**Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board**

**August 9, 2022**

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

**ABSENT:** None.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dan Smith CPA, Denny Inman, Sally Brand, Tim Swieczkowski, Martha Duby, Randy Long, Michael Bastuba, and Suzanne Rieder.

Supervisor Neumann called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Neumann asked that we add Dan Smith our CPA to the top of the agenda; Board concurred.

Smith briefed Board on our Audit dated March 31, 2022; Excellent report with solid policies, good checks and balances between Clerk and Treasurer; Township fiscally sound with no debt and approximately one-year operating expense in reserve.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the minutes of the July 12, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board as presented; All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated July 12, 2022 through August 4, 2022 as presented: General Fund totaling $24,866.16; Direct Deposit Checks totaling $8,652.06; Fire Fund totaling $4,438.24; Liquor Fund totaling $10.78, and Landfill Fund totaling $4,996.91; In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer’s July Report Received and Accepted as Presented.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Assessing –** Neumann stated that their work on the 20% township parcel audit is moving along and includes checking on building permits.

**Fire/EMS Department –** No report.

**Cemetery Sexton-** No report.

**Liquor Inspector-** Infante-Inman reported July Inspection Forms received and on file.

**Zoning Administrator** – Infante-Inman briefed on Gauthier’s written report for July; Six Zoning Permits issued; No other Zoning Matters to report.

**Zoning Enforcement Officer** – Neumann briefed on one case ongoing.

**COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:**

**Board of Review –** Neumann reported that July BOR did not meet due to last minute changes in State requirements.

**Historical Society –** Lovell reported that they met yesterday; Volunteers are needed for various projects; Working on their Mission Statement.

**Lovells Media and Reading Center** – Hopp reported that they are working on new shelving and Bridge Walk Book Sale.

**Crawford County Planning Commission (CCPC)-**Neumann briefed from their latest minutes provided by Rick Wright.

**Lovells Township Planning Commission (LTPC) –** Inman reported that the Lovells Township Recreational Plan is out for 30-day review period; Public Hearing on the Rec. Plan will be held Monday, Sept. 12, 2022 at 5 PM here at the Township Hall; PC will conduct a Crossroads Park working session on Monday, August 29, 2022 at 5 PM here at the Township Hall; Hopefully, finalized plans will be presented to the Board at the September Board Meeting.

**Zoning Board of Appeals** – Neumann stated no pending cases.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Neumann briefed on American Rescue Plan Act; Approximately $65,000.00 payment from the federal government; Spending deadline in 2025; Board discussed infrastructure expenditures at the new Crossroads Park, specifically new well and pump, electrical service, and berm construction deeming as acceptable use of these funds; Future expenditures most likely to come from grants and donations.
2. Neumann briefed on the Camp Grayling Proposed Expansion and the Area 6 map; Neumann briefed on two possible Resolutions in response to the overwhelming opposition by our residents to this proposed expansion; Board discussed pros and cons to both resolutions; Neumann solicited comments from the audience on said topic; Audience stated their concerns; By a show of hands, six in audience stated “just say no”, three stated “negotiate with scattered sections” as proposed in the two different versions (A and B) authored by Neumann; Lovell suggested removing the fifth paragraph of the Resolutions and approve without the suggested “scattered sections”; Neumann moved, Infante-Inman supported a motion to adopt Resolution #8-9-2022 with the modification of deleting paragraph five; In a roll call vote: All Ayes. RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Neumann called for a ten-minute recess; Board concurred.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Neumann briefed to the proposed FY 2023-24 Fire/EMS and Landfill Budgets; No concerns raised regarding the proposed budgets; Board to conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed budgets at our next Board Meeting.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:** security System repaired and expanded with two new cameras; Access Site Roller System Update; Election Update; Zoning Ordinance Update; Crossroads Park Update; 31st Annual Lovells Bridge Walk-August 20, 2022.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** 12:01 PM -Neumann opened Public Comment; Bastuba brought up scrap wood at Transfer Stations and dying trees; 12:03 AM-Neumann closed Public Comment.

12:03 AM- Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adjourn. All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.

Next Regular Meeting of the Board will be held Tuesday, September 13, 2022, 10 AM at the Township Hall.

Cynthia Infante-Inman, Lovells Township Clerk