

Lee Township Board of Electors
Special Meeting held on March 27, 2021
10:00 am held at
Midland Missionary Church 479 S. 11 Mile Rd.
APPROVED

Kristy Gustafson called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. This meeting was requested by the Electors with signed petitions given to the Clerk. As there were enough signatures from official voters from the township, this meeting was scheduled. Tom Kling was the official moderator for this meeting of Electors. There was between 100-200 residents in attendance. The teams that were formed worked on individual basis to gather information and put together their findings. Some of the teams talked to a few Board members to gather information and findings that were presented.

(1.) 1st Team Doug Kruger Team:

- (1.) Jasna Appell: She read a proposal. She stated the team had met with the Supervisor. Jasna found the Supervisor's findings to be more speculations than truth. Do not use scare tactics. Jasna stressed to delay the closing of the "dump" until solid findings can be gathered and discussed.
- (2.) Tom Kling: Stop driving blind. Search for all options. Study the problem and possibly do a survey. "Be pro community".
- (3.) (3.) Doug Kruger: Multiple bids should have been gathered. (Out of time).

(2.) 2nd Team Courtney Clute with a few others.

- (1.) Courtney Clute stated they have 6 members. She stated it has been 15 yrs. Since any amount of money had been invested into the Dump. We need to take pride in our Roles. She gave projected amount of curbside would be \$429.00 through the township then \$299.00 the following years. The amount by themselves? \$226.00 the first year then \$199.00 thereafter. She asked the Board members to make a sound decision.

(3.) 3rd Team Deb Reiber and others.

- (1.) Deb spoke about looking for solutions. Make changes internally on how we are handling the day to day running of the station. Do not use scare tactics or close the station on a personal decision. We are supposed to be receiving a stimulus check. Deb also stated she spoke with Wildfire Credit Union stating we could get a loan. She spoke with many others to gather more information. She asked the Board to delay the closing of the station to give the Residents time to pull together to make sound decision with the Board.

Back to Team 1: Kruger Team:

- (1.) Doug Kruger: He also asked for a 6 mt. delay in the closure. There are solutions to cutting down on cost. Dump cards, key card etc. Be proactive not reactive. Work with factual information.

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(2.) Annette Clapp: She stated the Board should not have gone to great lengths to keep information from the Residents.

Back to team 2: Clute

(1.) Don Clute: Asked Residents and the Board to come together to join in a common interest. There are advantages to curbside. There has been much discussion over the past years of the closing of the station and going to curbside. He gave information on a transfer station from Freemont Twps. Comparing the two townships. The township supervisor of Freemont stated they have had no issues since the switch to curbside.

Closure of the teams.

Public Comment: Opened at 11:12 – Closed at 11:59

Eighteen Residents spoke during this time. Stating “Why” a midnight vote, no curbside, why are we allowing outside people to come dump on our dime, do a survey, let us form committees to work on a solution. Move into the correct century, Curbside is wanted by some residents. Give the Residents time to research and present their findings.

Tom Kling thanked all the teams that presented their findings as well as their view. He also thanked the Residents for expressing their point of view.

Kristy closed the meeting at 11:59 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Dawson _____
Lee Township Clerk