

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:30 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 mentioned a recent house fire and that the resident, Faye Higgs was in the hospital and asked for those in the meeting to keep her in their thoughts and prayers. He also thanked Tim Looman of Richwood Contracting for doing a great job and completing the Community Center roof. Trustee Galdikas announced that Al-Van would be offering a low cost spay and neuter clinic in conjunction with the Phoenix Road Animal Hospital on February 27th. Anyone interested can call Al-Van to be added to the list. She also mentioned that she had applied for a grant through Allegan Community Foundation Love Your Hometown for the township welcome signs. Voting will take place from February 14th through March 31st and you can vote every day. Galdikas also mentioned the Allegan County Peanut Butter Drive through the end of February. The Linking Center is Pullman's local drop off sight for peanut butter donations.

Citizen's Comments: Resident S. Lacy was pleased to announce that her daughter, Tammy, who has been in the hospital for 50 days, received good news today. She will be able to come home in a couple weeks. She thanked the VFW and Auxiliary for putting on a fund raiser and for all the support, thoughts and prayers.

Jeff Kruithof from the Pullman Linking Center stated during the cold weather the center served as a warming location for residents. They were able to partner with the Red Cross, who provided cots and blankets. During the extreme cold weather they were able to shelter 29 residents. He also thanked the Lee Township Fire Department for allowing the use of the showers. He thanked the community for sharing their Facebook post over 400 times and it was viewed by 23,000. The center is averaging 30 children after school for a full meal, and homework and reading time. He announced the summer Spring Hill Camp, which is a day camp in Pullman. Scholarships available this year will allow youth to attend for \$20.00 instead of the normal cost of \$200.00. Brochures were available for those interested. Lastly, the center is seeing seniors everyday who come to walk indoors and students are attending the GED classes. Resident S. Anderson spoke of VFW Auxiliary fund raiser for Sally Lacy's daughter and personally thanked the fire department for providing the desserts. She also announced that the VFW will be hosting a Valentine's Day dinner on Thursday. They will be serving chicken and roasted potatoes and will have baskets to raffle off. Dinner starts at 5 pm with Karaoke starting at 6 pm.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to approve the minutes from the January 2019 Regular Meeting with correction. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to approve the Special Meeting minutes from January 28, 2019. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

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

Commissions Report: No Report

Deputies Report: No report

Fire Department: During the month there were 8 fire calls. The training for the month was Pittsburg Drill and Obstacle Course training. Chief Chamberlain requested another Special Meeting with the Board to discuss further the proposal for day shift coverage. He has met with another insurance company to see

what rates would be for a new replacement truck. Chief Chamberlain will be meeting with the ISO Insurance Services in hopes of getting our rating reduced from the current 9 to an 8.

First Responders: During the month of January there were 39 medical, 4 accidents with a year to date total of 63 calls.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Harris has been keeping up with transfers and deeds. Currently the database is being audited at the County. The Assessment notices are due to go out on February 25th with the Board of Review set for its organization meeting on March 5th and the Board of Review hours are set for March 11th from 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 5 pm, March 13th from 6 to 9 pm and March 14th from 9 am to noon. Assessor Harris presented two land splits for the Board.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve parcel #12-032-001-10 on 102nd and 56th Avenue for property Owen F. Rawson as presented and approved by assessor. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Second land division for P. Black will be tabled for more information.

Ambulance Report: No report

Building Report: During the month there were 10 electrical, 2 plumbing, 3 mechanical and 2 building permits issued with total improvements of \$106,800.00.

Community Center: First meeting will be in the next two weeks and will have a report at next month's meeting. Meeting will be on the 3rd Friday of February.

Cemetery Report: No report. S. Lacy reported that Eva had been in the hospital but is back home. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Library Report: No report

Transfer Station: During the month of January there was \$603.00 collected and 21 tickets redeemed.

Lake Board: No report

Newsletter Report: No report

Holiday Committee: No report. Trustee Galdikas brought Valentine's Day treats.

Pullman Pride Committee: Scholarship information is on website. Please encourage those interested to apply by April 12.

Road Committee: No report

Clean Team: Committee member A. Hatfield has been out due to an injury. It was requested to keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road Millage: Supervisor Owen reported that in reviewing the two worst roads in the community, he determined that there would be enough money in the road millage to do 58th Street between 106th and 108th if we used 1 ½" of hot mix. This would give us another 12 years on the road.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Black to sign the work order for 58th Street between 109th and 106th avenue. Roll call was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Tax Penalty Waiver: Treasurer Lowery stated that February 14th is the last day to pay taxes without a penalty. She requested that we extend the date to February 28th as done in the previous years.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Owen to extend the deadline from the 14th to the 28th of February. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Approval for Mowing bids: Tabled until next month.

Gravel Bids: Supervisor Owen recommended gravel for 53rd Street from Nadeau to 105th, 51st Street around the bridge and Amelia Street by Lowery Scott Lake. He is requesting permission to have the ACRC provide bids.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Budget Adjustment: *Motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Black to approve the budget adjustments as requested. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.*

Board of Review: *Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Owen to publish to notice of March Board of Review. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.*

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

Correspondence: None

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

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Minutes submitted by:
Jacquelyn A. King
Lee Township Clerk