

**SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MONTHLY MEETING  
MARCH 9, 2021**

**MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON WITH ZOOM ONLINE OPTION**

**Members at Hall:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Dave Johns, and Pete Nemish.

**Guests:** 4 citizen at Hall, 1 online.

**Opening:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Eggle with prayer and the Pledge.

**Public Comment:** At 7:04 public comment opened, and there were no comments and public comment closed.

**Guest Presentation:** None this month.

**Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting on February 9, 2021, were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as presented Eggle 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish. Passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Report for February was presented by the Treasurer – Checking account: Beginning balance \$118,724.21, Receipts \$4.98, Disbursements \$7,608.19, Ending balance \$111,121.00. Picnic Fund donated by citizens balance of \$0. CDs: Beginning balance \$131,666.90, Receipts \$1.49, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$131,668.39. General Fund Total ending balance \$242,789.39.  
Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$33,149.32, Receipts \$32,391.58, Disbursements \$32,390.13 Ending balance \$33,150.77. Encumbered \$65,000.  
Motion to accept the February report, Nemish, 2<sup>nd</sup> Johns. Passed.

**Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Johns to pay monthly bills totaling \$9,452.42 as listed by the Clerk from General Fund, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish. Passed.

**Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Black, 2<sup>nd</sup> Johns. Passed.

**Co. Commissioners:** Commissioner Gregory attended and reported on the failing of the drain lines at the jail, grants the COA is working on, and Register of deeds accessibility online.

**Fire Board Report:** The February Fire Board minutes were reviewed by Johns, see attached. The FD is looking into new jaws of life, paying a secretary rather than having a board member responsible, and it was noted that we received the refund check for attorney fees for the tower which was not located on Twp property as previously planned, but that the bank messed up in how it was cashed. The FD does not have a record of it being cashed, but we have record of depositing and receiving payment.

**Plan Commission:** The meeting for March was canceled due to the Covid-19 restrictions. DTE contacted the Twp regarding solar farm options, but they really want flat open land of which we have very little.

**Parks Comm.:** **Grove Hill** – Nothing at this time.

**Center Lake** – Jim P. Reported that it is very difficult to find railroad ties right now, so options are still being reviewed for the beach project before we move forward.

**Road Comm.:** We reviewed the gravel price increase notice. Eggle wants to defer our decision until we have a recommendation of the Road Committee.

**Cemetery:** Nothing to report.

**Correspondence:** There are 5 items of correspondence: 1) Clean Sweep/Household Hazardous Waste flyer and support letter with statistics of last years use, 2) Local Community Stabilization Authority reimbursement check and distribution list, 3) Cover letter from our attorney with a late bill explaining why, due to covid work from home orders, our bill was so late and so large, 4) US Census request for info, and 5) Invitation to meet with the County Road members and dates of each personal meeting. Other items were from Consumers Energy with a potential program to replace our heat “plant”. They request a review by Zoom with Eggle of our existing heat “plant” and North Country Coop Invasive Species representative, Emma, has requested 5 minutes or so at our April meeting to review what is happening around our community.

**Old Business:**

**Risk Mitigation:** Reviewed risk mitigation chart of initiatives.

**Records Retention:** Nothing to report.

**Open Seat:** Nothing to report.

**Cem. Grd Radar:** Nothing to report.

**Cem. Ordinance:** Nothing to report.

**Center Lake:** Nothing to report.

**Budget issues:** Bolduc presented Budget Change #4 for FY 20/21. Motion to approve changes totaling \$12,623.31 which includes additional income as presented (see attached) Eggle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Johns. Passed.  
Bolduc presented the need to amend our newly voted FY 21/22 budget (see attached). Motion by Black to amend our budget FY 21/22 in the areas of Assessor Software, Clerk Software Maintenance, and Twp Hall Propane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Johns. Passed.

**New Business:**

**BOR:** Eggle reported that all requirements are being met. Confirm that Assessor is employee and gets a W2.

**Review of Dates:** Review of meeting dates, Fire Board Annual meeting coming up on March 17, 2021. Township Annual Meeting Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7 PM.

**Announcements:** None.

**Ext. Pub Comment:** Extended Comment was opened at 8:06 PM with one comment and closed at 8:07 PM.

**Adjourn:** Black motioned to adjourn at 8:09 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nemish Passed.

**Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Bethany Bolduc, Clerk** \_\_\_\_\_