

Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board

April 11, 2017

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

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Bill Gibas, Dave Lovell, Chief Lewicki, Jamie Houserman, and Randy Long

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

Neumann requested the addition of a Budget Resolution as New Business Item #6. No objections.

Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated March 10, 2017 through April 10, 2017 as presented: General Fund totaling \$10,282.59; Direct Deposit Checks totaling \$5,535.24; Fire Fund totaling \$11,218.88; Landfill Fund totaling \$3,119.33; and Liquor Fund totaling \$00.00. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report received and accepted as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: Michigan Dept. of Transportation Invitation to their annual elected officials' transportation planning meeting; Crawford County Sheriff's Office 2016 Report.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Assessing – Houserman reported 15 total petitions at March Board of Review (two were VA Exemptions; three attended a BOR session; only two changes made). Also, reported that fieldwork will be commencing.

Fire Department – Chief Lewicki reported four total runs in March (one-Fire/three EMS); Receiving bids on upcoming Fire Barn improvements and may present to Board next month.

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

Zoning Administrator – Infante-Inman briefed on Gauthier's written report.

Zoning Enforcement Officer – Dave Lovell briefed on Grimes case; Zoning postcard will be discussed later as "Unfinished Business".

COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:

Board of Review – Covered in Assessor's Report.

Historical Society – Heather Lovell reported that Chase Lohr has been hired as new Docent; Still looking for a docent for Fridays; Save Spartan Nash receipts for a grant; Annual Beaver, Beer & Banjo will be held July 20th.

Lovells Media and Reading Center – Hopp reported on progress.

Lovells Township Planning Commission – Infante-Inman reported that PC Chair, Denny Inman, will have a letter to Board requesting approval of two Zoning Amendments at our May 16th Board Meeting.

Crawford County Planning Commission – Email from Chairman, Chris Jones, stating that they reviewed our proposed amendments as required and found the "proposed changes are appropriate".

Zoning Board of Appeals – No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Neumann reported on I.T. Right work completed in March.
2. Board reviewed and discussed Zoning Postcard to be mailed out in May regarding Zoning Violations. Board agreed to a June 1, 2017 date for residents to comply. Lovell to proceed with project.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Neumann briefed on Township Hall Door Project. Infante-Inman moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the quote totaling \$9,605.00 as presented. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
2. Board discussed Crawford County's Proposal for new voting tabulators and Sandra Moore's request for a Board Resolution to apply for a grant from the Secretary of State for the purchase of the new voting system from Dominion Voting. Neumann moved, Lovell support a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. RESOLUTION ADOPTED.
3. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion approving, as presented, Assessor's attendance at a Land Values Class to be held in West Branch. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
4. Board discussed possible Board meeting changes as presented by Neumann (from an article published in MTA's April/May issue). Board consensus was to not make any meeting changes at this time.
5. Board discussed information for our next newsletter. Heather Lovell needs articles by June 1, 2017.
6. Neumann briefed on a required amendment to the Landfill Fund Budget. Neumann moved, Infante-Inman supported a motion to accept the Landfill Fund Budget Amendment as presented. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: Upcoming "Household Hazardous Waste Collection" flyer to include Tire Collection.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

11:15 AM-Neumann opened public comment period.

Lovell and Lewicki thanked the Board for their consideration. Long issued a Bridgewalk reminder.

11:16 AM-Neumann closed public comment period.

11:16 AM Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adjourn. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, May 16, 2017, 10 AM at the Town Hall.

Cynthia Infante-Inman

Lovells Township Clerk