Town of Sherry Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes April 10, 2012

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

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

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

Amy Sue Vruwink, State Representative: Representative Vruwink reported on the Assembly's last legislative session. There were several bills passed by the Assembly. Rep. Vruwink talked about a ruling which gives towns the same legal standing as villages during annexation proceedings. She also talked about legislation that changes the requirement for landowners to obtain permits through DNR (wetlands) to replace existing culverts. She opposed the Mining Bill because the Assembly version of the bill would have cancelled flood insurance throughout WI. Rep. Vruwink discussed the Wolf Hunt bill, the Castle Doctrine, and she supported the Concealed Carry Law. She also supported the bill that allows Towns to issue overweight road permits (15% over) for a three month period each year. The 70th District was one of three Districts which were radically impacted by Redistricting. The 70th District now covers areas of Western WI as far south as LaCrosse County. The Supreme Court will review.

County Representative Report -no report.

Coordination Plan Progress: Sandy Lobner reported that plan was sent to Jay Verhulst for review. The Committee was working towards a final DRAFT. Mr. Verhulst sent a number of comments and questions that the Committee will review. There will also be a meeting with Mr. Verhulst to discuss his comments and draft the final plan. The committee is relying on his guidance for timeframes to meet the Public Notice, Informational Meeting and Public Hearing. The Committee plans to have the Coordination Land Use Plan ready for Adoption by July, 2012. The next scheduled meeting for the Committee is April 18, 2012 beginning at 5 PM.

Internet Service for the Town Hall: The State Government Accountability Board is working with Election Software and Systems, Inc. They are hoping to have approval to implement the electronic transfer of Vote Tally electronically by mid-July, 2012. This will eliminate the need to e-mail the results to the County Clerk, and may eliminate the need for same night delivery of the materials to the Courthouse. This will also allow access to websites and e-mail, which can be important links on Election Day. Information was obtained from TDS. Quotes set the price at \$64.99

per month for telephone and internet service DSL -5 MB. The price without telephone service is \$59.99 per month. The Town Clerk will contact Solarus for availability and pricing.

Report from Treasurer – Chargebacks – Linda Haas reported that she met with the County Treasurer to determine if the Town of Sherry could request chargebacks for delinquent Personal Property taxes that were paid by the Town. Linda is preparing the forms to request chargebacks from Auburndale, Wisconsin Rapids and MSTC for 2010. The rules changed in 2011, so the Town will not be able to request chargebacks for delinquent Personal Property Taxes unless the taxpayer has filed bankruptcy, gone out of business or is removed from the tax roll. Linda is preparing letters to delinquent personal property taxpayers to set-up payment plans.

Dog Ordinance. Deferred until the Annual Meeting.

Repair of Ottillia Road: Chairman Homb reported that the road is in very poor condition. It is shared with the Village of Milladore. He is trying to contact the Village to talk about sharing costs for shell rock and possibly road base. He will call a Special Meeting to make a decision, as soon as the cost and cost-sharing decision is made. The work needs to be done immediately.

Road Improvement Plans for this year and Road Signs: A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to advertise for ½" and ¾" road base, along with crack-sealing, dustproofing and mowing. Herman Road and Paradise Roads will receive the road base, as funds allow. MOTION CARRIED. The Board will meet with blacktop contractors to determine the best approach to repair Dairy Road. Culverts will be evaluated and replaced prior to repairs. Chairman Homb will contact Wood County Highway Department to determine funds available from the 50/50 program.

Current road work – grader is repaired.

Road Signs – Dave Homb is still working on the Road Sign inventory.

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Ed Hetze to transfer \$1,421 from Budget category Public Works Expenses to General Government Expenses to provide funding to pay for the final bill for the office shelving. Motion carried.

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

The town board meeting was adjourned at 8 pm so the annual meeting could be held.

The Town Board Meeting was reconvened at 8:50 PM.

Chairman Homb announced that the "Open Book and Board of Review" are scheduled for June 12, 2012. The Open Book review is scheduled from 3-5 PM; the Board of Review is scheduled from 5-7 PM. Assessor Todd Pauls will be available for the Town Board Meeting, which will begin at 7 PM.

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to change next month's Town Board Meeting to Wednesday, May 9, 2012 beginning at 7PM because the Recall Primary Election is scheduled for May 8. Motion carried.

Correspondence and Other Updates:

- 1. Wood County Emergency Management will conduct a test of the Severe Weather/Tornado warning system on April 19th at approximately 1:10 PM. The test will be delayed until April 20th in the event of actual severe weather on April 19th.
- 2. Recall Primary Election to be held May 8th. Information regarding Absentee Voting is posted on the Town Website- townofsherry.com . If you have any questions, contact Rosie Ewoldt, Town Clerk.
- 3. Fire numbers and bridge signs will be ordered through Rent-a-Flash as soon as Fire # is determined for the Richardson hunting building.

Public Input:

- Joe Raab asked if there are funds available to repair the Recycling Center Building. The Recycling Center Board should evaluate and request funding, if needed. If funding is available the cost would be shared with the Town of Milladore.
- Question –when is the Emergency Tower going to be functional approximately one month.
- Jeff Bean questioned the amount paid to Wood County for MFL/Forest Crop on the 2011 Annual Report. Clerk will research and provide details at next Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held Wednesday, May 9, 2012 Time 7:00 PM

Minutes Prepared by: Rosie Ewoldt, Clerk Date: April 11, 2012