

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
AUGUST 10, 2021

- Members Present:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Dave Johns, and Pete Nemish.
- Guests:** 5 citizens.
- Opening:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Eggle with prayer by Bolduc and the pledge.
- Public Comment:** At 7:01 PM public comment opened, and there were no comments and public comment closed at 7:01 PM.
- Guest Presentation:** None.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting on July 13, 2021, were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as presented Black 2nd Johns. Passed. *(One typo noted by the clerk in correspondence the 3) was omitted.)*
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for July was presented by the Treasurer – Checking account: Beginning balance \$152,533.10, Receipts \$71.19, Disbursements \$12,129.20, Ending balance \$140,475.09. Picnic Fund donated by citizens balance of \$0. CDs: Beginning balance \$131,800.73, Receipts \$82.25, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$131,882.98. General Fund Total ending balance \$227,358.07.
Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$107,665.69, Receipts \$3,859.84, Disbursements \$0 Ending balance \$111,525.53. Encumbered \$65,000+. Motion to accept the July report, Nemish, 2nd Johns. Passed.
- Tax account issue with service fees. Bank saying now there is a \$7,500 minimum. Bolduc moved to give the treasurer discretionary authority to move the Tax Account to a different bank to avoid service fees as needed either now or between summer and winter tax seasons, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Johns to pay monthly bills totaling \$2,116.23 as listed by the Clerk from General Fund, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Black, 2nd Johns. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Neither attended.
- Fire Board Report:** Johns reviewed the July Fire Board minutes, see attached.
- Plan Commission:** Nemish reported no PC due to election use of the hall.
- Parks Comm.:** **Grove Hill** – Nothing at this time.
Center Lake – Iler reported Milfoil is moving in the right direction – contained and dying. Beach refresh project doing well and looking good. Suggests a potential delineation fence so that snow plows etc. don't plow into the beach and grass area. Johns moved to spend up to \$350 (estimate is \$330.79) for fence project, 2nd Black. Passed. Bolduc to order materials based on estimate provide by Iler.
- Road Comm.:** Update from the foreman Brett: our gravel may be done by next Thursday and the brining by today. Chip seal beginning next week. Bill Huss retired and a new person

possibly Lee named. Luke Houlton is also retiring the end of the month.

- Cemetery:** Reviewed burials both done and yet to happen. Also mentioned driveway washing out in places due to the heavy rains we've been getting this summer.
- Correspondence:** There are several items of correspondence: 1) email from Vicky Schaefer Rose Lake Clerk regarding Maple Hill Cemetery water issues, 2) two notices from Consumers Energy Co. of hearings, and 3) *Not in board book* application impacting Pine River watershed area.
- Old Business:**
- Risk Mitigation:** Moving slowly forward on this. See Powerpoint chart. Reviewed fire light and extinguisher needs. Front door has area of rust which might just need some sanding and paint. Bolduc to check on the fall PAR plan grant process.
- Records Retention:** Nothing to report. Moving very slowly.
- Roads Open Seat:** Still vacant.
- Cem. Ordinance:** Nothing to report.
- Center Lake:** Completed!
- Twp Clean-up:** Review Powerpoint chart. Bolduc to help with website and Newspaper. Nemish reported on his conversation with Independent Rural Waste: recommendation by them from 30 yard roll off dumpster, 2 trucks with packers at \$125 per hour, add \$35 per hour for the driver, \$25 per hour for the laborers times 2. 5 cents per pound at the landfill. Scrap metal is a separate roll off, recommend 20 yards, we get some money back on this. Estimate around \$4,000. Eggle will bring his tractor if we have large items to move. Ask Sarah Pagles and John Iler if they will do check in verification. Promote scrap metal with advertising! Twp to supply PPE and contractor bags. Check first aid kit to be sure it is well stocked. Black to provide a tax list and Bolduc to provide a voter list for reference. Ask Loretta/Elna to have snacks and water.
- Election:** Pine River Schools will have millage election on November 2, 2021. Bolduc will pull her team together and work the process as usual.
- New Business:**
- ARPA Funds:** Bolduc applied, but still needs to finalize the SAM account registration. County to have a meeting later this month or in September to coordinate townships pooling funds to do a bigger county wide project and for information to help us through the process.
- Review of Dates:** Review of upcoming meeting dates. The 8/7 recycling event in Reed City went well. ZBA is shooting for their annual meeting to be next week.
- Announcements:** None.
- Ext. Pub Comment:** Extended Comment opened at 8:39 PM there were 3 comments {2 public, 1 board} (including a note of thanks handed out by Joanne Iler, see attached) and closed at 8:46 PM.
- Adjourn:** Nemish motioned to adjourn at 8:46 PM, 2nd Johns Passed.