

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2015

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: Treasurer Lowery stated that the tax collection period is finish and all went well.

Citizens Comments:

Steve Erickson addressed the board on the variance that received by his neighbor. He complained that his neighbor was building his home too close to the line and that he wondered why the board consented to a zero set back. He felt that there should be a 7' set back. Supervisor Owen addressed his concerns. Trustee Galdikas stated that the board was given information that indicated that his neighbor had discussed his intentions with Steve.

Frank Baker and Scott Matice from the Allegan County Sheriff's Department addressed the board with information regarding the cost of the contract. They provided statistics regarding Incidents and Calls from Precinct 2 which is Casco, Clyde, Ganges and Lee showing that Lee had the highest number of calls in 2013 at over 1200 and 2014 at over 1100. They provided statistics for the number of calls handled by our township deputy at October at 43%, November 35% and December at 22%, which was lower due to the vacation time.

Motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from February 9, 2015 meeting. 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: Deputy Brown read the report of call for the month of February. There were 62 calls of which 18 were handled by Deputy Brown. There were 2 domestic, 1 assault, 2 larceny, 2 harassment, 1 trespassing, 1 car/deer accident, 3 civil, 2 suspended license and several other miscellaneous calls. Deputy Brown announced that he would be leaving Lee to take a position on days. This will work better with his family. His last day will be April 20th.

Fire Department Report: During the last month there were 7 calls. The training for the month was Departmental Driver. The Fire Academy has only 5 chapters left. During the month a meeting was held with the Fire Officers to discuss the budget. The diamond plate has been installed and the new truck is ready to be painted. Chief Chamberlain presented the board with three quotes. Spencer's quoted \$14,000.00; Southside Body & Fabrication \$11,700.07 and B&B Truck Equipment at \$13,816.00.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to accept the quote from Southside at 11,700.07 to be paid from 2015-2016 budget. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.

First Responders: During the month there were 24 calls. This makes 68 calls in 68 days.

Ambulance Report: Trustee Black reported that there have been 3 meetings starting December 11th, January 15 and February 12th. The main reason for the meetings was to work on the by-laws. There is a regular meeting scheduled for March 12th.

Building Inspector: During the month there were a total of 9 permits issued. There was 1 building, 5 mechanical, 3 plumbing and no electrical for a total of \$4,000.00 in improvements.

Community Building: The report was read by Melinda. She announced that there would be a Easter Egg hunt on March 28th. Some of the other events are a Teen Bible Study on Sunday, March 16th.

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report: Clerk King read the Library report. The Library is still accepting Romance books, an invitation was extended to those who may be interest in doing crafts every Tuesday mornings between 10 am to 12 pm. The book club meets once a month. The club members read an eclectic assortment of books often watch a movie pertaining to the subject matter and some times share a meal that would have been popular at the historical period the book is set in. Any one interested in joining can contact Debbie Laraway, Nancy Endres or Shirley Kay. Lastly the Library will be starting a story hour at Pullman Elementary if anyone is interested in reading to the children or providing snacks, please call Deborah Laraway.

Transfer Station: Totals for February were as follows: There was \$481.00 collected and 8 tickets redeemed.

Lower Scott Lake Board: No report.

Assessors' Report: The Board of Review started today. The hours were 9 am to 12 and 1 to 4 pm and 4 residents attended. On December 10th the hours are 1 to 5 pm and 6 to 9 pm.

Holiday Committee: No report

Pullman Pride: Trustee Galdikas reported that things continue to move ahead with interest in silent auction items. The school has been contact and events are in the planning for the children.

Newsletter Committee: The newsletter was mailed the end of February. The newsletter included information on the pancake breakfast and a survey that can be completed by residents in place in the drop box at the post office and at township.

Clean Team: No report

Road Committee: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: No business to report.

Dust Control: Since the last meeting, Brad addressed the board. Since this meeting he has contacted Supervisor Owen with an agreement to drop the prices to \$11,000.00 per application. The board discussed the reason that we changed over. It appears that with the condition of the gravel roads, the higher quality treatment is not necessary.

A motion was made by Galdikas and Lowery to accept the bid for \$11,000.00 from Southwest Dusts Control. Roll call vote was taken: Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Adjustments:

General Fund

101.101.801	Professional/Twp Board	\$ 200.00
101.101.810	Insurance/ Twp Board	\$ 250.00
101.101.956	Miscellaneous/Twp Board	\$ 940.00
101.171.861	Travel/ Supervisor	\$ 1,100.00
101.215.706	Deputy Clerk/Clerk	\$ 1,150.00

101.215.727	Office Supplies/Clerk	\$ 340.00
101.262.702	Wages/Elections	\$ 1,200.00
101.262.861	Travel/Elections	\$ 70.00
101.265.900	Publishing/Bldg & Grnds	\$ 250.00
101.265.920	Utilities/Electric/Bldg & Grnds	\$ 1,600.00
101.262.921	Utilities/Propane/Bldg & Grnds	\$ 1,600.00
101.265.970	Capital Outlay/Bldg & Grnds	\$ 700.00
101.301.853	Telephone/Police	\$ 75.00
101.301.867	Gas & Oil/Police	\$ 500.00
101.371.801	Contractual Services/Bldg Inspection	\$ 1,200.00
101.446.888	Major Projects/Road	\$ 12,000.00
101.446.898	Dust Control	\$ 500.00
101.526.740	Operation Supplies/Sanitary	\$ 300.00
	Total Adjustments	<u>\$ 23,975.00</u>

101.526.820	Recycling/Sanitary	\$11,000.00
101.265.740	Contractual Service/Bldg & Grnds	\$2,500.00
101.371.8181	Contractual Services -Bldg Inspector	\$ 3,000.00
	Fund Balance	\$ 7,475.00
	Total Adjustments (decrease)	<u>\$23,975.00</u>

Fire Department

206.336.714	Clothing	\$ 3,000.00
206.336.727	Fire Department/Office Supplies	\$ 250.00
206.336.810	Insurance	\$ 7,100.00
206.336.921	Utilties - Propane	\$ 4,500.00
206.336.935	Vehicle Repair	\$ 1,200.00
206.336.960	Education/Training	\$ 800.00
206.336.970	Capital Outlay	\$ 27,000.00
	Total Adjustments (increase)	\$ 43,850.00

206.336.9801	Loan Payment	\$40,000.00
206.336.702	Wages	\$ 3,850.00
	Total Adjustments (decrease)	\$43,850.00

First Responders

210.651.702	Wages	\$ 5,000.00
210.651.970	Capital Outlay	\$ 22,000.00
	Total Adjustments (increase)	<u>\$ 27,000.00</u>

210.651.960	Education & Training	\$ 7,000.00
	Fund Balance	\$ 20,000.00
		<u>\$ 27,000.00</u>

Motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Black to approve the adjustments to the budgets. Roll call vote was taken: Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Payment of the Bills:

A motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Owen 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 publish the Annual Meeting on March 28th at 10 am. All voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Minutes Submitted by:
Jacquelyn King, Clerk