

Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board

November 15, 2022

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

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Denny Inman, Sally Brand, Bonnie Maricic, Ken Ball, Darby Kuenzel, Sue Shiflett, Dave Soderquist, Carla Mercer, and Peggy Orr.

Supervisor Neumann called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance; Neumann delivered the following statement: (1) By State Statute the Township Supervisor is the moderator of meetings. (2) Common courtesy is expected between board members and the public and between public and board members. For example, be acknowledged before you speak. (3) Recording and/or filming of our meetings is allowed. However, it can't disrupt or influence the meeting and as a common courtesy all in attendance at the meeting should be aware that they are being filmed and/or recorded.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board as presented; All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated October 6, 2022 through November 10, 2022 as presented: General Fund totaling \$19,022.59; Direct Deposit Checks totaling \$7,425.37; Fire Fund totaling \$3,783.76; Landfill Fund totaling \$7,683.36; and Liquor Fund totaling \$10.78; In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report: Neumann briefed on the Access Site funds received; Treasurer's October Report Received and Accepted as Presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Brian Bury, DNR, Natural Rivers Program regarding a permit to replace the CR 612 Bridge over Big Creek.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Assessing – Neumann stated that they are continuing parcel audits.

Fire/EMS Department – Infante-Inman read Chief Lewicki's written report: October 2022 total of six runs (No Fire/6-Medical).

Cemetery Sexton- No report.

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

Zoning Administrator – Infante-Inman briefed on Gauthier's written report for October; One Zoning Permit issued for a new home; No other zoning matters to report.

Zoning Enforcement Officer – No report.

COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:

Board of Review – Neumann reported that we may have a December BOR.

Historical Society – Lovell reported that the museum is now closed for the season; They are planning for next year; Hot Stove nights will return this winter at the Township Hall.

Crawford County Planning Commission (CCPC)-Inman reported that their meeting was cancelled.

Lovells Township Planning Commission (LTPC) – Inman reported that the PC met last night and approved the draft Master Plan with minor changes; Plan will be sent to the Board for review and comment; Also, plan will have 63-day review period as required.

Zoning Board of Appeals – No report.

Lovells Media and Reading Center – Hopp reported on “book boxes”.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Neumann briefed on American Rescue Plan Funds; Board discussed possible expansion of the Fire Barn; Also, addressed partial funding of a gazebo at the new park and possibly purchasing flashing signs to control traffic speeds in “downtown” Lovells; Topic will remain on the agenda for further discussions.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to reappoint Board of Review members, Dale Gauthier, Jr., Tamara Kengel and Denise Long with their terms ending 12/31/2024; All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.
2. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to reappoint Denny Inman to our Planning Commission with his term ending 12/12/2025; All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: Neumann briefed on the COLA increase; Draft copies of our FY 2023-24 General & Liquor Fund Budgets will be available at our December meeting; Infante-Inman briefed on the November 8th General Election results and thanked her Deputy Clerk, Heather Lovell, for all her hard work during our election cycles; Neumann briefed on an email requesting evening Board meetings, Board will address at our December meeting; Neumann briefed on County Commissioner Powers email regarding the lack of support from the other commissioners to address a resolution opposing the Camp Grayling expansion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 10:35 AM -Neumann opened Public Comment; Soderquist asked if Master Plan will be available online for review, Infante-Inman responded yes; Also, he suggested solar lighting for Crossroads Park; 10:38 AM-Neumann closed Public Comment.

10:38 AM- Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adjourn. All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.

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

Cynthia Infante-Inman

Lovells Township Clerk