**Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board**

**March 9, 2022**

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

**ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Denny Inman, Sally Brand, Jo Johnson, Randy Long, and Heide Miller.

Supervisor Neumann called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance; Neumann requested Board permission to add New Business #3 entitled Access Site Dedication to the Agenda; Board concurred.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the minutes of the February 8, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board as presented; All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated February 4, 2022 through March 2, 2022 as presented: General Fund totaling $6,202.18; Direct Deposit Checks totaling $6,308.30; Fire Fund totaling $3,990.27; Landfill Fund totaling $5,589.62, and Liquor Fund totaling $10.16; In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Assessing –** Neumann stated Board of Review had their Organizational Meeting yesterday; No other matters to report.

**Fire/EMS Department –** Infante-Inman briefed on Chief Lewicki’s report; For the month of February, four runs total (Fire-one/EMS-three); Engine #321 has been returned from CSI with all repairs complete.

**Cemetery Sexton-** No report.

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

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

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

**COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:**

**Board of Review (BOR) –** Neumann reported the 2022 BOR Schedule to meet with taxpayers is as follows: Wednesday, March 16, 9 AM-3 PM and Thursday, March 17, 3 PM-9 PM; All meetings to be held at the Township Hall.

**Historical Society (HS) –** Lovell stated that they will be meeting next Monday; Annual Trout Opener will most likely be scaled back and possibly no Leaky Wader Event.

**Crawford County Planning Commission (CCPC)-** No report.

**Lovells Township Planning Commission (LTPC) –** Inman stated that they met 2/28/22 to review the HS new building proposal on Township Grounds and conducted a “working session” on the new Crossroads Park; PC unanimously recommends to the Board that the HS move forward with their proposal as presented; PC will continue work on the park with a site plan and recommendations once the weather permits an onsite visit; PC working on park committees for grants, landscaping, etc.

**Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)** – Neumann briefed on a dimensional variance application in the Greenbelt District; ZBA met March 3rd and approved the variance request with no conditions; Infante-Inman served as secretary in Neumann’s absence.

**Lovells Media and Reading Center** – Hopp read part of a Thank You Letter received from Governor Whitmer thanking the Lovells Township Library for their hard work and diligence during the Pandemic with March being “Reading Month”.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Board discussed ideas for signs at the pavilion for private affairs; Infante-Inman to order the signs.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to hold a Special Meeting of the Board on March 31, 2022 at 10 AM for the purpose of: (1) Reviewing FY 2022-23 Insurance Package from Paul Olson, our agent and (2) Close out all FY 2021-22 funds with amendments where required and (3) Review and approve FY 2022-23 meeting schedule and (4) Set FY 2022-23 Township Fee Schedule and (5) Adopt a revised FY 2022-23 Payroll Schedule reflecting the 5.9% COLA increase for all salary, wage and per diem recipients of the Township; All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.
2. Neumann briefed on the Veterans Bamboo Bend Project and May 3rd School Election causing a conflict with the hall space; Neumann moved, Infante-Inman supported a motion to move our Regular Meeting of the Board to May 17, 2022 at 10 AM; All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.
3. Neumann briefed on the Access Site Grant requiring a site dedication/ribbon-cutting ceremony; Planning a dedication to coincide with Trout Opener’s Leaky Wader project; Details to follow.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:** Neumann’s Brown Trout Award from Mason-Griffith Chapter of Trout Unlimited; School Election is May 3, 2022, Polls open 7 AM to 8 PM here at the Township Hall; Bridge Walk Committee meeting tonight at 6:30 PM; 31st Annual Bridge Walk is August 20, 2022.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**  10:34 AM -Neumann opened Public Comment; Johnson read & submitted a letter to the Board regarding possibly adopting a light ordinance; Board discussed consulting our lawyer on this topic for recommendations; Miller inquired about making reservations to use the new Crossroads Park; Infante-Inman stated Board would decision a Policy & Procedure similar to the one we use now for the Hall & Pavilion; 10:47 AM-Neumann closed Public Comment.

10:47 AM- Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adjourn. All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.

Next Regular Meeting of the Board will be held Tuesday, April 12, 2022, 10 AM at the Township Hall.

Cynthia Infante-Inman, Lovells Township Clerk