

Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board

January 12, 2016

PRESENT: Ann C. Duby, Cheryl Hopp, Cynthia Infante, Heather Lovell, and Gary A. Neumann

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dave Lovell, Fire Chief Lewicki, Ron Tallieu, Eric Bankhead, and Tammy Kengel.

Supervisor Neumann called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Neumann added two items to the Agenda: STING project and Mileage Rate Change. Board concurred.

Neumann moved, Duby supported a motion to accept the minutes of the 11/10/15 Regular Meeting of the Board. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the minutes of the 12/8/15 Regular Meeting of the Board. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated December 9, 2015 through January 11, 2016 as presented: General Fund totaling \$7,766.41; Direct Deposit Checks totaling \$5,458.94; Fire Fund totaling \$3,885.92; Landfill Fund totaling \$2,078.80; and Liquor Fund totaling \$18.82. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report dated 12/8/15 accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report dated 1/12/16 accepted as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Assessing – Supervisor Neumann reported Assessment Notices will be mailed in February. Also, Board of Review Meeting to be held on March 8, 2016 will be held at 3 PM in the Assessor's Office rather than the Hall due to the Presidential Primary being conducted that day.

In addition, Board agreed to change the March 8th Regular Meeting of the Board to March 10, 2016 at 10 AM due to the Election.

Fire Department – Chief Lewicki reported four runs for the month of December (all Fire) with a total of 73 runs in 2015 (23 Fire/50 EMS); Total number of runs were down from the previous year. No major incidents with equipment or personnel; Thermal Imager invoice totaled \$5,826 with payment to be split between the Fire Fund and the Bridgewalk Funds; Medical rig/Suburban has battery issues and will be going in for service.

Liquor Inspector – Infante received the report and it is on file.

Zoning Administrator – No report

Zoning Enforcement Officer – No report

COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:

Board of Review – Organizational Meeting 3/8/16 at 3 PM in the Assessor's Office; Meeting with the public 3/15/16 from 3 PM – 9 Pm and 3/17/16 from 9 AM – 3 PM in the Town Hall.

Historical Society – First Hot Stove Nite Thursday, Jan. 14th, 6 PM at the Lovells Restaurant; Speaker John Walters.

Lovells Median and Reading Center – No report

Lovells Township Planning Commission – Infante reported that the PC held its Organizational Meeting and all officers will remain the same—Chair Denny Inman, Vice Chair Melanie Cragg, and Secretary Sally Brand. 2016-17 Meetings set for: March 7, June 6, Sept. 26, Dec. 5, and Jan. 9, 2017 all at 5 PM in the Town Hall.

Crawford County Planning Commission – No report.

Zoning Board of Appeals – No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Neumann briefed Board on status of our credit with our compacted waste hauler, Waste Management.
2. Neumann briefed on three cases RE: Landfill Fund Tax Roll-Sastamoinen on E. Co. Road 612, Fifelski on Big Creek Lodge Road, and Crane on Lovells Road.
3. Infante briefed on MTA opinion RE: changing the Supervisor position to a per diem position. In MTA's opinion, Clerk, Treasurer, and Supervisor can only be salary positions. There are procedures for lowering these salaries, but not without changing statutory duties. Board discussed and made a decision to leave the Supervisor positions as is regarding salary and statutory duties.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Eric Bankhead, Secretary/Treasurer of the Friends of the Lovells Township Volunteer Fire & EMS Department gifted \$10,000 towards the purchase of a Class 2 Breathing Air Fill Station for the Fire Department.
2. Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to change the Regular Board Meetings to 10 AM year round. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED. Clerk to make sure change is highlighted in notices, newspaper, and website.
3. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to re-state as a matter of Transfer Station policy: "Transfer Station Attendants reserve the right to refuse any items considered hazardous or inappropriate." All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
4. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to proceed with the Value Payment System as discussed. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
5. Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to accept STING support at a cost of \$438.20 pending confirmation from County that all Townships are participating. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
6. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adopt the IRS standard mileage reimbursement rate of 54 cents per mile for calendar year 2016. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. MTA article dated Dec. 2015 regarding the Medical Marijuana.
2. Neumann distributed draft of the General & Liquor Fund Budgets for FY 2016-17 to be discussed at our February Regular Meeting of the Board

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

11:03 AM – Neumann opened Public Comment Period. No comment.

11:04 AM – Neumann closed Public Comment Period.

11:04 AM- Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adjourn. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, February 9, 2016, 10 AM at the Town Hall.

Cynthia Infante

Lovells Township Clerk

