

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
OCTOBER 10, 2017

- Members Present:** Don Akers, Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle, Pete Nemish.
- Guests:** 10 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 7:06 PM.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the meeting on September 12, 2017 were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as corrected Eggle, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for September was presented – Checking account: Beginning balance \$67,962.15, Receipts \$15,968.97, Disbursements \$8,868.51, Ending balance \$75,062.61. This includes \$107.58 for the Picnic Fund as donated by citizens. CDs: Beginning balance \$129,502.62, Receipts \$138.12, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$129,637.74. General Fund Total ending balance \$204,700.35.
- Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$73,276.72, Receipts \$9.33, Disbursements \$17,333.00, Ending balance \$55,953.05. Encumbered \$15,400.00 (gravel \$15,400).
- Motion to accept September report as presented, Akers, 2nd Bolduc. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion to pay monthly bills totaling \$2,799.72 from General Fund, Akers, 2nd Nemish. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Bolduc, 2nd Black. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Commissioner Nehmer attended and updated us on some of the issues the BOC is working on. Nehmer thanked Eggle for keeping the EMS issue before the BOC. EMS staffing level is at 67% due to retirements and resignations. COA is having overwhelming response at all locations. Medical Examiner contract issue with EMS. Next BOC meeting is Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at 9:30 AM. Anyone is welcome and there is public comment time.
- Fire Board Report:** Akers presented the minutes of the September Fire Board meeting, see attached.
- Plan Commission:** Nemish reported 2 permits were issued. Beebe on 140th and Belleville on 150th expansion and outbuildings. Public Hearing on signs didn't happen due to missed publication. Question was raised if the "Special Use" process is the correct process for these signs? Discussion at the PC about asking the Attorney to review. Moesta doing

some research with MTA. Maybe our ordinance is too restrictive for the home based business sign.

Parks Comm.: Grove Hill - no updates.
Center Lake - Iler lake survey shows 2.2 acres which will need treatment in the Spring.

Road Comm.: Morton reviewed the lengthy discussion during the Road Committee meeting regarding seal coat on 21 mile between Twp Hall and 160th. Suggestion to focus on one seal coat project per year, do extensive work on gravel during this millage, seal coat and gravel on 145th and 4H drive (need to check with Houlton on pricing), and 140th between 19 and 20 Mile Roads. Per county, dead trees are not their problem until they fall into the road. The county is reviewing their equipment needs.

Correspondence: Bolduc had 2 items 1) filled out L-4029 forms from Pine River school, 2) MI Dept Licensing and Reg affairs license for adult foster care capacity of 12 "Tustin House LLC" on 20 Mile Rd.

Old Business:
Park Projects 2017: Center Lake – see above.

Kettunen Lumber: Timber harvest continues.

Assessment Rev.: Patterson has been out working, see attached slide of numbers completed.
Supervisor Eggle will provide a monthly report of progress to the Board.

Roads: Gravel work has been completed, and we are waiting on the bill.

Phone: Report from Bolduc. Not much progress yet. Need to figure out what to do regarding Zoning Admin phone line. Suggested finding out from our Zoning Admin how much that line is still used for faxes, the original reason for getting it seems to be as a dedicated fax line, and we can make better decisions with more information. Akers has a nice phone that he is willing to donate.

New Business:
Zoning Ordinance: Bolduc took the document to the Attorney as requested last month. Attorney office has given this project to Cynthia Wotilla. She would like a meeting with Bolduc to review suggested changes. That meeting is tentatively set up for Thursday. More next month, and unfortunately this project is not complete yet.

Cemetery: No progress yet getting in touch with Bo Widman, re: Banks lot N/E corner of section L. Bolduc plans to send a certified letter to his home.

Garbage shut off for winter season is set for early November. Reminder to add to rental agreement "No Garbage Service November through March" and "No Phone service at Hall please bring your own Cell Phone".

Akers got a quote from Joshwa Salisbury for crushed concrete gravel for repair on

some of the cemetery roads, \$420 per 20 yard load. Discussion. Motion by Nemish to purchase 20 yards and spread (additional costs for labor) project not to exceed \$1,000, 2nd Akers. Passed.

PC Nomination: John Langworthy's term on the PC is ending in November. Eggle has brought for nomination Tim Liponoga. Discussion. Motion by Eggle to appoint Tim Liponoga for a three year term to the PC, 2nd Black. Passed.

Budget Amend.: Bolduc presented a list of amendments to the budget, see attached. Motion by Bolduc to make these changes total from unallocated fund balance to add to the budget \$6,100 and total to shift between elements \$4,265, 2nd Black. Passed.

Twp Hall: Mention was given to checking into bug and rodent control and getting some carpet quotes. Instructions for the clock are behind the clock.

Upcoming Dates: Eggle reviewed upcoming dates on power point.

Announcements: Reminder HAZMAT clean-up is Saturday, October 14, 2017 at the 9 AM North Co. Road garage on 20 Mile Rd.

December BOR tentative date Monday, December 11, 2017 at 9 AM.

Ext. Pub Comment: Eggle opened the floor for extended public comment at 8:26 PM. There were two comments, and public comment closed at 8:33 PM.

Adjourn: Motion by Akers to adjourn at 8:33 PM, 2nd Black. Passed.