

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:30 pm at the Lee Township Hall located at 877 56th 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 that the Presidential Primary will be held on February 28th. Polls are open from 7 am to 8 pm.

Supervisor Miller announced that Trustee Steve Black is out due to heart problems. He is currently in Bronson Hospital. Also announced was the Board of Review date for March. The organization meeting will be held on March 6th. Taxes protest can be heard March 12th from 9 am to 12 pm and 1 to 4 pm., March 14th from 1 to 4 pm and 6 to 9 pm. Lastly, Miller stated that he will be attending the Road Commission meeting regarding the roads to be review this year. On the list for review is 54th Street. Allegan Road Commission is considering turning the road back into gravel, which would allow a base for future repaving.

Citizens Comments: No comments.

A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Miller to approve the Regular Board minutes from January 9, 2011 meeting. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

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

People Helping People: Ken Draisma from PHP read a letter to the board and residents on possible future collaboration with the township in reference to the donated building on 56th Street. Some of ideas for possible usage are: Life Skill Programs, Social Meals and a possible meeting place.

County Commissioner: No report

Deputy Report: Deputy Ross gave the report for the month of January. He reported a total of 64 calls. It was a very quiet month. He also addressed the board with repairs that were needed on the patrol car. *A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to have the brakes and ABS system repaired as necessary. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Ferguson, Lowery, Miller and King. Motion carried.*

Fire Department: Chief DeWeerd gave the annual report of 99 calls for 2011. This was down a little from 2010. During the month of January there were 9 calls. He has received information from the county that they will be taking care of the expense for the new radios to be implemented in the upcoming year. DeWeerd gave an update on the new station. The generator was install today and will be checked on a regular basis by staff. The move took place on February 4th to the new station. He has contacted a company that will design a custom sign to go on the new building that will resemble a fire badge and will cost around \$1,000.00. This expense can be taken out of the remaining grant money. A mobile sign will be also purchased and brought out when needed. Lastly a new refrigerator is needed and an estimate has been obtained for a Whirlpool. The large discount will allow them to get a \$1,800.00 unit for \$1,200.00 and will also be included in grant money.

First Responders: No report

Ambulance Report: No report

Building Report: During the month of January there were 9 permits issued. There were 3 building, 2 electrical, 2 mechanical, 2 plumbing permits for total property value of \$16,700.00.

Inspector Shamblin has been working on ideas for the township's donated building. Some of the ideas talked about were ACRDC, WIC, Work First, and other types of agencies to help with counseling. Regarding cleanup, molding items will be removed, ceilings, replace drywall, put in petitions for smaller areas which are needed for the structure. A committee will need to be formed that will operate under the direction of the township.

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report: No report

Transfer Station: There was \$370.00 collected and 28 tickets redeemed.

Lake Board: No report

Newsletter committee: Newsletters are in the mail.

Assessor's Report: Heather announced that the notices will be out shortly for the changes in assessments. March dates will be printed on the bill along with assessor's number. Residents should see notices in their mail in the next couple weeks.

Road Committee: No report

Donated Building Report: Report was given by Building Inspector.

Holiday Committee: No report

Pullman Pride: Information has been sent out with volunteered help of P. Rawson and L. Galdikas.

Clean Team: No report. Lisa reported that with the help of Ridge Point and PHP there will be meeting held at PHP on the March 31st at 11:00 am to plan for the planting of spring/summer flowers. The businesses are encouraged to also participate.

Old Business:

New Business:

DEQ Grant- Tire Removal- The township has applied for 2 grants with the help of T. Kotas for clean-up and removal of tires. If the grants are received, they are to be used by August 31st. Resident T. Kotas has offered to oversee the process with the help of volunteers to follow through with the requirements of the grant. The grant could be from \$5,000 to \$7,000.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded Ferguson to authorize the clerk to publish the Board of Review March notices in the local paper. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to approve a waiver of penalty for property taxes to be extended to the 28th of February. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to approve a payment to BCI in the amount of \$22,611.67. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Ferguson, Lowery, Miller and King. Motion carried.

Payment of the Bills: *A motion was made by Ferguson and seconded by Lowery to approve the bills as presented. Roll call was taken: Yes – Ferguson, Lowery, Miller and King. Motion carried.*

Correspondence: None

Adjournment: *Motion was made by Miller and second by Ferguson to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.*

The meeting was 8:35 adjourned pm.

Minutes Submitted by:
Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk