

Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board

November 10, 2016

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

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Bill Gibas, Randy Long, Denny Inman, Lynne Smith, Jim Shiflett, Carolyn Swift, Wayne Littrell, Richard Perry, and Chief Lewicki.

Supervisor Neumann called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Happy Birthday Marines-Refreshments available after the meeting.

Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Board as corrected. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated October 12, 2016 through November 9, 2016 as presented: General Fund totaling \$11,946.38; Direct Deposit Checks totaling \$6,362.58; Fire Fund totaling \$4,390.48; Landfill Fund totaling \$6,915.66; and Liquor Fund totaling \$9.40. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report received and accepted as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: Memo from our attorney, Bryan Graham, RE: The New "Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act."

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Assessing – Neumann reported inspection of a few building permits by Dec. 31 remain.

Fire Department – Chief Lewicki reported that the Dept. had eleven runs in October (three fire/eight medical); #330 Tanker needed a minor repair; Mini-Pumper had battery replaced; Mike Bordeaux did not meet hire requirements.

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 – Will meet December 13, 2016 at 3 PM for a PRE Errors & Omissions.

Historical Society – Heather Lovell reported that they will be meeting next week.

Lovells Media and Reading Center – No report.

Lovells Township Planning Commission – Chair Inman reported that they held a Special Meeting per the Board's request on Zoning Section 8.03.F. After much discussion, PC will be meeting with the Township Attorney, Bryan Graham.

Crawford County Planning Commission – Inman reported that they meet again on Dec. 5.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Neumann reported that a Public Hearing on a dimensional variance request from Jeffrey Munsell (proposed U-Store-It at Lovells Road & CO. Road 612) at 2 PM on 11/17/16. Request is to reduce the required front setback (from Lovells Rd.) from 100 feet to 50 feet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Neumann gave a status report on the structures placed in the North Branch at the Hueter property. Huron Pines is in the permitting process with the DEQ to re-anchor these structures and with them re-anchored the issue should be resolved.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion stating that the township has no desire to adopt an ordinance allowing medical Marihuana dispensaries. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
2. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept as presented the plan by the Mershon Chapter of Trout Unlimited to build a memorial to Art Neumann. In a roll call vote: Neumann abstained, Infante Aye, Hopp Aye, Duby Aye, and Lovell Aye. MOTION CARRIED.
3. Meeting recessed-Infante and Neumann to open and copy sealed snowplowing bid.
4. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the bid from Dave Mullins for the 2016-17 Snowplowing Season at \$3,000 with clarification needed on their emergency removal plan. In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
5. Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion accepting the North Branch Area Foundation's Plan/Request to install a phone line (at their expense) in the Town Hall thereby enhancing their electronic communication capabilities. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
6. Neumann recommended, Board concurred, implementation of the 0.3% COLA Increase into next year's budget as a matter of previously established Board policy.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: Parking Lot Sealcoating Project is complete; Re-roofing project scheduled for this month; Judy Jewell is no longer Deputy Clerk; ORV newspaper article; Neumann briefed on complaints regarding hunting near North-end Transfer Station on Crawford County Road Commission Property.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

10:43 AM-Neumann opened public comment period.

Randy Long congratulated Board on recent election and asked about public notification regarding the upcoming variance hearing and commented on the ORV Trails. Long offered assistance on ORV Trails with regards to giving the DNR input. Carolyn Swift commented on the new trail signs. Lynne Smith offered assistance with updating Fire Dept. Policies & Procedures.

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, December 13, 2016, 10 AM at the Town Hall.

Cynthia Infante

Lovells Township Clerk