

**SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**APRIL 10, 2018**

- Members Present:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Pete Nemish.
- Member Absent:** Don Akers.
- Guests:** 5 people.
- Opening:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Eggle with prayer followed by the Pledge.
- Public Comment:** Eggle opened the floor for public comment at 7:02 PM. There were none and public comment closed at 7:02 PM.
- Aspen Outdoors:** Diverted from agenda for information from Tim Simmerson from Aspen Outdoors and John Andrzejewski from Kater Lawn/Snow. Simmerson has sold his business to Kater and is working to transition his clients. Kater currently does mowing for Rose Lake and Maple Hill Cemeteries. Eggle recommended that we discuss in depth when we get to Cemetery line of agenda.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting on March 13, 2018 were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as presented Eggle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Passed.  
The minutes from the special meeting following the Annual Meeting on March 22, 2018 were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as amended Black, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for March was presented – Checking account: Beginning balance \$86,249.65, Receipts \$33,551.46, Disbursements \$10,826.88, Ending balance \$108,974.23. This includes \$107.58 for the Picnic Fund as donated by citizens. CDs: Beginning balance \$129,697.21, Receipts \$0, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$129,697.21. General Fund Total ending balance \$238,671.44.  
Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$40,644.61, Receipts \$118,406.04, Disbursements \$59,203.02, Ending balance \$99,987.63. Encumbered \$65,200.00.  
Motion to accept March report as presented, Bolduc, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Nemish to pay monthly bills totaling \$5,655.81 from General Fund, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Eggle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Neither Commissioner attended. Nehmer was recently in the hospital for 5 days.
- Fire Board Report:** Mike (Art) Black presented the minutes of the March Fire Board and Annual meetings, see attached. There were 87 calls from Sherman Township last year, and a total of 260 calls all areas Tustin Area Fire District is called to serve.

- Plan Commission:** Nemish reported on the PC meeting. There was one permit issued on 23 Mile for a house and pole barn. Kater Lawn/Snow has until June 4<sup>th</sup> to remove their sign on Mackinaw Trail. PC meetings adjusted for elections and holidays, as follows: July no change, August moved to Wednesday, November canceled, January 2019 moved to Wednesday. Nemish recommends we consider extra compensation for Lapinski re: the extra work of the zoning document revisions, etc. Bolduc asked how much of the secretarial work Liponoga is doing, since Lapinski gets more for being secretary, and how should we compensate Liponoga if he is helping with secretarial?
- Parks Comm.:** Grove Hill – remember include mowing this location when we rebid next fall. Center Lake – annual Milfoil weed control agreement has gone out, and we are waiting on some signatures for that. Chemical application permits have been pulled, and we are paying that per ok from us and two other of the four entities.
- Road Comm.:** Morton reviewed meeting held last week. Issues with black top breaking down on 23 Mile between 130<sup>th</sup> and 135<sup>th</sup> Avenues. County suggested cutting back the trees on the South side. Road Committee will make some initial contact with the property owner.
- Correspondence:** Bolduc had 5 items 1) McCurdy, Wotila, & Porteous letter re: how to proceed with the two year wait to sell the reclaimed cemetery plots, 2) FOIA from Tammy Stoner re: statements and check stubs from paying them from and contracts with Roy Kissenger 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2017, 3) final close out and refund of over payment on the First Communications phone line, 4) from Don Akers on a couple topics which he wanted us to have info on in his absence, 5) from MI Association of Municipal Cemeteries, Inc. an invitation to join and attend their annual conference. Bolduc suggested we join. Discussion. Motion by Nemish to join annual dues \$35 the MI Ass. Of Municipal Cem., 2<sup>nd</sup> Eggle. Passed.
- Old Business:**
- Assessment Rev.:** Snow still preventing work at this time. Patterson sent Bolduc an email, see attached, regarding exempt parcels and adding them to the number for paying him since the State now requires him to do some work on them. Motion by Bolduc to add exempt parcels (current number is 15) to Assessors annual parcel count for salary calculations, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Passed.
- Resolution:** Patterson provided a resolution re: waiving penalty and interest for untimely filed property transfer affidavits. Discussion. Motion by Eggle to approve resolution number 20180410 giving Sherman Township the authority to waive the penalty and interest for untimely filed property transfer affidavits, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Roll call vote 4 yes, 0 no. Passed.
- Roads:** Note, uncapped property tax rates affect totals from property tax revenue on the voted millage.
- Cemetery:** Discussion on the mowing contract presented to the Board by Kater Lawn/Snow. It is based on requirements which we had asked Aspen to meet such as dates and locations. See attached copy of the contract. After thorough discussion, Bolduc motioned to approved contracts with Kater Lawn/Snow for mowing the summer season 2018 Sherman Township Cemetery, Hall grounds, Center Lake and Grove Hill Parks, and for snow removal \$40 per push, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish. Passed.

Keith Calkins was interviewed by Eggle and Nemish for the Sexton position. Bolduc put together some job description notes and listed the amount of pay, but it is not a formally presented Sexton Job Description. Motion by Eggle to authorize himself and Bolduc to write a formal job description for the position of Sexton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Passed. Following discussion, Eggle motioned to extend offer of Sexton position to Keith Calkins starting May 1, 2018, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Due to family relationship between Bolduc and Calkins she abstained from voting. Passed 3 yes, 1 abstain, 1 absent.

Bolduc presented a Cemetery Burial Work form for review. Motion by Eggle to approve Cemetery Burial Work Form for printing and implement use of form, 2<sup>nd</sup> Black. Passed.

**Center Lake :** Bolduc reviewed, and we are on track to begin Eurasian Milfoil weed control for 2018.

**New Business:**

**150 Years:** Akers is not here and Bolduc didn't have anything new to report.

**Area Fire Radio:** Still working on this. (Fire district looking to locate antenna(s) on new Verizon tower near 160th/20 Mile corner.)

**Tire Clean-up:** Eggle reported that Peggy Hoard has requested one person representing our Twp come and help with loading for 1.5 hours. Eggle will coordinate to make that happen.

**CPR Training:** Osceola Co. EMS is presenting a CPR class on Friday, May 4 at the COA building in Tustin from 1-3 PM.

**Upcoming Dates:** Annual ZBA organizational meeting Tuesday, April 17, at 7 PM. Cadillac School district May 8 Election. Sherman voters vote at the Clam Lake Twp hall.

**Announcements:** None.

**Ext. Pub Comment:** Eggle opened the floor for extended public comment at 9:11 PM. There was one comment, and public comment closed at 9:12 PM.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Black to adjourn at 9:13 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish. Passed.