

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING
APRIL 11, 2017

- Members Present:** Don Akers, Sharon Black, Bethany Bolduc, David Eggle.
- Member Absent:** Pete Nemish.
- Guests:** 23 people (not all at the beginning as many came for the special Nye plaque presentation and thanks for service after the meeting).
- 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 7:03 PM. There were three comments and public comment closed at 7:10 PM. Two of the comments included a handout which is attached.
- Clerk's Report:** The minutes from the regular meeting and the special meeting both on March 14, 2017, were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as presented Eggle, 2nd Akers. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report:** Report for March was presented – Checking account: Beginning balance \$41,770.58, Receipts \$49,208.27, Disbursements \$9,474.32, Ending balance \$81,504.53. This includes \$173.75 for the Picnic Fund as donated by citizens. CD: Beginning balance \$129,332.71, Receipts \$0, Disbursements \$0, Ending balance \$129,332.71. General Fund Total ending balance \$210,837.24.
- Voted Millage Account (Fire and Roads): Beginning balance \$7,417.25, Receipts \$118,863.51, Disbursements \$59,090.57, Ending balance \$67,190.19. Encumbered \$.
- Motion to accept March report as presented, Bolduc, 2nd Akers. Passed.
- Bills:** Bills were presented and discussed. Motion to pay monthly bills totaling \$1,424.31 and annual bills totaling \$1,615.00 from General Fund, Akers, 2nd Black. Passed.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda as amended, Bolduc, 2nd Black. Passed.
- Co. Commissioners:** Commissioner Nehmer attended and updated us on items the county commissioners have been dealing with over the last few meetings. He took one question from the audience and then concluded his comments.
- Fire Board Report:** Akers presented the minutes of the March and Annual Fire Board meetings, see attached. Total of 278 runs last year.
- Plan Commission:** No report. Public hearing regarding Zoning Ordinance 14.1 and 14.2 was carried out as planned.

- Parks Comm.:** See section below.
- Road Comm.:** Morton reported on the Road Committee meeting and our annual half hour with the County Road Commissioners, see attached. Sherman Road Committee members planning to drive around and do some assessment of the gravel roads on April 27, 2017.
- Correspondence:** Bolduc had 5 items 1) FOIA request from Open The Books.com, 2) Nathan P. reference to questions about the FOIA, 3) Bankruptcy notice of citizens in Tustin area to Sherman Twp EMS - interesting as no such entity exists, 4) MetLife name change to Brighthouse Life Ins., 5) G2 Consulting Group request for comments regarding proposed building of a monopole cell tower on Holmes property. From Eggle email from Pine River students interested in finding a community clean-up project they can help with or run. He will follow up with that.
- Old Business:**
- Park Projects 2016:** **Grove Hill** –Bolduc presented the pressing need to reduce our liability and deal with the hanging and damaged trees from the fierce wind storm several weeks ago. Discussion. Motion by Eggle to spend up to \$1,500 to have Aspen Outdoors get down on the ground as many of the dangerous trees as possible for that amount or less, 2nd Akers. Passed.
- Center Lake** – nothing until spring.
- Cemetery Sign:** Akers provided a name. Bolduc still working on getting this project.
- Kettunen Lumber:** Nothing to report.
- AMAR:** Nothing yet.
- Zoning Ordinance:** Check with Lapinski as to our next steps. Eggle would like to see this taken care of by the next meeting if possible.
- Budget Changes:** Bolduc presented several budget changes for the last FY 16/17 (6th change set), see attached. Shift among elements \$496. Motion to approve budget changes as presented Eggle, 2nd Black. Passed.
- New Business:**
- Tire Clean-up:** Sherman Twp will once again participate with the multi-township Tire clean-up headed up by Peggy Hoard from Middle Branch Twp. Our dates to help are June 28 from 8 - 9:30 AM. See attached power point slides for other dates when drop offs can occur. Discussion of how to get the word out there about this great service? The event has similar parameters to last year for size of tires and them being cleaned and dry.
- Upcoming Dates:** Eggle reviewed on a power point slide upcoming meetings and important dates. Annual ZBA meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7 PM.

Announcements: None.

Ext. Pub Comment: Eggle opened the floor for extended public comment at 8:15 PM. There were no comments, and public comment closed at 8:15 PM.

Adjourn: Motion by Bolduc to adjourn at 8:15 PM, 2nd Black. Passed.

Following the adjourning of the meeting a few words were spoken by Eggle and plaques presented for years of dedicated service in memory of Percy Louie Nye and to Florence Nye for their many years holding various offices in the township. Refreshments were served and the community visited with Flo and her granddaughter and each other for roughly 45 minutes.