

Lee Township Board of Trustee's
Board Meeting
May 10, 2021
7:00 PM
1485 W. Olson Rd.
Midland, MI 48640
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- **Meeting called to order:** The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call was taken. Kristy Gustafson, Darla Rippee, William Stewart, Lawrence Henry and Laura Dawson all were present.
- **Approval of agenda:** No agenda approval happened.
- **Guest:** Steve Glasser, our County Commissioner gave a brief report. He stated Pine Crest has a waiting list.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Bill Stewart read his report.
- **Approval of bills: Fire:** Kristy made a motion to approve the fire bills in the amount of \$1997.74. Bill seconded said motion. Roll call was taken. Kristy: yes, Darla: yes, Bill: yes, Lawrence: yes, Laura: yes. A yes motion carried.
Payroll: Bill made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$11705.44. Lawrence seconded said motion. Roll call was taken. Darla: yes, Bill: yes, Lawrence: yes, Laura: yes, Kristy: no. A yes motion carried.
Solid Waste: Bill made a motion to approve Solid Waste in the amount of \$39,889.23. Darla seconded said motion. Roll call was taken. Bill: yes, Lawrence: yes, Laura: yes, Kristy: no, Darla: yes. A yes motion carried.
General: Lawrence made a motion to approve General in the amount of \$65,463.54. Seconded by Bill. Roll call was taken. Laura: yes, Lawrence: yes, Kristy: no, Darla: yes, Bill: yes. A yes motion carried.
- **Minutes:** Lawrence made a motion to approve the minutes from May 4, 2021 and Bill second said motion with the typo correction. Roll call was taken. Lawrence: yes, Kristy: no, Darla: no, Bill: yes, Laura: yes. A yes motion carried.
- **Fire Report:** Laura read the report Daryl gave her, as he is on vacation. He asked for an approval on the purchase of class A foam that does not contain PFAS. Bill made a motion to approve up to \$1,000 for said purchase. Seconded by Lawrence. Roll call was taken. Kristy: yes, Darla: yes, Bill: yes, Laura: yes, Lawrence: yes. A yes motion carried.
- **Planning Commission:** Mary Spraul gave a brief report. Laura asked if the update of the sign ordinance, that the Attorney is creating, shouldn't be done by the Planning as the Planning oversees the Zoning Ordinance? Kristy stated yes, it is fine for the Attorney to do it and give it to both Planning and the Board for approval and the planning will have to have a public hearing.
- **Code Authority:** Darla gave a brief report. Laura asked to be able to introduce a resident that has said he would be willing to sit on the Code Authority Board. Laura stated due to his experience and field of work, he would be a great asset to the Township. Laura introduced Erich Ostrander. Laura asked Kristy to speak to Erich Ostrander about being the Township Representative for Code Authority.
- **Unfinished Business:** Park trees are set to cut May 19th. Policies and Procedures Manual, Laura is working on a few areas. Cemetery Columbarium, Laura stated Cal called and left Kristy a message about the survey stakes. Kristy said she did not receive a call from Call. Laura said she

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would contact Spicer to find out what the stakes are for, as they are in the area where the foundation for the Columbarium is to be set. Audit is scheduled for June 14 and 15th.

- **New Business: Park and Hall, Sexton, Lawn Care:** these positions are open, and Kristy will be conducting interviews.
WEBSITE: After discussion Laura made a motion to approve Odyssey Studio. Lawrence seconded said motion. Roll call was taken. Darla: no, Bill: no, Laura: yes, Lawrence: yes, Kristy: no. Motion failed. Laura stated it was way past time to settle on updating of the Web site, as she has been requesting it for 14 years. She was on the Planning Commission when it was first brought to the past Boards. Darla made a motion to approve Heather Cohen to update the current website. Bill seconded said motion. Roll call was taken. Bill: yes, Laura: no, Lawrence: no, Kristy: yes, Darla: yes. Motion carried.
INVESTMENT AND DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION: After reading the resolution Bill made a motion to approve the Investment & Depository Resolution (05-10-2021-1). Kristy seconded said motion. Roll call was taken. Laura: no, Lawrence: yes, with the correction of the number added at the top and the page numbers corrected, Kristy, yes, Darla: yes, Bill: yes. Motion carried.
- **RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER PETITION FOR REFERENDUM:** Kristy, read the resolution (05-10-2021-2) provided by the Township Attorney. After reading it she made a motion to approve said resolution. Bill seconded her motion. Roll call was taken. Kristy: yes, Darla: yes, Bill: yes, Lawrence: no, Laura: no. Laura also read a letter/questions she wanted to know the answers to. **"Is it the Township Attorney's opinion that it is legal to pass a resolution to stop a referendum to block a current resolution or the opinion of you three board members"?** Kristy said the attorney. **"Has the Township attorney advised you three? Kristy said yes, I asked why not me? I asked Lawrence if he had advised him, his answer was no. "Because in my opinion the petition speaks louder than this resolution. I still stand behind the residents. So based on everything I understand and everything I have shared, I don't see how I can abide by this resolution. I will still continue getting information from the State as well as the County and will put it on a ballot".**
- **Public Comment:** Was open from 8:18 pm- 8:39 pm
- **Adjournment:** Bill made a motion to adjourn. Kristy 2nd said motion. Roll call: Darla: yes, Bill: yes, Laura: yes, Lawrence: yes, Kristy: yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Laura Dawson Lee Township Clerk