



Lee Crossings



Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan

Summer 2010

SPIRITS DAMPENED BUT NOT PRIDE

For the first time in over 20 years the Lee Township Memorial Day Parade was rained out. Holding out hope, many participants showed up in hopes the weather would break in time. But threatening weather forced them to take cover. Thanks to those residents who came out to view the parade. The Casco Band provided some lively entertainment at the VFW for those who retreated indoors. Special thanks go out to the VFW for planning the annual event and to all our veterans who have served us and our country.



TREE DEDICATION HONORING OUR VETERANS

A tree dedication took place on Friday May 28th at the new park across from Pullman Elementary thanks to the Friends of Veterans, V.F.W. Post 6134, and the Ladies Auxiliary. Special thanks to Great Lakes Ornamentals, Vicki Lindsey and Mike Curley for their contributions. The donated red maple tree and stone plaque honoring our veterans were placed at the playground. The dedication was attended by residents and Pullman Elementary School students. Be sure to come see the red maple and Veterans plaque just off the closed section of South Street in the park.



Pullman Elementary Safety Patrol raises flag at park.



Pullman Elementary students attending the dedication. Picture above: Hannah Ashcraft, Exavion Johnson, Alexia Lopez, Jennifer Martinez and Gustavo Silva.

Congratulations to our 3 Pullman Pride Scholarship Winners!

(Below are excerpts from the winning essays submitted.)

Submitted by:

Emily Rawson

Let me start by saying I couldn't be Prouder than to be a resident of Lee Township. Whether it is vacationing, city living, rural living, lake living, or even farming, all is available in Lee Township. People in Lee Township know you or your family and truly care about how you are doing. When happiness is to be shared it is celebrated and when tragedy strikes again this small town comes together like no place else. I believe that my love, connection and desire to be part of this area will always bring me home. I always strive to give something back to the community that helped to raise me and make me who I am. I have helped with Pullman Pride Day for 5 years, the Easter Egg Hunt for 5 years, set up a holiday fair in December for my senior project right here at Pullman Elementary School, participated in the Memorial Day parades with the band, and joined the Lee Township Fire Department as a Junior Firefighter. I have also helped the PTO with school beautification, dances, sleepovers, and youth sports. Even though I am only 18, I feel the honor, respect, and responsibility of being a role model for all of the students in our community. The staff and students at Bloomingdale High School have recognized my contributions to my community and nominated me for the Good Citizen Award (This was truly an honor). I know that some of you know who my family is and maybe you think I volunteer because I have to. But, I can assure you that is not the reason. You see I was fortunate to grow up in a household that taught and believes we should all help one another. Knowing that this scholarship comes from the community that helped make me who I am is amazing and just one more way that proves this community believes in its youth. I plan on becoming a physical therapist with sports medicine training. This decision came while being so involved in sports, incurring a blown ACL and the dedication therapists had to my compete healing. I will attend



Submitted by: **Joe Sapp**

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for this scholarship. I have been a proud resident of Lee Township for 18 years. As a resident I am aware of the struggles that can consume communities of our size. I am proud of the efforts of individuals to instill a sense of pride and community in our area and give a helping hand to graduating seniors.

High School has been a huge learning experience for me. My expectations for myself, my career choices, and future educational plans have evolved, morphed, changed and solidified as I continue to mature as a student. I entered high school as an average student. My middle school grades were in the A-B range. I received lots of support from my teachers. I thought about careers and decided on something math based. My freshman year was an eye opening experience. The expectations of independent work skills, time management and attention to details far surpassed my abilities. I was in over my



head and instead of asking for help I ignored the warning signs. Life Lesson #1: If you need help don't be ashamed, afraid, or too arrogant to ask for it. That is a lesson that will continue to help me as I face leaving the security of the high school and going out on my own.

My sophomore year was much the same. I wanted to change things but didn't realize that the "change" I was looking for needed to begin with me. Life Lesson # 2: How you define yourself impacts those around you and influences their opinions and expectations of you. Then I met 2 teachers that challenged me. First, they saw me as a person, one with potential. Second, they took an interest in me and formed a personal relationship with me. Suddenly I wanted to do better, to make them proud and to prove I was capable of what they put forward. I needed that support.

My junior year seemed to take on a different feel. Suddenly grades were a lot more important and each project/paper/test seemed to take on significance. I attribute this to maturing as well as the lessons running taught me. Life Lesson # 3: Have a plan, strive for your goals, never accept defeat and realize that failure is a part of the learning process. Do I wish I would have learned that life lesson earlier...of course. But you learn at your own pace and through your own struggles.

My senior year has been one of struggles and incredible learning. I now struggle with the fears of grades and G.P.A. I have tried to pull myself out of the hole I'm in by taking challenging classes, having a good work ethic and developing solid management skills. Life Lesson # 4: Accept facts, move on, try harder, don't make the same mistakes and remember not to let your past cloud your vision of who you are and what you can achieve.

I intend to continue these life lessons through college, but also for the remainder of my life.

Submitted by: **Patrick Curley II**

There are many mysteries in the quiet township of Lee, yet everybody knows everybody while seldom people know of us. When people ask "Where are you from?" and we answer "Pullman" they never know where it is. That is where the fun starts about telling people what I love about living in a small community like Lee Township. The townsfolk here are so friendly we rarely need any law enforcement. No matter what color of skin you have or where you originate from, there is no discrimination here in my life.

I am 18 years of age and am a graduating senior at Bloomingdale High School. I have lived in Lee Township ever since I was born. I am currently involved with the Lee Township Fire Department as a probationary firefighter. A large majority of my time is devoted to community service with the meetings and calls that I attend to. Juggling school grades, sports, and dealing with everyday problems is small in measure compared to being a public servant in a small community. I am also currently enrolled in a law enforcement class so that I can be a parole officer to help people for a living. When I can, I volunteer at the annual Pullman Pride Day. No matter what I do, I try my best to help out with the kind citizens in our great community. In conclusion, I would like to thank my parents for selecting this community to be raised in, to learn small town values, to have close friends, and to be proud of my community.





MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Pullman Pride Day is coming Saturday July 17th from 8am-5pm. There is something for EVERYONE, from bingo to raffles to the silent auction, to karaoke, to games for the kids and great food booths. This is a day filled with fun and friendship. Flea market spaces for crafters and vendors or home businesses are still available for \$20 and one donated item for the silent auction. We are also interested in hearing from music groups and anyone interested in providing karaoke. Contact Pam Rawson @ 434-6477 or email prawso2@yahoo.com or Hope Curley @ 236-5672. Cash donations or items for the silent auction are always welcome.



Lee Township welcomed **Deputy Ray Retamal** at the April Township meeting. Officer Retamal comes to us via working for the Saugatuck/Douglas community and Wayland Township. He has been with the Allegan County

Sherriff's office for 8 years. Officer Retamal is married and has 6 children. Two of his children have recently enlisted in the Navy.

Officer Retamal encouraged all residents to take pride in their community and if anyone sees any suspicious situation or acts of vandalism within the community they should contact central dispatch (call 911) and report what they have seen as detailed as possible. You can report information anonymously. Working together we can make Lee Township a safer community for all residents to enjoy.

Update on new Fire Station/Township Hall

At the June 23rd Special Meeting, the township board met to discuss and vote on if the township offices should be removed from the plans due to the economic conditions and financial constraints being experienced. The board voted to proceed only with the proposed new fire station and to remove the township offices from the plans. This will save considerable money while still allowing the fire department to benefit from the \$50,000 grant as previously approved for. Chief DeWeerd and others will have the plans re-drawn without the township offices some time in July after the annual audit report is submitted in for bond approval.

CHURCH NEWS

Bravo Christian Reform - 1317 56th St., Fennville, Pastor Don Jabaay, 236-5500. Service times: Sunday 10 am; House of Mercy (emergency food and clothing) Wednesday 12:30 -3 pm; Family Night Worship/free dinner Wednesday 5:30 pm.

Fresh Start Gospel Church - 5587 109th Ave., Pullman, Pastor Jim Blackston, 269-655-6172. Sunday School and Worship Service 2-4 pm; Bible Friendship Group Service, Wed. 7-9 pm.

Horseshoe Community Bible Church - 4950 104th Ave., Grand Junction, Pastor Don Miller. Service times: Sunday School 10 am; Morning Worship 11 am; Evening Service 6 pm.

Mt. Calvary MB Church -5424 105th, Pullman, Pastor Rev. A.G. Bailey, 269-764-0049, Clerk 269-236-5010. Service times: Sunday School 10 am; Morning Worship 11 am; Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Tuesdays 5:30 pm.

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church - 558 58th St. Pullman, Pastor Steppney Black, 236-5693 or 5722. Service times: Sunday School 9:30 am; Morning Worship 11 am; Bible Class and Prayer Service Tuesday 6 pm.

Pullman Bible Church- 5508 109th, Pullman, Pastor Jeff Stephens, 236-0409. Service times: Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am; Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 pm.

Pullman Country Chapel - 5769 106th Ave, Pullman, 236-9869. Service times: Sunday School 10 am and Worship Service at 11 am and 6 pm and Wednesday at 7 pm; Ladies Prayer meeting every other Friday at 6:30 pm;

Ray of Light Church - 886 60th St., Pastor Mary Hoots, 236-6966. Service times: Sunday Worship 10 am - noon and 6 - 8 pm; Family Training Wednesday 6:30 pm.

Seventh Day Adventist Church- 671 52nd St., 236-5011, Pastor William Richardson 616-644-4153.

Worship Services: Sabbath school- Saturday 9:30 am; Divine worship-11 am; Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 pm.

Township Road Committee Report

The Lee township roads have been surveyed by the road committee again this spring. The winter damage was not quite as severe as last winter's. But the roads are not in good shape. This includes the gravel roads as well as the paved roads. The road committee presented a detailed report with cost estimates at the regular September 2009 township meeting. This report is available at the township office. Questions regarding this report can be directed to the committee members: Les Rawson, Ray Russell or Chuck Pugh. The real question is, "So where do we (as a township) go from here?"

A Federal Block Grant, received through the County Road Commission, has been approved to replace the culvert on 102nd between 48th and 49th. The replacement will be completed by this fall.

NEWS & NOTES

- Lee Township Board meetings take place the second Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Township Hall located at 877 56th Street, Pullman and are open to the public.
- Be sure to check out the official Lee Township website for additional information at www.leetwp.org.
- Anyone with information for the newsletter can call the Township office at 236-6485 or email to leetwp@i2k.com or send to P.O. Box 427 Pullman, MI 49450.
- Pullman Branch Library has been reorganized and is open. The new hours will be Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays from 10 am to 12 pm.
- Transfer Station hours (year round) are 9 am - 3 pm Saturday and Sunday only (no Wednesday hours).

FIRE DISTRICT HEARING to discuss the 2011 Millage rates will be held on July 12, 2010 at 7:00 pm at 877 56th Street, Pullman.

Cemetery

Reminder: grave sites must be kept within the rules that are posted in the cemetery or available in print at the township office.

General Township Information

Lee Township borders are 60th Street, 48th Street, Baseline Road and 112th Avenue, encompassing 23,040 acres, and the 2000 Census reported a population of 4,114. Lee Township is home to Pullman Elementary School; Lower Scott Lake (township park and beach, public boat access); Upper Scott Lake (public boat access); Osterhout Lake (public beach and boat access); Lester Lake, Clear Lake; Springbrook Lake; and Middle Branch of the Black River. Lee Township Cemetery is located at 53rd and 105th Avenue.

Township Board Members & Department Staff *Township Office 236-6485*

Steve Miller, Supervisor 214-6276
Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk 236-6446
Jessie Lowery, Treasurer 434-6614
Steppney (Steve) Black, Trustee 236-5693
Bruce Ferguson, Trustee 434-6507
Doug Brousseau, Assessor 699-7619
Paul Shamblin, Building Inspector 628-5255
Nelvin DeWeerd, Fire Chief 236-5492
Ted Chamberlain, Asst. Fire Chief 236-5988
Albert Rawson, First Responders 434-6477
Mark Lytle and Ray Ratamal, Twp Deputies 673-0500
Lee Township Transfer Station 236-6485

*The Lee Township Board
welcomes all comments and suggestions either
by mail, e-mail, fax or left at the office.*

Township Ordinances (copies are available at the township office or can be viewed at the official Lee Township website)

#2003 Disorderly Conduct
#2009 Motor Vehicle Code
#2011 Animal Control
#2012 Anti-noise & Public Nuisance
#2013 Trash & Leaf Burning
#2016 Curfew
#2017 Plumbing Code
#2020 Cemetery - replaced with #2029
#2021 Dangerous Building
#2022 Litter
#2023 Vehicle Storage & Repair
#2024 Salvage Yard
#2025 Blight Elimination
#2026 Single Family Residences
#2027 Motor Vehicle
#2028 State Construction Code
#2029 Cemetery

LEE TOWNSHIP TREASURER NEWS

Summer 2010 Taxes

The Treasurer will collect taxes at the **Township Office** on **Fridays 9 am – 5 pm** the months of July, August and September. Interest will be added to taxes paid after **September 14th**. Summer 2010 Tax bill can be paid to Lee Township Treasurer until February 28, 2011.

Summer Deferment form may be filed to defer payment of tax on principal residence of persons 62 years of age or older or property that is classified or used as agricultural property until the time that winter taxes are due. Forms are available at the Township Office, www.leetwp.org and www.allegancounty.org. The form must be filed with township treasurer by September 15, 2010.

The **Board of Review** will convene on July 19, 2010 at 4:30 pm to correct any mutual mistake of fact or clerical errors on tax notice. Notify the Treasurer or Assessor of any necessary corrections upon receipt of tax bill.

This year all of the county's allocated millage will be collected on the summer 2010 tax bill. The 6 mills State Education Tax (S.E.T.) is collected on the summer bill and the winter bill will no longer reflect these taxes.

2010 -11 Budget

The Board approved the budget for the fiscal year April 01, 2010 to March 31, 2011.

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	\$408,676.54	\$68,3330.00
Fire Dept	\$262,639.49	\$18,6915.00
First Responders	\$92,880.21	\$69, 793.00

For Your Information (F.Y.I.)

Anyone interested in working on the committee for the recently acquired church building on 56th should plan to attend a meeting on Wednesday July 14th at 2:00 pm at the church (across from Pizza Plus on 56th Street). Bring your ideas for how best the township can utilize this great gift. You can direct any questions to Sandy Anderson at 236-5654.

Congratulations to Pullman resident **Albert Rawson, age 9**, who was selected as Lil' Mr. Bloomingdale!

Congratulations to **Albert Rawson Jr.** who recently has been promoted to Captain of Fire Station #2.

A **Back To School Carnival** hosted by Fresh Start Gospel Church will take place on Sunday August 15th 2-5pm at the church located at 5581 109th St. Everyone is welcome to come out and enjoy the games, puppets, prizes and fun. There is no cost to this event and children can win prizes to help them get ready to go back to school such as crayons, notebooks, pencils and backpacks. For more information or questions call: 269-521-4178 or 269-655-6172.

Transfer Station

Each Taxpayer received two (2) tickets in the summer 2010 tax bill to be used by Township residents *only* for a free dump load at their leisure. Additional tickets for those property owners who have received a blight warning/citation can be picked up at the Township Office on Fridays or by contacting a Board Member. Tickets received prior to July 2007 will not be honored. Remember, recycling newspaper, shredded paper, cardboard, magazines, and clean glass/plastic/cans is free.

Sonshine Thrift Store sponsored by Bravo Church will be holding a Church Yard Sale/Flea Market on Saturday July 30th at 113th east of 56th St. Contact Gayle @ 236-5037 if you would like to set up a space. The Thrift Store is open weekly Tuesday-Saturday 10-4.

Another great turnout for the annual Easter Egg Hunt held on Saturday April 10th. Special thanks go out to Northwoods Café and Ray of Light Church for donating all the candy and prizes and Emily Rawson and Katie McPike for hiding all the eggs!

People Helping People and Love INC are calling all area churches, agencies and township leaders to participate in a community leadership forum on Wednesday July 21 from 6-8 pm at the PHP/Love INC building on 56th St (just north of 109th). Food will be provided and we hope for a good open dialogue about community needs and how best to address them. Questions call Love INC at 269-355-2731.

The **Clean Team** will continue to work through the summer and fall. Volunteers are encouraged to join in on the clean up. We meet at the following Saturdays and the township hall.

July 10 9-11 am

August 14 9-11 am

September 11 10-12 pm

October 9 10-12 pm

For questions contact Donna Allgaier-Lamberti 236-0325.

LOVE INC. -Boost Life Skills

L.I.F.E. Skills Program is a weekly, local program that offers classes and mentoring on Tuesday evening to help people learn to cope, plan and achieve goals to improve their quality of life. Participation involves attending classes and meeting with a mentor. Case management, support and advocacy is provided. Participants earn vouchers for regular access to basic needs pantries and additional resources through their participation.

Currently, Community Budget Classes are offered through our L.I.F.E. Skills Program. Pre-registration required, please contact Martha Cerda at Love INC, 269-355-2731. **Open enrollment all year.**

People Helping People (PHP) of Pullman is a *faith based ministry* dedicated to serving the needs of people by offering faith, hope and help to the local area residents. It acts a referral service helping with food, clothing, addictions, and home repairs by partnering with numerous local agencies to accomplish this goal. Recently, PHP has been involved in organizing volunteers from Ridge Point Community Church in Holland who did local home repairs including painting, installing doors, and yard clean-up and partnered with Hungry for Christ to distribute food to 500 people in the community. This summer PHP will be having several youth teams from churches help with area clean-up projects. People Helping People is looking for donations of construction and building material supplies as well as monetary donations.

On Saturday, August 28 Pullman area residents are again invited to the 3rd annual community picnic located PHP/ Love INC on 56th St just north of 109th. Come here more about the ministry while enjoying local music and wonderful food! For more information call 269-455-9755 or visit

Proposed "new" 109th County Drain District

On June 3rd Becky Rininger Drain Commissioner, held a meeting at the Lee Township Hall. There were two drain proposals presented by Wightman Jones Engineering of Allegan. The approximate costs of the two proposals were \$425,000 and \$240,000. The \$240,000 proposal seemed to be the most preferred by everyone. Acquiring easements for the ditches and culverts would be the most difficult task. The \$240,000 proposal would run drains along 109th (up to 52nd) and use a route 800 feet south of 109th to pick up the water that would drain into the wetlands between 52nd and 53rd Streets and then into Upper Scott Lake. The earliest that this project could be completed would be the fall of 2010.

FEATURED ARTICLE.....

YMCA CAMP CHANNING REMEMBERED....

"CAMP CHANNING, CAMP CHANNING, THAT'S WHERE THE REAL GUYS GO" the mantra as sung for generations by boys and young men who traveled up the dirt road to Camp Channing. Both Camp Channing and Camp Sears were located on Upper Scott Lake in Pullman, Michigan. The Y.M.C.A. (Young Men's Christian Association) via the Division Street YMCA in Chicago Illinois sponsored Camp Channing. The "Y" was a building which not only housed men for short periods of time, but also provided a gathering place for swimming, basketball, running, working out, fellowship and other social advantages regardless of religious affiliation. Camp turned boys into men and built confidence and self esteem.

Boys who wanted to attend Camp could either pay their way or work in the kitchen for their room and board as times were tough during the years of the Great Depression. Those fortunate enough to make it to Camp enjoyed a vacation in this "heavenly utopia" and enjoyed swimming, fishing, hiking, goofy-golf, volleyball, basketball, archery, baseball, boating, canoe trips, campfires, crafts, boating & swimming competitions with Camp Sears, and singing camp songs. Lifelong friendships were formed and became the foundation for Camp Channing Family Camp.

After returning from World War II, the men, now dating or engaged, were able to come back to camp on holiday weekends like Fourth of July, Memorial Day, and Labor Day. As they married, Camp saw the need for a Family Camp program and scheduled the last two weeks of August for Family Camp. And this is where my story begins.

It was somewhere in the neighborhood of 1955 that Family Camp was established. The now married men and their families came to Camp to learn and experience all that they had as boys. In addition to the aforementioned activities, Game Night, Bingo Night, Whale Hunts, canoe trips on the Kalamazoo River, trips to Mt. Baldy, hikes to the sand-dunes for campfires and lessons from Smokey the Bear, Hawaiian Night, Italian Night, Christmas in August, Talent Night, The Fishing Tournament, going Blueberry picking at Mulaacs' Blueberry Farm, and trips to Shermans' Dairy to be challenged with a "Pig Trough" filled with a scoop of every flavor of ice cream that you had to eat in order to be awarded the "I was a pig at Shermans' Dairy" pin. Sunday mass was held in the chapel at Camp Sears where a visiting priest would come in from one of the neighboring towns. Grace was sung before each meal and later comers would have to sing "I'm a little prairie flower" in order to eat. And then there were the traditional songs that were sung after meals just for fun.

Camps' lodgings had something to offer for everyone: the Farmhouse for multiple families, the Hospital (a.k.a. Iodine Inn) for four families, the boys cabins for men and their sons, the Staff House for women and young children and babies, the women's unit on the baseball field for women and young girls and two motels each housing two families. The Camp Director, Mr. Bell and his wife and family stayed in a third motel which was living quarters for them for the summer. Buildings without bathroom facilities shared the K.Y.B.O. (Keep Your Bowels Open). Meals were provided by the kitchen staff that truly made it a vacation for the moms who didn't have to worry about cooking. Who could ask for anything more? The end of the week meant it was time for the Campfire. Children would get their faces painted and don headbands and feathers. Indian braves would guide us the campfire site where we would pray to Great God Manatau to send us fire and magically a fireball appeared and lit our fire. In between songs and skits, "Farmer" handed out fishing trophies and certificates acknowledging their achievements. The lifeguard would pass out certificates for swimming across the lake and other accomplishments.

In the 1970's the "Y" built a Metro Y.M.C.A. in downtown Chicago and it was financially burdened. The neighborhood Division Street Y.M.C.A. no longer had a strong membership due to a change in demographics and later was torn down to make way for a fast food restaurant. This led to the demise of Camps Channing and Camp Sears. The Lodge burnt down leaving only the two gigantic, hand built fireplaces. It was rebuilt but Mother Nature inflicted some damage to the Staff House and we later learned that the Farmhouse had burned to the ground. Damage to the buildings was also inflicted by a bunch of kids who took hammers to the porcelain sinks and damaged other areas as well. We attended meetings with the Board of Directors but our efforts were futile. They had already planned to sell the property. As you can imagine this was heartbreaking to the Channingers and many tears were shed, as this was their home away from home, their safe haven, their utopia.

Happily we worked on finding a new location to continue the Camp Channing tradition. We were like gypsies moving from camp to camp until we found a more permanent home at Camp Ravenswood in Lake Villa Illinois. We were there for about fourteen years and had to relocate once again to make way for an after school program for handicapped children. A few years later the three camps on Lake Hastings were also sold.

I am happy to report that Camp Channing is still alive and we are in our fourth generation. We've been together for over 50 years that's almost hard to believe when most marriages don't make it to their 25th anniversaries. We have lost some of our original campers but the void has been filled by new baby campers. I myself, a camper from year one, have been involved in the planning and continuation of Camp for over thirty-five years and have loved every minute of it. Carrying on the activities and traditions, from the jellybean guessing and fishing contests to singing the Channing Yen, If You Want To Be A Channinger, We are from Camp Channing,

Old Hogan's Goat, My Aunt Came Back, Good Morning Mr. Zip, Rise & Shine, Little Red Caboose, There Were Three Jolly Fisherman, and Oh, You Can't Get to Heaven, to name a few.

There is something magical about Camp Channing, about getting together with the same families year after year. A safe haven where families spend time together and adults spend time with lifelong friends. People enjoying people, people enjoying nature, no television, no phones, just peace and quiet. Listening to children sing our camp songs, songs that they have practiced all year long and hearing them sing their little hearts out...and being so proud that they did it! Yes, Camp is magical and out of all the places I've traveled there's no better place to vacation than Camp. Camp is our home away from home and maybe it is so special because "Home is Where Your Heart Is".

Written By: Colette M. Sitko Camp Channinger since 1959

(The building once known as Camp Channing is now privately owned by Steve Julian who continues renovations. The two original fieldstone fireplaces still remain and are as beautiful as ever.)

Lee Township Regular Board Meeting Synopsis of Minutes

March 2010 Regular Meeting

A motion carried to approved for the regular board minutes of February 8th and the Special Meeting of February 25, 2010 and to accept the treasurers report.

A motion carried to authorize the clerk to publish the Annual Budget meeting scheduled for March 27th.

A motion was made and approved to authorize the clerk to pay the bills as presented.

March 24, 2010 Special Meeting

The purpose of the special meeting was to open sealed bids for the removal of trees on the proposed fire station site.

A motion carried to accept the bid from Pat's Excavating in the amount of \$2250.00.

March 27, 2010 Annual Budget Meeting

A motion carried to approve the proposed budget for the Fire Station, First Responders as presented and the General Fund with changes.

A motion carried to adopt the General Appropriation Act as presented with changes.

April 12, 2010 - Regular Meeting

A motion carried to approve the Regular Meetings of the March 8, 2010 meeting, the Special Meeting dated March 25, 2010 and the Treasurer's report received as presented.

A motion carried to authorize the cemetery to spend \$50 for flowers.

A motion carried to authorize the clerk to publish the Spring Cemetery Clean up notice for May 1st.

A motion carried to sign a resolution for the charitable gaming license for the Lower Scott Lake Association's picnic.

A motion carried to make the final budget adjustment to both revenue and expenditures.

A motion carried to authorize the clerk to post the request for mowing bids.

A motion carried to authorize the clerk to pay the bills in the amount of \$61,067.52.

May 10, 2010 - Regular Meeting

A motion carried to give transfer station tickets to People Helping People for when they are conducting volunteer clean up work with Lee Township Residents.

Motions carried to approved the Regular Meeting minutes of April 12, 2010, Special Meeting April 26, 2010 and to received the treasurer's report as presented.

A motion carried to authorize the clerk to publish notices for the grant process for the repair of the culvert on 102nd street.

A motion carried to grant a noise ordinance waiver for the mud run on 58th street.

A motion carried to accept the bid presented by R&N Mowing for mowing.

A motion carried to authorize the clerk to pay the bills in the amount of \$39,845.54 as presented. A motion was also approved to pay the election staff from the May 4th election in the amount of \$493.00.00.



A complete copy of the minutes can be obtained on www.leetwp.org or at the township office.

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Bell's Grocery
Bodtke Farms
Cericola's Banquet and Hall Rental
Clemons Blueberries
Country Life Natural Foods & Store
Dave's Tree Service
Dream House Development
H & F Electronics
InterCare Community Health Network
Image Designer
LaTienda Store
Laraway & Son Movers
Larson's Hardware
Maynard's Customized Concrete

Mrs. Earl's Greenhouse
Mystic View Apartments
Nolan's Party Store
Northwoods Café
Pat Knapp's Excavating
Pizza Plus
Preferred Market
Pullman Tavern (PT109)
Rawson Brothers Auto Parts
Rosewood Floral & Gift Shop
Sam's Auto
Shear Fantasy Beauty Shop
Simpсарosa Riding Stables
Studio 109- Forever Tan
T & J Trucking
Terry's Auto Sales
Warner Camp
West Pullman Grocery