

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 12, 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 Galdikas, Trustee Black, Treasurer Lowery, Supervisor Owen and Clerk King

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Comments: The board members extended their condolences to the family of Lester Rawson. Lester dedicated his time and energy in serving in Lee Township. He will be greatly missed.

Citizens Comments:

Frank Baker, Allegan County Sherriff's Department paid a visit to check and see how things were going. Trustee Galdikas commented on the excellent job that Deputy Borgic was doing. He also introduced Chief Circuit Judge Marge Bakker and Rob Kengus from the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Judge Bakker announced that Prosecuting Attorney, Fred Anderson will be retiring and will not run in the 2016 election. She introduced Assistant Prosecutor, Rob Kengus and spoke on the fine job the office is doing. She also said that they encouraged anyone with concerns to contact their office. Lastly she spoke of the Allegan County Legal Center. They are located in the Allegan Court House and can assist with questions regarding what forms should be used and process and procedures, but do not give legal advice.

Candidate for 80th District Representative, Mary Whiteford introduced herself giving some personal details about herself and giving an update on what her interest and areas of focus are. She asked for support in the upcoming November 3rd election.

Motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Black to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from September 14, 2015. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

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

County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Jessup gave a County update. The old jail building is about half way demolished and will be turned into space for parking. There is discussion regarding using the space in the future for an administration building. The next project will be the youth home. The Senior Home Deliver Meals are working on securing a new provider. Lastly he gave an update on the cleanup with the Lower Scott Lake.

Deputy's Report: Deputy Borgic reported 112 complaints for the month of September. He reported that he handled 39 of these calls. He stated that meth is becoming a problem and that they are seeing more of it. There were 5 individuals arrested for it this month. The gang activity that was previously reported, has dissolved. He requested to have new tires for the police vehicle. He has had the snow tires previously used place back on the vehicle, but they will need to be replaced by spring. He has found tires at a very good price and will provide the information to the board in the future.

Fire Department Report: During the month there were 7 calls. Training took place during the month with large diameter hose training which pumped 650 gallons. October is Fire Prevention month and they look forward to the elementary school students' visit to the station for fire safety before the end of the month. Chief Chamberlain stated that the burn permit number is up and running. The number to call is 686-5222 and residents should follow the instructions on the recorded menu.

First Responders: During the month there were 23 calls. Of the calls were 22 medical and 1 personal injury.

Ambulance Report: No report due to no meeting.

Building Inspector: During the month there were 3 mechanical, no plumbing, 6 electrical and 6 building.

Community Building: Melinda announced the Trunk & Treat party that will take place at the Community Center on October 31st. There are 25 spots available.

Cemetery Report: No report.

Library Report: No report.

Transfer Station: Totals for September were as follows: There was \$837.00 collected and 68 tickets redeemed.

Lower Scott Lake Board: Committee member E. DeWeerd reported the cleanup of the dredge site. Commissioner Jessup reported the clean up in his report.

Assessors' Report: No report.

Holiday Committee: Annual Winter Holiday Social will be Saturday December 5th at 6:30 pm at Pizza Plus parking lot with caroling and the manger scene then residents will parade to the Community Center to meet Santa for soup and cookies, photos and gifts.

Pullman Pride: Trustee Galdikas announced that April Warden again be planning the 2016 Pullman Pride.

Newsletter Committee: The next edition will go out early November.

Road Committee: Supervisor Owen read the emailed report from Chuck with a recap of the progress that has been able to take place with Lee Township roads since the millage has been in place.

Clean Team Committee: Still need more volunteers.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Halloween Hours: The Trick or Treat hours will be set at 5 to 7:30 pm on Saturday, October 31st.

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

Correspondence: Supervisor Owen read a thank card from Marty Curley for the Pullman Pride scholarship she received.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Minutes Submitted by:
Jacquelyn King, Clerk