

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
JULY 10, 2018

- Members Present:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Pete Nemish.
- New Member:** Dave Johns
- Guests:** 15 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 three comments and public comment closed at 7:10 PM.
- Trustee:** The order was changed from our usual business so that we could seat a person to fill the open Trustee position. Eggle reported that he and Nemish had narrowed it to four candidates whom they spoke to and/or interviewed. Eggle was pleased to bring to the Board for consideration Dave Johns. He has held the office of Trustee previously (in the 1980's), he is currently serving on the Road Committee, and he has in the past been an EMT thereby having more than average knowledge of the role and responsibilities of the Board representative to the Fire Dept Board. Eggle nominated Dave Johns to fill out the term which Akers was elected to (November 2016 to November 2020) and resigned from (effective June 30, 2018), Johns will begin serving immediately, 2nd Nemish, roll call vote 4 yes, 0 no, motion is passed, and we welcome Dave Johns to serve as Trustee. He was sworn in and continued the meeting with the Board.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting on June 12, 2018 were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as amended Eggle, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for June was presented – Checking account: Beginning balance \$104,979.96, Receipts \$29,400.40, Disbursements \$19,996.07, Ending balance \$114,384.29. This includes the Picnic Fund as donated by citizens (beginning balance \$347.00, receipts \$100, disbursements \$330.00, ending balance \$117). CDs: Beginning balance \$129,895.43, Receipts \$4.46, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$129,899.89. General Fund Total ending balance \$244,284.18.
Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$106,011.75, Receipts \$13.50, Disbursements \$11,938.00, Ending balance \$94,087.25. Encumbered \$(*line is blank on treasurer's report*).
Motion to accept June report as presented, Nemish, 2nd Johns. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Nemish to pay monthly bills \$3,790.71 from General Fund, 2nd Eggle. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as presented, Black, 2nd Bolduc. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Commissioner Gregory was able to attend and updated the Board on items which the BOC is dealing with.

- Fire Board Report:** Akers stepped in and presented the minutes of the June Fire Board meeting, see attached, and then handed the notebook to Johns.
- Plan Commission:** Nemish reported on the PC meeting. There were three permits issued. Due to the Primary Election the August meeting is moved, as previously published, to the following day, Wednesday, August 8, 2018.
- Parks Comm.:** Grove Hill – Bolduc requested that someone step in and review the trees which have been marked and then let Kater know which ones to cut. Eggle offered to help along with asking Nemish and possibly Keith Calkins.
Center Lake – Iler reported on the Milfoil treatment on July 2nd and the purple loosestrife beetle placement.
- Road Comm.:** Morton reviewed meetings of Twp Road Committee and County Road Commission. Last month he reported on how the CRC responded to a plea for something to be done at the intersection of 20 Mile and Mackinaw Trl to make it safer. This month some statistics were shared. That intersection has had 13 crashes between 2008 and 2017. It seems necessary to re-do the rumble strips and check on clear sight due to the gas station being so close to the road. Morton also reported on several gravel projects, Kettunen Center access 4H Drive and Center Lake Bible Camp road. Discussion of 2nd brine application. Tabled to the August meeting.
- Cemetery:** Calkins reported on the things he has been working on around the cemetery, foundation replacement/repair, base for new grave headstone, continued work on finding lot corner markers.
- Correspondence:** Bolduc had 4 items 1) Osecola-Lake Conservation Dist. Tire & Electronic Collection, 2) Dept Licensing & Regulatory Notice of Public Hearing potential changes to the Part 8 Electrical Rules, 3) MTA thank you for membership, 4) Dept of Environmental Quality re: well pump taking water from shared sources at Kettunen Center.
- Old Business:**
- Assessment Rev.:** This work continues, see Supervisors power point printout attached for percent completed. Eggle reported on spending a partial day with Patterson to observe this process and remarked that Patterson was thorough. The Board requests an interim report from Patterson for the August meeting.
- Zoning:** Eggle was unable to connect the digital version (PDF) to the projector and onto the screen for all to view as we went down through the changes, so we are going to work that up for the August meeting. Bolduc to get color copies to Board members and Tustin Library for viewing.
- Center Lake:** Touched on earlier.
- 150 Years:** Eggle reviewed plans (tent reserved and food items), advertising (stickers on tax bill envelopes, buttons, yard signs), and people lined up to attend (Tustin area FD, rep from Jason Wentworth office).
- Area Fire Radio:** Akers requested to continue to follow and help with this project. His communication

with Verizon to date is that they are reluctant to negotiate on a tower which is yet to be built. Possibly \$700-1000 initial to get on the tower and \$400 monthly rent. FD has put up a temp system to test range on Akers property and the height even at the Twp Hall would be ideal. Recommend putting up a 50 foot tower against the garage beside the Hall and put the repeater radio inside the garage. Eggle recommended that we have a couple of people review what is involved, FAA and FCC rules as well as costs etc., and report info back to the Board.

Tire Clean-up: Eggle reported, see attached power point slide printout, a summary of the totals by township of the tires collected this year. We look forward to participation next year.

New Business:

BOR: July BOR (Board of Review) will be Tuesday, July 17, 2018, at 9 AM. This is NOT a petition session but one to correct mutual mistakes of fact, etc.

Center Lake Park: Eggle reviewed recent incidents where persons were in the park area clearly violating stated park rules i.e. using controlled substances and what we did and what we can do in the future. The police were called for drunk behavior. Police told Eggle that they can not enforce a Township park rule because it is not the same as a State Law or Ordinance. There might be a way to work through our lawyer to create an Ordinance which we would submit to the county and request the sheriff dept. to enforce. Marion has done something similar with one of their park areas. Eggle will email our lawyer to get started on this process. It was noted that the highest ranking legal power in the county is the prosecuting attorney. Eggle has requested more frequent police patrols of the park area.

(Eggle mentioned that Travis Gothard is willing to gather trash from Center Lake Park and take it to our dumpster.)

Election: The Clerk called to order a meeting within the Twp Board meeting of the Election Commission which is the Clerk, Supervisor, and Treasurer to nominated the Election Workers for the August 7, 2018, Primary Election. She nominates herself, Bethany Bolduc (Rep), to be Election Chair, workers to be her deputy, Loretta Slocum (Dem), Elna Sherman (Rep), Keith Calkins (Rep), Cheryl Worst (Dem), H. John Iler (Dem), and Sharon Black (Rep). Slocum, Sherman, Calkins, Worst, and Iler along with Bolduc will work all day and Black will serve as a back-up. All workers are scheduled for training with the county on July 18, motioned by Bolduc, 2nd Black, carried.

The Public Test will be Thursday, August 2, 2018, at 10 am (published time to be 10:30, so we have a few minutes to pull out equipment and be ready for any guests who might attend). All Sherman Election Commission and all Election Workers are requested to attend. Bolduc will conduct a mini training, and lunch will be provided.

Fire Board Rep.: Eggle motioned to appoint Dave Johns as one of our two representatives to serve on the Tustin Area Fire District Board, 2nd Bolduc, carried.

Upcoming Dates: Reviewed attached power point slides of the upcoming months. Primary Election August 7, 2018.

Announcements: Eggle presented certificates of appreciation to H. John and Joanne Iler for their outstanding service in helping to beautify the Twp and work with the Parks, and to

Don and Carole Akers for all their community projects and involvement and his work on the Twp Board.

Ext. Pub Comment: Eggle opened the floor for extended public comment at 8:51 PM. There were two comments, and public comment closed at 8:55 PM.

Adjourn: Motion by Nemish to adjourn at 8:57 PM, 2nd Johns. Passed.