

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
APRIL 12, 2022

- Members Present:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Pete Nemish, and Dave Johns.
- Guests:** 7 citizens.
- Opening:** The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by Eggle with prayer and the pledge along with a wish for a Happy Birthday to our treasurer.
- Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 7:03 PM, and there was one comment. Public comment closed at 7:04 PM.
- Guest Presentation:** None.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting on March 8, 2022, were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes after clarification of A-1 in bills paragraph (*Independent Rural Waste bills out the township clean-up as A-1 Service Co.*) Nemish 2nd Eggle. Passed. The minutes from the special meeting on March 29, 2022, which followed the Annual Meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes of Special Meeting Black, 2nd Johns. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for March was presented by the Treasurer – Checking account: Beginning balance \$142,644.39, Receipts \$58,459.40, Disbursements \$14,910.10, Ending balance \$186,193.69. Picnic Fund donated by citizens balance of \$0. CDs: Beginning balance \$131,891.83, Receipts \$0, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$131,891.83. General Fund Total ending balance \$318,085.52. Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$13,021.30, Receipts \$71,018.02, Disbursements \$0 Ending balance \$84,039.32. Encumbered \$81,750. CLFRF (ARPA) Funds: Beginning balance \$54,218.50, Receipts \$4.04, Ending balance \$54,440.62. Motion to accept the March report, Bolduc 2nd Eggle. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Johns to pay monthly bills totaling \$4,050.73, as listed by the Clerk from General Fund, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as presented, Bolduc, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Commissioner Gregory updated us on the county issues. BOC approved EMS equipment expenses, and EMS is undergoing some reorganizing. Equalization report. Election update to software and 2 new Board of Canvas members.
- Fire Board Report:** Johns reviewed the March and Annual Fire Board minutes, see attached.
- Plan Commission:** One permit for Ilers garage. Eggle will follow up with Dighton trailer issue. Martin commented that Solar Companies are scooping up farm land. Moesta is back from

his winter in FL. Work on the Blight Ordinance continues. The PC wants to have a “road map” plan of how to approach enforcement.

- Parks Comm.:** **Grove Hill** – nothing to report.
Center Lake – Iler listed items needing to be done in the park. Requested that we look up the ordinance number, so as we replace the damaged sign, we can add the number onto it. Suggested 10 yards of sand. Several people who do tree work as there are trees in both the park and cemetery which need removal. Following discussion and review of the list Iler presented, Eggle moved to authorize up to \$1,500 to work on the list which in part is fencing (continued from last year’s amount approval), signs, garbage containers, and sand, see attached, Board to review sign wording by email, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Road Comm.:** Eggle presented update from the Road Committee. Gravel making company will be around in June or July, so the Road Committee will take some time in April & May to decide which road segments should get graveled.
- Cemetery:** We had a quiet month.
- Correspondence:** There are several items of correspondence: 1) Letter to the Board from Co. Equalization Dept ref changes to fees and mailing, 2) Contract with cover letter ref Tustin Library (Eggle will attend the May 4 meeting and sign the agreement), 3) Osceola-Lake Conservation District HAZMAT clean-up report, announcement of next clean-up on October 8, 2022., and request for funding, 4) Letter from Kunse who is running for 100th District State Rep, and 5) Dept Treasury letter ref AMAR.
- Old Business:**
- Risk Mitigation:** Electrical to start this week. Board requests to send in grant request for re-keying funding.
- Records Retention:** A little bit at a time.
- Cem. Ordinance:** As time allows will get it out and take a look.
- ARPA Funds:** Bolduc needs to work on the report. Will contact Co. ARPA coordinator or Baird Cotter and Bishop if we need help.
- AMAR:** Our assessor Jason Patterson attended and reviewed with us the requirements for the AMAR that all twps in our county are being reviewed and what we need to do. It is Patterson’s 7th AMAR and 4 of them he had perfect scores! He presented us with a list of what will be requested and reviewed how he will fulfill it. His binder is almost ready as of now.
- Twp Clean-up 2022:** Discussion of holding a Township clean-up day again this summer/fall. Moved by Nemish to hold a clean-up day on or about September 17, 2022, from 9 AM to Noon provided we agree with the particulars of the fees charged, 2nd Johns. Passed. Eggle will email Independent Waste to find out availability etc.

New Business:

Lawn Contract: We reviewed the contract presented by Kater Lawn and Snow for mowing the cemetery and parks this season. \$3,600 for cemetery and Hall, \$250 for parks payment in two installments. Johns moved to accept contract as presented, 2nd Black. Passed.

Mtg Attendance: It would be good to have a policy in place for committee members and staff who as part of their duties regularly attend meetings of the township bodies. Discussion around the table. Contact MTA for policy info on pay or no pay for attendance.

Misc. Issues: None.

Review of Dates: Review of upcoming meeting dates.

Announcements: April 19 is the deadline for a candidate or issue to be on the August ballot.

Ext. Pub Comment: Extended comment opened at 8:50 PM. There were no comments, and public comments closed at 8:50 PM.

Adjourn: Black motioned to adjourn at 8:50 PM, 2nd Johns Passed.