

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
MARCH 8, 2022

- Members Present:** Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, and Dave Johns.
- Member Absent:** Pete Nemish.
- Guests:** 4 citizens.
- Opening:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Eggle with prayer and the pledge along with comments on the Ukrainian situation.
- Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 7:05 PM, and there were no comments. Public comment closed at 7:06 PM.
- Guest Presentation:** Stephanie Rockafellow on the Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion program and their need for volunteers.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting on February 8, 2022, were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes with typo corrected Johns 2nd Black. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for February was presented by the Treasurer – Checking account: Beginning balance \$151,503.93, Receipts \$901.26, Disbursements \$9,760.80, Ending balance \$142,644.39. 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 \$274,536.22.
Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$13,021.19, Receipts \$.11, Disbursements \$0 Ending balance \$13,021.30. Encumbered \$81,750.
CLFRF (ARPA) Funds: Beginning balance \$54,218.50, Receipts \$218.08, Ending balance \$54,436.58. Motion to accept the February report, Johns 2nd Eggle. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Johns to pay monthly bills totaling \$13,614.22, with a HOLD on the Township clean-up bill from A-1 Service Company a division of Independent Rural Waste which is \$6020, as listed by the Clerk from General Fund, 2nd Black. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Eggle, 2nd Black. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Sarah Pagles mentioned that the township fee for website hosting will go up from \$60 to \$100 in the coming year. The COA building work RFP opened today.
- Fire Board Report:** Johns reviewed the February Fire Board minutes, see attached. Bolduc moved to approve the Fire Board Budget as presented, 2nd Black. Passed.
- Plan Commission:** No permits. Grugal and Eggle met and have a plan with ongoing followup. Blight

Ordinance still under discussion. Questioning anyone's junk getting "grandfathered" in. Recommended to decide in April about holding a township clean-up day again this year.

- Parks Comm.:** **Grove Hill** – nothing to report.
Center Lake – Milfoil may not need to be treated this season, we will know more in June. Alex D. to start garbage pick-up again.
- Road Comm.:** Eggle presented info on the gravel this year. It is coming in lower than estimated at \$7.50 per ton.
- Cemetery:** Two more winter burials. Wm. Langworthy and E. Welliver. The last burial, Welliver, was very difficult due to the depth of the frost in the ground at least 16 inches. We will need to redetermine our prices and/or willingness to do this work in the winter.
- Correspondence:** There are several items of correspondence: 1) February payment from Local Community Stabilization Authority General fund \$ 1,339.77, Fire \$2,882.32 and Roads \$ 2,936.80, 2) County Commissioner districts reapportionment plan, and 3) MI Twp Par Plan director election.
- Old Business:**
- Risk Mitigation:** Delay in electrician being able to come into the building to work, but we are moving forward.
- Records Retention:** Nothing more at this time.
- Cem. Ordinance:** Nothing to report.
- ARPA Funds:** We are tangled up with the other 8 Sherman Townships in MI as the Federal Gov. somehow co-mingled our account info. Bolduc is trying to work through that to do the reporting.
- AMAR:** We will have our review later this summer.
- Assessor Contract:** See attached contract, the Board reviewed the assessor contract which is a renewal with very little wording changes from the last contract with Jason Patterson to continue as our assessor for another 4 years. Eggle moved to approved assessor contract as edited, 2nd Johns. Passed.
- Budget FY 21/22:** Reviewed Budget Changes Notes FY 21/22 Change #3. Moved by Eggle to accept changes as presented, 2nd Bolduc. Passed.
- Fee Structure:** Revisions to the township's Fee Structure were reviewed. No decisions were reached.
- New Business:** Reviewed meeting dates.
- Misc. Issues:** None.

Review of Dates: Review of upcoming meeting dates including the March BOR with petition sessions on Monday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 16, and Annual Meeting which will be Tuesday, March 29 at 7 PM.

Announcements: None.

Ext. Pub Comment: Extended comment opened at 8:56 PM. There were three comments, and public comments closed at 9:01 PM. One comment recommended holding the clean-up day again.

Adjourn: Johns motioned to adjourn at 9:02 PM, 2nd Eggle Passed.