issue tickets as needed when clean is taking place with the PHP volunteers.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Black to issue tickets to the volunteer helper through PHP when they are helping residents with clean up projects. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Citizen H. Melson stated that the blight issue on 104<sup>th</sup> is getting worse. The road commission went down and widened the road and made it more difficult to get down that portion.

Citizen J. Komplin – commented on the a problem that he has been having with 4 wheeler vehicles that were tearing up the dirt road and making them impassible. He has contacted the DNR, the Allegan County Road Commission, and wondered if the board could offer a solution.

Committee Member P. Rawson wanted to thank the Northwoods Restaurant and the Ray of Light Church for their donation in helping fill the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt.

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Miller to approve the Regular Meeting date April 2010 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Black and seconded by Ferguson to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting dated April 2010 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

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

#### Committee Reports:

County Commissioner's Report: No report

**Deputies' Report:** During the month of April there were 116 complaints of which 47 were handed by the day shift and 69 by the night shift which resulted in 11 arrest. Deputy Lytle wanted to remind everyone that with the blight issue on 104<sup>th</sup>, everyone needs to remember that without the property owners permission, you are trespassing. He also reported that he has been writing down the number of addresses that are in violation of the blight ordinance, and he has about 42 homes on the list.

Supervisor Miller gave an update on the grant that was being sought to help with the clean up. It will not be possible to apply for this grant due to the fact that he is having trouble locating the owners of the property. A question was asked regarding if the clean up could be placed on their tax bill?

**Fire Department Report:**

There were 13 fire calls for them month of April. The next Fire Department breakfast is scheduled for May 22. The will be the last breakfast for the year. Chief DeWeerd stated that he was still working on the contract with Valley Township. Lastly, he stated that the they are currently having problems with the pumper truck and it could cost up to \$15,000.00. This truck would be around \$300,000.00 to replace.

**First Responders' Report :** During the month of April there were 2 fire, 1 personal injury and 21 medical calls. The total for this year to date is 84. Pam also stated that they had received the paperwork back on a grant that they were approved for. They will be able to get the special lift chair that they have requested.

**Ambulance Report:** Trustee Black read the ambulance report from their last meeting.

**Building Inspector's Report:** During the month there were 4 building permits, 4 electrical, 2 mechanical and 3 plumbing permits issued with a property value of \$88,500.00.

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**Cemetery Report:**

Bags have to be picked up, before this weekend. Mike is going to paint the name plates and get the mulch to put out.

Transfer Station – 466.00 collect and 40 tickets redeemed. Bill has been high again, and the bill will have to be review.

**Library Report:** - see report

**Transfer Station Report:** During the month of March there was \$526.00 collected and 52 dump tickets redeemed. Clerk King asked Heather about the amount of usage in the past month. The Transfer Station bill more than in the past month.

**Lake Board Report:** No report

**Newsletter Report:**

Quick reminder, next meeting will be the deadline , so be sure the information. Meeting time and date will be set. Information for building, Read a letter thanking Miller for taking time to explain the proposed plans, Nel, and Ted. A bit more enlightened about the finances. 50,000 grant, and the 400,000 on reserve due to the millage as well as a loan not to exceed the 650,000.00. explained needs , clean water and septic. Remains unclear on what the township board will cut to. Not law enforcement. The board has not researched. Concerns regarding the financial success of paying for this project and what will be done with current building.

**Assessor's Report:** Doug had an accident tonight and is ok, Doug pull report, taxable and assessed value has shrunk to 29% Across the township decrease 27% went down and 95% this year. Split is in the works but waiting for county.

**Holiday Committee:**

Hoping everyone had a nice mothers' day. Thanks to Pat for getting the flags up so early. 2:30 parade, memorial day meeting in the old village market parking lot. 28<sup>th</sup> (Friday) 2 pm VFW, Auxillary, and Friend of Veterans tree and plaque placed in the play ground and park. Newspapers coming, superintendent will be there and invited all to be there. To pay tribute to the veterans. Taking donations for the flag pole in the park.

**Pullman Pride Committee:** P. Rawson letters are coming back, and donations coming in. Personally have a senior we elected the process to be taken over and had the evaluations reviewed by someone who does not know the families. Sally handled - Allegan County Treasurer and Assistant have done the same thing for the Lion's Club in Allegan to review 6 essays. Results were picked up last Friday. The three winners are Pat Curley, Emily Rawson, and Josh Sap for 500.00 scholars. Questions regarding if last years winner has received needs to know if the next 9 days before the money is in a cd and will be due for reinvesting.

**Clean Team Report:** Rained out last Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting.

**Road Committee Report:** No report.

**Church/Activity Center Committee-** S. Anderson. Coordinator what can be done with the old Congreg. Church. Meetings will differ - Sherry from Senior Services of Allegan County. What is the vision - place for seniors to meeting, cards or social, drop in rate 1\$ a day or teach a leisure time class, fee to the class, (part to teacher/part for rental) Pot luck's Movie nights. Building inspector to see if it would work. Possible revenue, renting for wedding, parties. Movie nights, breakfast etc. Kitchen has looked at the kitchen, full service prep kitchen would be very expensive. Limited use kitchen (3 sink) and a separate hand washing sink. Minimal expense. Will talk to ACRDC a mobile meal site, (could use their food license.) Needs a small face lift. Parking lot is ample, Needs to work on a non-profit status. Question, any revenue available from Senior millage, would need a business plan written. Would want to see support for the township, and a letter of support to show that their support would continue. Has other members who want to be on the committee. - Structure needs securing first before anything can be done.

Miller do the ground work. Getting estimates. Contact Mark Wolfe, Cheever center will have volunteers, cleanup donated. Yard work, boy scout group. Water is on. Tables, are clear. Keys, 3's. Needs to be fixed before use, and they are lots of ideas and a meeting will set. (after vacation)

**Unfinished Business:** None

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## New Business

Micky Bitner from Whitman Jones, will give information on the funding to replace the culvert (grant) early march/april for the township will receive 186,000.00- 24,000.00 match. Publication needs to be sent, and a resolution signed and a meeting to be held. Wednesday, 19, at 6:30 pm. Will be published in Allegan Co. News and Herald Palladium. Once each. 15 days for local comment and 15 days for state comment. Another notice for public input will also be posted. – Resolution will need to be executed at the special meeting. Letter on letterhead confirming the funds are available.

Motion made by Miller and seconded ferguson authorization to the clerk to have the notices and public meeting notice to be placed in the Allegan Co. News and Herald motion carried.

Motion was made by Miller seconded by black to authorize the clerk to public the notice for Combined notice notice to public of no significant impact on the envieonemtn. Motion carried.

Noise Waiver – Jason Schmidt. – Mud runs on 58<sup>th</sup> Street, there has no problems in the past few years that this event has been going on. May 22, June 26, July 24, Augst 28. 11 am – 6 pm. Same request as in the past. 479 58<sup>th</sup> Street, - Request township board with issuing noise waiver.

Motion Miller seconded by black waiver of noise ordinance for his mud runs. Motion carried.

Fireworks Permit –p Great Lakes Experimental Arts, inc. – same as last year. To commence on Willow Ranch. 95 60<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Junction, Flame effects ground works. has provided insurance. Fire department attended out of Columbia Township to cover Deputy Lytle – suggested the fire chief to be aware. Nel DeWeerd Chief will have pyrotechniques will take place, Fire lane because of the crowds that attend. – Not fireworks no motion required.

Mowing Bids. –

Bids are as follows;

A Motion Lowery and seconded by Miller to give the contract RN to mow as needed. Roll call Black, Ferguson, Lowery, King, Miller. Motion carried.

Senior Lunch 1:15 Friday (May 14<sup>th</sup>) – grilled chicken dinner (grilled outside) call ms. 5235 curley rsvp

Flag has been purchased in the future by the township. VFW has purchased the current flag, and the flowers at the memorial will be taken care of by VFW (they have a fund set up for that purpose)

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**Payment of the Bills:**

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Miller to authorize the clerk to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 39,845.54 of which includes Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Ferguson, Lowery, Miller and King. Motion carried.

Motion Miller and seconded Ferguson to pay the election personnel For 493.00 Motion carried.

**Correspondence: Allegan county public safety expo.**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45. p.m.

Minutes submitted by  
Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk