

**Town of Sherry
Regular Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2023**

The regular Town Board monthly meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Lang, Supervisor Bean, Supervisor Holtz, Clerk Lobner, and Treasurer Haas present.

Additions to the Agenda: Roaming Dogs in Town, Preliminary Budget Planning, Coordination Plan Review and Update, .gov Emails.

The minutes from the September 12, 2023, Town Board of Supervisors meeting was reviewed and approved with minor corrections by a **motion** by Supervisor Bean, second by Supervisor Holtz. **Motion carried.**

The treasurer's report was reviewed and approved with a **motion** by Supervisor Holtz, second by Supervisor Bean. **Motion carried.**

Pay Bills: Bill review completed followed by a **motion** to pay bills by Supervisor Holtz, second by Supervisor Bean. **Motion carried.**

Transfer Funds from Tax Savings to Checking: A **motion** by Supervisor Bean, second by Supervisor Holtz to transfer \$30,000 from savings account to checking for monthly expenses. **Motion carried.**

County Representative Report: No report.

Town Hall LED Lighting Update: Await arrival of LED lighting fixtures and installation this winter.

Certified Survey Maps: None.

Rural Mutual Insurance Policy Review: A **motion** by Supervisor Bean, second by Chairman Lang for Supervisor Holtz to arrange an insurance policy review and update policy as needed. **Motion carried.**

Storage Shed Update

- Supervisor Bean reports construction continues with installation of natural gas line, electrical wiring, and building heater. Building insulation, overhead and entrance door installation to follow. Building will be completed prior to winter.

Roads / Bridges and Road Maintenance:

- Bliven Lane – Tabled.
- Road grading will begin after the next rain.
- Supervisor Bean attends the TRIP Pilot Program meetings. AgRIP Pilot Program specifications will be released in 2024.
- Road assessments completed on September 27 with WISLR reporting due December 15.

Fairview Cemetery: Supervisor Bean reports a request for Plot 66, Lot 1 transfer within MancI/Mielke family members received. Surviving family members have agreed by completing their Plot/Lot Designation forms. Supervisor Bean reports a recent burial of ashes without a vault. Fairview Cemetery requires a burial vault for all burials including urns. A letter will be sent to the family to rectify the burial vault situation. Cemetery lot staking is required.

Recycling Center Update: Supervisor Holtz reports the Recycling Board will meet November 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m. to discuss operations, 2024 budget increase, financial review, changes to White Goods Day. The public is welcome. Residents may drop off appliances weekly on Saturdays during regular business hours.

Solar Panel and Solar Farm Ordinance: research continues. NextEra Energy is still waiting for initial soil testing results before proceeding with meeting this fall/winter with residents. NextEra needs to secure an

additional 5% more land. At the last WTA meeting the following Wisconsin Solar Model Ordinance was reviewed <www.growsolar.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/WI-Solar-Ordinance-2020.pdf>.

Solar Energy Permit Application: Bear Creek Power has requested a permit application for the proposed 2624 Sherry-Sigel Road solar project.

Utility Permit Application from InterCon Construction: InterCon is doing the design work on Hetze and Brandl Roads for Alliant Energy. Supervisor Bean requests topic be tabled to the next meeting as project work will begin in 2024.

Additions to Agenda:

- **Roaming Dogs:** Chairman Lang has received three complaints of roaming dogs in the Town. Chairman Lang will speak with the owners. A letter may need to be sent if unable to personally contact the owners.
- **Preliminary budget planning** meeting on October 23 at 9:00 a.m.
- **Coordination Land Use Plan** (2012) recommendation to review and update in 2024.
- **.Gov emails** for the town board, clerk and treasurer will need to transition to a new host site as contract with the State of Wisconsin's vendor will not be renewed by the State. Research on options continues.

Correspondence and Other Updates:

- The Wisconsin Town Association – Wood County Unit Meeting is on October 20 by host Town of Wood. Jason Grueneberg, Wood County Planning and Zoning as speaker.
- Residents are encouraged to sign-up for Town of Sherry subscriber communications either by text or email at << www.townofsherry.com >>. Then select "Subscribe to Updates". Enter the mobile telephone number for text alerts. Enter an email address to receive email alerts. Caution: If both an email and a text alert are selected one will receive multiple duplicate alerts. Select the topics you want to receive notifications from including New Agenda & Minutes Postings of Town Board, Open Book, Public Budget and Special Meetings of Electors, Annual Meeting, Board of Review, Recent News & Notices Postings, and Spotlights.
- There will be four statewide elections in 2024. Residents please ensure your voter registration information is accurate including current address, any name changes, etc. on <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/>. New voters age 18 and new residents are encouraged to register early to avoid delays at the polls. Yes, one may request an Absentee Ballot and request status as an Indefinitely Confined voter as well.

Public Input:

- Thank you to Sherri Tomlinson for stripping and waxing the town hall floors. They look great!
- Reminder: Please forward Bev Peaslee pictures or information on any family historical aspects of Sherry. Residents, former residents and non-residents may contact her to discuss.

Schedule Future Meetings, as required: Preliminary budget planning meeting scheduled October 23 at 9:00 a.m. Clerk will post the open meeting.

Future Agenda Items: None.

Adjournment: There was a **motion** to adjourn by Supervisor Holtz, second by Supervisor Bean. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. by Chairman Lang.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held on Tuesday November 14, 2023, 6:30 p.m. Budget Hearing with Special Meeting of Electors and Regular Board Meeting to immediately follow.

Minutes Prepared by Sandra Lobner, Clerk

Date: October 30, 2023

Attendees: Richard Becker, Luke Haas, Bev Peaslee, Robert Oertel Sr.