

Lee Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2020

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.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Board Comment: Clerk King announced the upcoming election on March 10, 2020. It will be the closed Presidential Primary with polls open at 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Supervisor Owen announced the upcoming Census. Residents should see notices in their mailboxes soon.

Citizen Comments:

Resident B. Lewis had questions regarding being an alternate on the Board of Review and about the trustee position. Resident E. Brock also presented questions regarding the policy for the alternate on the Board of Review. Resident S. Kay announced there will be an Easter Egg Hunt held at The Linking Center on April 11th.

Guest Speaker – Mary Whiteford: Representative Whiteford gave an update on the happenings at the State. She has been working on Auto Insurance Reform which will go into effect July 2 and give the insured more options for medical coverage in cases of auto accidents. Representative Whiteford is also working on implementation of a statewide the Mental Health crisis hotline as well as other programs to promote more awareness and options for those struggling.

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for January 13, 2020 minutes all voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

A motion was made by Galdikas and seconded by Owen to receive the Treasurer’s report. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Galdikas, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Commissioners Report: No report

Deputy Report: No report

Fire Department Report: During the month there were 16 calls. The department is finishing up with FEMA training. The Lee Township Fire Department played dodge ball with Clyde Township Fire Department and was victorious.

First Responders Report: During the month there was a total of 36 calls and already 15 calls for the month of February.

Assessors Report: Supervisor Owen reported that the assessor has been working on processing deeds and is preparing for the upcoming March Board of Review. The Assessor has requested the Board sign a resolution to change first day of Board of Review to March 14th due to a conflict with the March Presidential Primary taking place on March 10th.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to change the conflicting date of the Board of Review to the alternative date of March 14th due to the Presidential Primary election. All voted "Aye."

Ambulance Report: No report.

Building Inspection: Supervisor Owen read the permits for the month. He reported 3 electrical, 3 mechanical, 3 building permits and 2 plumbing. The total improvements for the month was \$107,000.00.

Community Center: No report.

Cemetery Report: No report.

Library report: Library volunteer, Pam Booth has been keeping the library hours on Wednesday afternoons and doing a great job. The library is also looking for more individuals that would like to volunteer. Those interested can contact Deb Laraway at Pizza Plus.

Transfer station: During the month of January there was \$906.00 collected and 35 tickets redeemed.

Lake Board: No report

Newsletter Committee: The spring/summer edition will go out in June and the mailing list is being reviewed and updated as there were several addresses that were undeliverable.

Holiday Committee: The "Welcome" banners have gone up. Consumers will be making changes to the pole near Northwoods Café.

Pullman Pride Committee: The scholarship deadline is April 15th. Application is available on the township the website.

Road Committee: No report.

Clean Team/ Beautification Report: Debbie Laraway and Lisa Galdikas submitted a video of historical Pullman to HGTV's Hometown Takeover contest in the hopes of winning a downtown makeover. Thanks to Sam Bale for his assistance and all those who allowed us to film at their home or business. Beautification committee is working on getting volunteers to build bird houses for the cemetery.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

MTA Annual Conference: A request was made by Supervisor Owen to attend the Annual MTA Conference. The conference is a 3-day event which with registration fee, travel and hotel expense will cost under \$1,000.00.

A motion was made by Lowery and seconded Galdikas to authorize the Supervisor to attend the Annual MTA Conference with expenses not to exceed \$1,000.00. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Galdikas, Lowery, Owen and King. Motion carried.

Gravel Road: Supervisor Owen passed out a Lee Township road map to go over the recommendations made by the Allegan County Road Commission.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Lowery to adopted the recommendations for gravel projects. All voted “Aye.”

Tax Exemption Penalty: The Treasurer requested approval to extend the tax collection deadline date from February 14th to March 2nd.

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded Owen to extend the tax deadline date to March 2, 2020. All voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

Poverty Guidelines: A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to adopt the federal poverty guideline as recommended. All voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

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

Correspondence: None

A motion was made by Owen and seconded by Galdikas to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm. All voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by: Jacquelyn King, Clerk