

Town of Sherry
Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2012

The regular Town Board monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with Board, Clerk and Treasurer present.

The minutes from the January meeting were read and approved with a motion by Mann, second by Hetze. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read and approved with a motion by Hetze, second by Mann . Motion carried.

County Representative Report –No report.

Fire Department: Chairman Homb will talk to Hank Nigh and ask him to come to the next Board Meeting. Chairman Homb attended the Village of Milladore Board Meeting. The Sherry Volunteer Fire Department presented training to Milladore on the use of a defibrillator. Chairman Homb stated that the current Contract with Sherry Volunteer Fire Department will expire December 31, 2013. He asked for volunteers to review the current contract, and contract language from other local volunteer fire departments. No volunteers stepped forward. Add to next month's agenda.

A Discussion was held on adopting a Dog Ordinance. A sample ordinance from the Legal Links portion of the Wisconsin Town's Association website was discussed. Add to next month's agenda.

A Discussion was held regarding the Road Improvement Plans for this year. Dairy Road is a priority. The Chairman will review options with paving contractors and bring his findings to next month's meeting. The Proposed Budget for 2012 set-aside approximately \$230,000 for road improvements.

A Discussion was held on Road Signs: – Chairman Homb asked for volunteers to inventory the existing road signs Discussion followed. Add to next month's agenda.

Employee Compensation: Chairman Homb made a motion, second by Supervisor Mann, to increase the hourly rate for Grader Operator and Plow/Dump Truck Operator to \$16/hour, effective February 14, 2012. Motion carried. Agenda item for next month – town hall cleaning compensation.

Ordinance for Destruction of Obsolete Records: A motion was made by Mann, second by Hetze to adopt an Ordinance. The Retention Schedule from the State Historical Society is incorporated by reference. There was a discussion about scanning the records that are "Permanent Retention." The Clerk reported that the

cost to scan the older, 11 x 19" Assessment and Tax Reports is \$2.24 per page, per a verbal quote from Staples. The Ordinance was adopted by a unanimous vote.

A discussion was held regarding shelving for the remodeling Town Hall office. Chairman Homb will contact Gary Linzmeier for a quote for shelving to store the "Permanent Retention" records.

A motion was made by Chairman Homb, second by Supervisor Hetze to approve the purchase of two new tables for the Town Hall. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, with a second by Supervisor Hetze to approve funds for refreshments for an "Open House" for the remodeled Town Hall. Chairman Homb also ordered a plaque to commemorate the donation by Sherry Tired Iron Classics. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Chairman Homb, second by Supervisor Mann to increase the Town Hall Rental Fee. Discussion was held. Input from Sandy Lobner proved comparison of rental fees for area halls. A new rate was established effective February 14, 2012.

Town of Sherry Residents - \$100 at time of reservation with \$50 refund if hall is cleaned.

Non-residents - \$125 at time of reservation with a \$50 refund if the hall is cleaned.

The Reservations and fees for rentals already requested and paid will be honored.

The Rental Agreement must be modified to reflect the fees, and instructions for cleaning refrigerator, microwave, sinks, etc.

Motion carried.

A discussion was held about a request from a photographer to allow the free use of the Town Hall for a youth photography class. The photographer sent an e-mail today, withdrawing the request at this time. No action taken.

A discussion was held regarding an error made on the classification of equipment. The equipment was categorized as personal property, but should have been categorized as ag-business. The error was discovered when a Personal Property Tax bill was received by the owner. The owner paid the tax, but is requesting a refund from the Town. The taxes collected are apportioned to other levels of government – state, county, school districts, and only a part of the Personal Property tax is retained by the Town. Chairman Homb will continue to research to determine what can be done. He will report at the next Board Meeting.

Coordination Plan Progress: Sandy Lobner, Jim Mann and Dick Becker reported. The Committee met four times since the last Town Board Meeting. They are working through the document to refine the wording. They hope to complete the document within the next 6-8 weeks. Linda Haas, Dan deBoer and Edwin Hetze volunteered to read the Plan and provide input. Jim Mann stated that volunteers from various areas of the Town will enhance the "Future Use" maps by their knowledge of their part of the town. The next meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Reminder that the Annual Meeting is set for April 10, 2012 at 8:00 P.M. The Regular Town Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 P.M., prior to the Annual Meeting. If necessary the Town Board meeting will be adjourned at 8:00 P.M. and reconvened after the Annual Meeting.

A motion to pay bills was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Hetze to transfer \$351,844.26 from Tax Savings Account to Checking. Motion carried.

The Annual Residential Building Permit Report from John Hoffman was read by Chairman Homb. Three residential building permits were issued in 2011.

Public Input:

- Suggestion to notify residents living near the Town Hall that the Sewer Pump Alarm Light has been mounted on the outside of the building. If the light is flashing, they should notify someone on the Town Board and the Sanitary District.
- The fire extinguisher gauge shows that it should be recharged soon.
- Consider having the insurance agent review the building and personal property limits.
- Edwin Hetze will contact David Lang from Kickapoo Valley Cheese regarding his report about the street light out across from St. Luke's Church.
- Election to be held April 3, 2012.
- Board will be attending Wisconsin Town's Assn. training Saturday, Feb. 18 at Stevens Point.

Correspondence:

- Notice of Wood Cutting – Tyler Freund
- Wood County Unit of Wisconsin Towns Assn. meeting – Feb. 24, 2012 at Babcock.
- Building Number Identification Listing received from Wood County Emergency

Management – name/ownership changes requested.

- A letter was received from Tom Buttke inviting Town Officials to a meeting to discuss the formation of a new County. The meeting was held Feb. 8, 2012 in Marshfield.

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A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, March 13, 2012 Time 7:00 PM

Minutes Prepared by: Rosie Ewoldt, Clerk

Date: February 15, 2012