

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:33 pm at the Lee Township Hall located at 877 56th Street, Pullman, Michigan.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Comments: Supervisor Owen gave an update on the start of work on the 51st Street bridge project. He thanked Lisa Galdikas, Ben Newhouse, Joe Knicks, Jim and Fred Rawson and their grandson Anthony for their help in the cleanup. He also thanked Tim Kotas for supplying water and equipment as well as the volunteers provided by Love Inc.

Citizen's Comments:

Citizen Jim Rawson thanked Supervisor Owen for the quick response with the tire removal. It was a big help and looks great. He also thanked all of the board members.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to approve the minutes from the July 10, 2017 Regular Meeting with correction. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the minutes from the July 10, 2017 Fire District meeting. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to approve the minutes from the Master Plan workshop. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Black to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Commissioners Report: Commission Jessup gave his County update and passed out the State of the County report. He quickly highlighted the areas of the reports and indicated that the County is doing well. He also mentioned that the County has done a Wage Compensation Study which was recently completed. This study helped to reclassify employees and adjusted wages where they were low. We are competitive with the surrounding Counties. In September, the Commissioners will decide if they will put the ½ mill increase for more deputies on the ballot. Lastly Jessup reported that his visit to the White House in the prior week was very informational and mentioned with the new Department of Internal Affairs it will allow citizens to be able to ask questions and get answers through their commissioners.

Deputies Report: No report

Fire Department: During the past month there were 6 calls which consisted of a downed power line, assist, and mutual aid at a fire at the old Mushroom factory. Our department was responsible for the roof area and after cutting a hole in the roof, temperature dropped by 100 degrees. The training was on vehicle driving and extrication. Engine 16 is currently at West Shore for a correction in programming. Lastly Chief Chamberlain reported that September 2018 will be the 100th year anniversary for the Lee Township Fire Department and the department will be working on getting the historical information for the occasion.

First Responders: During the month they had 27 calls of which 26 were medical and 1 accident. To date there have been 199 calls. Director Rawson also reported that the unit has had a small repair done.

Assessor's Report: In Assessor's absence, Supervisor Owen read the report. He reported that last month the Board of Review met for correction of errors of mutual fact.

Ambulance Report: No report

Building Report: During the month there were 4 electrical permits 4 mechanical, 3 building and 3 plumbing permits issued in July. The total improvements were \$25,400.00. In June there was 1 plumbing permit issued.

Community Center: No report was given in Melinda's absence.

Cemetery Report: No report

Library Report: No report.

Transfer Station: During the month there was \$1568.00 collected and 120 tickets redeemed.

Lake Board: Eleanor reported that the weed treatments are done and the Lake Board is in the process of setting a meeting.

Newsletter Report: Trustee Galdikas reported that the newsletter committee is looking at a biannual report based on information need and cost savings.

Holiday Committee: No report

Pullman Pride Committee: Trustee Galdikas wanted to commend April Warden's commitment to the planning and success of Pullman Pride. She is very dedicated and has done a great job. She also thanked all that came out that day to enjoy the event. If you didn't attend you will want to consider coming next year. It is important to get the community engaged. Galdikas also thanked the fire department for the breakfast and helping out with filling of the dunk tank. It was a great day.

Road Committee: Ray Russell reported that they are starting on Laurence Drive and the bridge on 51st Street.

Clean Team: Committee Member A. Hatfield reported the Cleanup Saturday and Sunday August 19th and the 20th. Anyone interested in volunteering is welcome. Ann also mentioned that Community Action offers rides with 48 hours advance notice. Lastly, The People Helping People picnic will be held on August 26th and that Love Inc. is still taking backpack applications.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

Internet I2K internet Tower: Supervisor Owen wanted the board to start discussion on the I2K internet tower. This tower has supplied the township with free internet for years. Supervisor Owen stated that there were negotiations taking place and more information would follow. This was tabled to the next board meeting.

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

Reminder: Master Plan meeting/work session will be held on October 16, 2017.

Correspondence: None

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.
Minutes submitted by:

Jacquelyn A. King
Lee Township Clerk