

TOWN OF SHERRY
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2013

The annual meeting was called to order at 8:00PM by Chairman Homb with 13 residents and one non-resident in attendance.

The minutes from the 2012 annual meeting were read and approved with a motion from Bev Peaslee, second by Peggy Richardson. Carried 13 yea, 0 nay.

The Annual Report was read and approved with a motion by Dick Becker, second by Kathy Termaat. Carried 13 yea, 0 nay.

OLD BUSINESS:

- New Road Signs – this is still being reviewed. There are inconsistencies between federal/state/county standards.
- Invite DNR Representatives to Board Meeting to explain Managed Forest Law and DNR owned property payment in lieu of taxes.
DNR representatives Craig Thompson and Kris Wimme attended the September 11, 2012, Town Board Meeting. They provided information on the acreage share, annual aid payment and yield tax. Concerns were voiced by citizens regarding the lack of payment for schools for most of the State payments received. The DNR Representatives stated that the payments are made in accordance with the current state laws. Citizens should voice their concerns with their local legislators to try to make changes.
- Fire Permits – the Town does not have an appointed Fire Warden and does not issue fire permits.
- Frac Sand regulations and road restrictions. The Town has not issued regulations nor road restrictions for town roads.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion by Dan DeBoer to use the Pioneer Bank as a depository for all accounts, second by Dave Richardson. Carried, 13 yea and 0 nay.
2. A motion was made by Bev Peaslee to give the Town Board the right to borrow in case of an emergency. Second by Peggy Richardson. Carried, 13 yea and 0 nay.
3. A motion was made by Peggy Richardson to enter into the 50/50 road work program with Wood County. Second by Bev Peaslee. Carried, 13 yea and 0 nay.

4. A motion was made by Dick Becker for the Town to pay for ½ the White Goods drop off. Second by Jeff Bean. Carried, 13 yea and 0 nay.
5. A motion was made by Dick Becker for the town to pay for a porta-potty for Anderton Park for the summer. Second by Linda Haas. Carried, 13 yea, 0 nay.
6. A motion was made by Peggy Richardson to use the Marshfield News Herald as the official newspaper for the publication of official notices. Second by Dan DeBoer. Carried, 13 yea and 0 nay.

TOWN RESIDENT INPUT

- Bev Peaslee asked if the rest of Swedish Road will be blacktopped. Response – Supervisor Mann – if there is enough money in future budgets, however the cost to blacktop has increased radically, plus the Town Board has to look to maintaining the existing blacktopped roads – approximately 14 miles of the 44 miles of Town Roads are currently blacktopped.
 - Dick Becker stated that almost all of the Town’s road signs have been spray painted.
 - Bev Peaslee asked the Board to consider locked display cases to display historical documents. Bev Peaslee, along with Rosie Ewoldt, Fred Miller and others, will be working on the Town’s history. We would like to have a “Share Our History Day” where we will invite community members to bring documents, pictures, their recollections and stories about Sherry. The Electors and Board were in favor of using Town funds for this purpose.
 - Jeff Bean and Jim Mann discussed the State’s use of the Paul J. Olson Conservation Land in the Town. Approximately 250 acres are rented for crop production. Jeff and Jim have been in contact with DNR Representative.
 - Jeff Bean gave information about a “Rain Tax” law implemented in Maryland. He also described current efforts by the federal government to designate a 2 mile buffer zone along the Fox River. Land within the buffer zone will be managed by the National Park Service.
7. A motion was made by Dave Richardson to set the next Annual Town meeting date on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 (the 3rd Tuesday of April) at 8:00PM at the Sherry Town Hall. Second by Dan DeBoer. Carried, 13 yea, 0 nay.
 8. A motion was made by Jeff Bean to adjourn. Second by Peggy Richardson. Carried, 13 yea, 0 nay.