

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:35 pm at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56th Street, Pullman, MI 49450

Members Present: Trustee Galdikas, Supervisor Owen and Clerk King.
Absent: Trustee Black and Treasurer Lowery.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Comments:

Supervisor Owen thanked commented that a pew was displayed at the pancake breakfast. He took pictures for anyone interested.

Citizens Comments: None

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from January 14, 2013. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to receive the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Galdikas, Owen and King. All voted Yes - Motion carried.

County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Jessup reported the additional expenses incurred with the jail project. The sales tax was not included in the bid, which added an addition \$400,000.00 along with missing information with the bid for the stairs. The anticipated open house is scheduled for February 21, 2013 from 8:30 am to 9:30 pm to tour the jail facility. Jessup reported open positions on the COA and Mental Health board. Anyone interested can call 269-673-0203. Lastly, he announced that he will replace Dean Kapenga on the Lower Scott Lake Board.

Deputy's Report: Deputy Brown reported that during the month of January, there were no larcenies or break-ins. He did report a few traffic violations. In regards to blight, he did report that the resident at the 58th Street address was cooperative and will comply once the weather improves.

Fire Department Report: During the month of January there were 7 calls. For 2012 the total was 134 calls. DeWeerd reported that the fire station floor had not been done well and he had the company come back and redo the floors. He reported that the second cleaning looked much better.

First Responders: No report.

Ambulance Report: No report.

Building Inspector: No report.

Donated Building: No report.

Cemetery Report: No report.

Library Report: No Report.

Transfer Station: During the month of January 22 tickets were redeemed and \$385.00 was collected.

Lower Scott Lake Board: No report

Assessor' Report: March Board of Review dates are Tuesday, March 5th is the Organizational Meeting, Monday, March 11th from 9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm and Wednesday, March 13 from 1 to 4 pm and 6 to 9 pm.

Holiday Committee: No report, but Lisa wished everyone a “Happy Valentine’s Day”.

Pullman Pride: The scholarship information was included in the Newsletter and a date for next year **has** not yet been established. Information should be available in April.

Newsletter Committee: Trustee Galdikas announced that tonight was the deadline to get any information in the next edition.

Clean Team: No report but volunteers are still needed.

Road Committee: In C. Pugh’s absence, Clerk King read the report. The County Road meeting took place on January 17th and Scott, Les and Ray were present. The meeting was a planning session for improving primary roads. There are several primary roads in Lee that need serious repair. It was discovered that the County schedule those improvements to start in 2018. Upon bringing attention to the safety concerns, a small section of 103rd between 54th and 52nd will be done this summer. The committee will continue to work towards improving the roads in the township.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Patrol Car: During the last meeting the board made a decision on which vehicle that they preferred. Supervisor Owen presented the final information for a motion to be made.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to accept the bid from Woodhams for the purchase of the patrol vehicle in the amount of \$26,196.00. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to accept the bid from Mark DeHoek for the conversion of the equipment on the new car in the amount of \$4,889.90. Roll call vote was take: Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Waiver of Tax Penalty:

A motion was made by King and seconded by Galdikas to extend the collection of taxes and waive the penalty until the 28th of February. All voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

Furnace Quote: Supervisor Owen presented an estimate from Hy-tech Heating from Fennville to replace the furnace. During the last week, furnace had stopped working and Hy-tech was called out to service. It was discovered that the current furnace was leaking Carbon Monoxide. The explained the headaches that were being experienced by Supervisor Owen and Treasurer Lowery. The furnace is very old, and is not economical to repair. It was suggested by a couple residents in the meeting contact Fleetwood first to see if they could give a lower bid.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the replacement of the office furnace not to exceed \$1,900.00. Roll call vote was taken: Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Approval for Publishing Board of Review Notice:

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to authorize the Clerk to publish the March Board of Review Notice in the local paper. All voted “Aye”. Motion carried

Payment of the Bills:

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to authorize the payment in the bills with the additions presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Correspondence: A letter from Al-Van was presented as correspondence. The letter gave an update on 2012. During 2012, 1271 animals were sheltered of these 83 animals were documented residents of Lee. That is 7% of the animals rescued for the year. The average cost of medical and care expense is \$208.82 per animal. Al-Van has participated in the Pullman Pride for the last 2 year in increase awareness to spaying and neutering, micro chipping and the food pantry for those unable to afford food for their pets.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by King to adjourn the meeting. All voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Minutes Submitted by:
Jacquelyn King, Clerk