

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:30 pm at the Lee Township Hall, 877 56th Street, Pullman, MI 49450.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Comments: Supervisor Owen stated that we would be adding the request for approval of 2 mobile homes to the agenda.

Citizens Comments: Citizen E. DeWeerd stated that she was glad to see that lights on the awning had been added.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from September 8, 2014. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

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

County Commissioners Report No report

Deputy's Report: Total number of complaints for the month were 84 of which 30 were handled by our township deputy. The breakdown of complaints were as follows: 2 Domestic, 1 Assault, 3 DUI, 1 B&E, 5 civil, 5 juvenile, 3 alarms, 1 missing juvenile, 3 welfare checks, 1 noise, 1 animal, 2 abandon 911 calls and blight calls were also made.

Fire Department Report: During the last month there were 7 calls. This month's training is hydrant and ladder training. Chief Chamberlain stated that the new truck in Alabama was receiving some minor repairs found during the ladder test. All repairs were minor maintenance issues that will insure that we will have no issues. Chamberlain gave an update on the truck requested from the DNR. We will be receiving an off road truck that will save wear and tear on our vehicles. This vehicle will be picked up in the next week or so. The radio tower is all finished. The firefighters were very involved with this project which saved an estimated \$3,600.00 by purchasing from Columbia Township. A request for funds was made to purchase materials for the Fire Academy. October is Fire Prevention month and they go into the schools and teach fire safety.

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to approve the \$750.00 for materials for Fire Prevention Month. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Owen and King. No – Lowery. Motion carried.

Lastly, Chief Chamberlain requested funds in the amount of \$1075.00 to purchase training materials for the off shift fighters along with the instruction manuals. This is going to be extremely helpful in training the firefighters who are unable to attend the classes do to scheduling conflicts. It is also saving money by having the instructor manuals.

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Lowery to approve the \$1075.00 for training materials and instruction manuals for the fire fighting training. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Owen and King. No – Lowery. Motion carried.

First Responders: During the previous month there were 29 calls. The year to date totals is 294 calls in 287 days.

Ambulance Report: No report.

Building Inspector: During the month there was 3 mechanical and 3 electrical permits issued. Total improvements of \$33,000.00.

Community Building: Committee member, Shirley Kay gave the update on the Community Center. There are new activities taking place. There will be Bingo on October 17th at 7:00 pm with white elephant gifts instead of money. There will also be “Dinner and a Movie” showing Good Deeds after a chicken dinner. The cost is \$6.00 which will cover the dinner. Lastly there is a Fall festival planned for the children.

Cemetery Report: Member E. Pacholski announced that clean up on the cemetery has started.

Library Report: Trustee Galdikas read the library report. There will be volunteers from Michigan Works to help with the library. Shelves have been donated and will be installed during the month.

Transfer Station: Totals for August were as follows: There was \$776.00 collected and 79 tickets redeemed.

Lower Scott Lake Board: The report was given by E. DeWeerd. She stated that they are trying to get a meeting scheduled. The tentative date is October 16th. She also commented on the wonderful job that Shirley Kay has done with the Community Center.

Assessors’ Report: No report.

Holiday Committee: Trustee Galdikas reminded everyone that the winter holiday social has been scheduled for Friday, December 5, 2014. It will start at 6:30pm with caroling and a holiday parade to the Community Center for snacks, photos with Santa and a gift. Anyone who would like to help that night please contact Lisa.

Pullman Pride: Trustee Galdikas stated that the new volunteers for the Pullman Pride committee will be attending an upcoming meeting to introduce themselves.

Newsletter Committee: Trustee Galdikas stated that the newsletter is scheduled to go out the first week of November.

Clean Team: Committee member Gene Lamberti has volunteered to lead this project again. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact him.

Road Committee: Committee Member C. Pugh provided a report of the upcoming improvements. The report highlighted the 7 miles of paved roads that have been done using the millage funds from 2012 to 2014. The roads that have received chip seal are still holding up well. He gave a list of the roads that are still in need of improvement. The top 3 roads are 54th from Baseline to 102nd, 55th from 109th to 111th, 111th from 54th to 55th Streets. Lastly the report stated that shoulder graveling will be done free by the county to improve the drainage off the roads.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Halloween Hours: The hours set for “trick or treating” are 5 to 7:30 pm on October 31st.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Lowery to set the hours of “trick or treating” from 5 to 7:30 pm on October 31st. All voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

Request for Mobile Homes:

Supervisor Owen received 2 requests from residents requesting permission to move their mobile homes into the township.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the home of Reyes to be brought into the township. All voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the home of Maris to be brought into the township. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to authorize the publication of the Cemetery Cleanup. All voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Payment of the Bills:

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

Correspondence: None

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Minutes Submitted by:
Jacquelyn King, Clerk