Lee Township Regular Meeting Minutes December 9, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:36 pm at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56th Street, Pullman, MI 49450.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Comments: Trustee Galdikas thanked those that attended the Holiday Social. She estimated that 200 were in attendance. A special thank you was given to Ray Russell for bringing Santa as well as the members of the Fire Department, Debbie Laraway, and many other community members for all the help in making the event a great success.

Citizens Comments: Mary Whiteford introduced herself as a Republican candidate for State Representative. She passed out brochures and spoke about her family, values and what she would like to bring to the residents of Michigan.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from the November 11, 2013 meeting. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the Special Meeting minutes from the December 2, 2013 meeting. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

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

County Commissioners Report: No report.

Deputy's Report: Deputy Brown reported a total of 96 complaints during the month. Deputy Brown responded to 28 calls. A summary of some of the complaints are as follows: 6 domestic, 3 breaking and entering, 2 larcenies, 1 DUI, 1 stolen vehicle, 1 death investigation, 3 warrants and 3 threats.

Fire Department Report: Captain Curley read the report for the previous month. There were a total of 15 calls. There are 8 new Firefighters and 2 Junior Firefighters. The helmets were received and the fencing has been ordered.

First Responders: During the month there were a total of 26 calls of which 20 were medical, 4 personal injuries and 2 fire assist. There have been a total of 319 calls for the year. During the past month there was continuing education and January were will be training on ice rescue

Ambulance Report: No Report.

Building Inspector: During the month there were 2 building permits and 5 electrical permits issued.

Community Building: Recognition was given to Shirley Kay for the nice article that was done on the Community Center in the Allegan News. The open house is scheduled for January 12th from 12:00 to 4 pm.

Library Report: No report

Cemetery Report: No report.

Transfer Station: During the month of November there was \$526.00 collected and 38 tickets redeemed.

Lower Scott Lake Board: No report.

Assessors' Report: The December Board of Review is scheduled for December 10th at 1:30 pm. The BOR will meet to correct errors of mutual fact.

Holiday Committee: The Holiday Social was a great success.

Pullman Pride: No report.

Newsletter Committee: The next edition is scheduled for March. The February board meeting will be the deadline for any information to be included in the next edition.

Clean Team: No report. Still in need of volunteers.

Road Committee: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Transfer Station: Supervisor Owen updated the board on the status of the transfer station research. He did not have an opportunity to meet with Arrow as they had missed their set appointments. He stated that with Best Way, it would be savings of \$532.00 from what we are currently paying at Republic. There were questions regarding the landscaping of the area when the change is made. It was discussed that in the Spring they would have the conversation for recommendations.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to sign the new contract with Best Way Disposal. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Police Snow Tires: The cost of new snow tires was \$210.00 for Good Year and \$137.00 for Firestone. There was a previous discussion on if the tires were necessary. It was decided that it would be beneficial to purchase the tires and keep them for winter use and change them back to the original tires during the good weather months.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to purchase the snow tires for the patrol vehicle at the best price. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Owen and King. No- Galdikas.

Fire Extinguishers for the Community Center: The board discussed having fire extinguishers installed at the new community center. A quote was given by Approve Fire Protect for 4 new extinguishers to be place at \$260.00 each. This includes the service and annual recertification.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to purchase 4 new fire extinguishers with the cost not to exceed \$905.00. A roll call vote was taken: Black, Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Payment of the Bills:

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to authorize the clerk to pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

A question was presented regarding 911 Grove Street. The status of the property is that the property has gone back to county and the property can be purchased for the outstanding taxes. The township will need to own the property before any grants can be applied for. Supervisor Owen is talking with the Cooley Law School for guidance.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Minutes Submitted by: Jacquelyn King, Clerk