

**SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023**

- Members Present:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Dave Johns, and Pete Nemish.
- Guests:** 8 citizens.
- Opening:** The meeting was called to order by Eggle at 5 PM by Eggle with prayer and the pledge.
- Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 5:03 PM, there was one comment, and public comment closed at 5:04 PM.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Johns, 2nd Bolduc. Passed.
- Early Voting:** Bolduc reviewed the issues surrounding the topic of early voting as placed in the MI Constitution with Proposal 22-2. The county has offered a consolidation of all twps with them conducting the early voting (EV), but there would be only one EV site at the South end of the Co. We reviewed what items would be needed to conduct our own EV. We discussed which path would be better from several angles. There was round table discussion with input and ideas from the audience most of which were election workers. There was Q&A with the board and audience. Request for Bolduc to find out if a generator is necessary at a polling location.
Bolduc moved with 2nd by Black to hold Early Voting in Sherman Twp ourselves in our hall, to fund what we need to purchase from the ARPA funds what can not be funded by State Grants. The roll was called. Yes 4 (Bolduc, Black, Eggle, Johns) , No 1 (Nemish). The motion was carried.
- Brine:** Eggle brought up our brine contract. Review of need vs. cost. Presented that our Road Committee felt unanimously that it could be canceled. Eggle moved to cancel the 2nd brine application contract and to communicate such with Mike Mattzela at the county, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Ext. Pub Comment:** Extended comment opened at 5:53 PM. There was one comment and public comment closed at 5:54 PM.
- Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn at 5:54 PM Black, 2nd Nemish. Passed.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Bethany Bolduc, Clerk _____