

**Town of Sherry
Special Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2024**

The special Town Board meeting in conjunction with Milladore Town Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Ned Ruesch and Chairman Lang at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Bean, Supervisor Holtz, Clerk Lobner present. Supervisor Joel Kuehnhold, Supervisor Hank Nigh, Clerk Leslieanne Ruesch, Treasurer Ken Manlick were present as well.

Recycling Center Operations: Supervisors Holtz and Bean report the Town of Sherry is investigating cost-saving measures which may include curbside pickup and estimates from other recycling/solid waste vendors. Advance Disposal, now Waste Management, has been the solid waste and recycling service for over 20 years. The costs of solid waste and recyclables continue to rise each year.

On December 21, 2023, the Recycling Board met with Nick Auchtermeier, representative from Harter's Expert Disposal to discuss services and pricing estimates for recycling and solid waste disposal, as well as other services Haerter's offers.

Haerter's Expert Disposal (HED) has provided estimates for solid waste and recyclable collection reflecting an approximate 50% savings from current vendor. The initial Recycling Center 2024 budget request was \$20,074 with each Town's portion estimated cost \$10,037. By terminating the current WM contract before the end of January, we will be providing WM a "Notice of Termination" within the 60 days needed to terminate the contract. A certified letter with return receipt will be mailed if both Towns agree.

2024 Recycling Center	Total Cost	50-50 Split Between Towns	
Initial Budget Request	\$20,074	\$10,037	WM 1/1-12/31
Amended Budget Request	\$10,738	\$ 5,369	WM 1/1-3/31, HED 4/1-12/31
Savings	\$ 9,336	\$ 4,668	

A notable mid-2023 operational change reflects that residents may drop off appliances weekly on Saturdays during regular business hours. There will no longer be biannual White Goods Days.

A review of the cost analysis comparing Harter's Expert Disposal versus Waste Management shared. It is the recommendation of the Recycling Board to terminate our Waste Management contract, effective March 31, 2024. Supervisor Holtz will request a contract from Haerter's Disposal for services.

A **motion** to terminate the Waste Management service contract by Chairman Ruesch, second by Supervisor Kuehnhold. **Motion carried.** Town of Sherry will review at their January 9, 2024 meeting.

A **motion** to sign the 'Notice to Waste Management Terminating Agreement for Services by Chairman Ruesch, second by Supervisor Kuehnhold. **Motion carried.** Town of Sherry will review at their January 9, 2024 meeting.

A **motion** to dissolve the Sherry Milladore Recycling Board in favor of biannual meetings between the Town Boards of Milladore and Sherry by Chairman Ruesch, second by Supervisor Kuehnhold. **Motion carried.** Town of Sherry will address at their January 9, 2024 meeting.

Town of Milladore will develop an intergovernmental agreement between the Towns of Milladore and Sherry on roles and responsibilities.

- Costs will be split 50% equally between the two towns.
- Staffing will be split 50% equally between the towns e.g. one representative from Milladore and one representative from Sherry will work each operational day.
- Recycle Center operations will go through Town of Sherry.
- Town of Sherry will purchase solid waste bags.
- Town of Sherry will invoice Town of Milladore monthly for expenses.
- Town of Milladore will reimburse Sherry for half of insurance to the recycling center.
- Town of Sherry and Milladore will meet biannually, or as needed to review operations and financial reports.

Public Input: Former Supervisor Robert Ashbeck shared historical insight on Sherry Milladore Recycling Center operations. Mr. Ashbeck recollects that Wood County Emergency Management was billed for one-half of the snowplowing of the emergency tower. He was uncertain of when this practice ceased.

Schedule Future Meetings, as required: None.

Future Agenda Items: None.

Adjournment: There was a **motion** to adjourn by Supervisor Holtz, second by Supervisor Bean.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Lang. The Town of Milladore monthly meeting continued on. Sherry board members departed.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held on Tuesday January 9, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by Sandra Lobner, Clerk	Date: January 8, 2024
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Assembly Present: Ron Koziczkowski, Robert Ashbeck, Pat Altman

Approval: February 13, 2024