Town of Sherry Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes November 12, 2013

THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD monthly meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM with Chairman Dave Homb, Supervisor Edwin Hetze, Sr., Supervisor Mann, Treasurer and Clerk present.

THE MINUTES FROM the October meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion by Supervisor Hetze, second by Supervisor Mann. Motion carried.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT was reviewed and approved with a motion by Chairman Homb, second by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – Mr. Ashbeck reported that the County Budget was passed today. Taxes will be about the same. The County Board also passed a Resolution to proceed with tax deed for 10 properties in Wood County– one in the Village of Milladore. Contact the County Clerk for more information.

ADOPT BUDGET FOR 2014: A motion was made to adopt the 2014 Budget, as presented at the Public Hearing, by Supervisor Mann, Second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

SHERRY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT: Chairman Homb made a motion to add to Exhibit A the following items for the upcoming contract, a) the Town needs a copy of the letter from the doctor serving as the medical advisor; b) a copy of the report sent to the State (DOR) for the non-profit LLC. Second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SB 347 – RELATING TO REGULATION OF NONMETALLIC MINING:

Senate Bill 347 proposes to take away local control over nonmetallic mining. Motion was made to oppose SB 349 by Supervisor Mann, second Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried. Copies of the Resolution will be mailed to State Senator Julie Lassa, State Representative Amy Sue Vruwink and to the Wisconsin Towns Association.

TOWN WEBSITE UPGRADE: The Town website was using an old version Town Web Design's program. This limited public access to some features that are now available with the update. The new version uses a new format for Agendas, Meeting Minutes and other documents. The Business Directory adds features where the Clerk can add the businesses website, logo and e-mail address. The directory contains a link so the public can contact a business from our website. The upgraded website also has a "sign-up" feature. The public can use this feature to receive an e-mail or text alert when a "Notice" is added to our website. The Clerk is asking for more pictures, so that the "slideshow" reflects more of our town. Send digital pictures as jpg's to the clerk at sherry.com Check out the upgraded website at www.townofsherry.com

SHERIFF REICHERT LISTENING SESSION – NOVEMBER 27, 2013 – Sheriff Reichert will be at the Town Hall from 10:00 a. m. until 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO SHERRY FLAGS: Clerk Ewoldt spoke to Village of Auburndale Clerk. She said that the Lion's Club took the lead in the flag purchase. The Village provides the Christmas decorations.

Chairman Homb reported that Alliant Power Co. does not want the flags on the power poles – light poles OK.

A motion was made by Chairman Homb stating that the Town Board does not oppose the idea of "Welcome to Sherry" flags, but will not take the lead. Second by Supervisor Mann. Motion carried.

A motion to purchase American Flags for the town flagpole was made by Chairman Homb, second by Supervisor Hetze. **Motion Carried.** Chairman Homb will donate the cost to install a waterproof flood light by the flag pole. Replacement bulbs will be provided by the Town, as needed.

CURRENT ROAD WORK:

Becker Trucking completed a portion of the ditching on West St. The balance will be completed next spring. Culvert will be replaced next week. Drain tile replaced on West St. Grader Operator Pelot reported that he still has a few roads to grade before winter. There was a request to fix the potholes by Kickapoo Valley Cheese Corporation near the corner of 3rd Street and River Street. – Becker Trucking was asked to patch the holes.

NEW SIGNS FOR ELECTIONS – ACCESSIBLE PARKING AND ENTRANCE: New signs were received from the Government Accountability Board. The signs were ordered in response to the GAB Accessibility Compliance Report from the Feb. 19, 2013 onsite audit. It was noted that we did not have a van accessible parking place designated, and the accessible entrance was not marked. The new signs must be posted for all future elections. The next scheduled election is Feb. 18, 2014. Supervisor Mann volunteered to install the signs.

Also, in response to the Accessibility Audit, the entrance door has been adjusted so it does not require more than 8 pounds of force to open the door.

The last item to comply with the Accessibility Audit is to provide an accessible table/stand for the Automark. The Clerk found a table that will meet the requirements. The approximate cost will be \$75.

TRANSFER FUNDS: A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to transfer \$125,000 from Tax Savings Account to the checking account. **Motion carried.**

PAY BILLS: A motion to pay bills was made by Supervisor Mann, with a Second by Supervisor Hetze, Motion carried.

Public Input:

- 1. Jesse Berghammer volunteer for snow plowing/sand and salt. He will contact Paul Beranek to get information from previous years.
- 2. The Town Chairman of Sigel shared his experience with billing from the County.

Correspondence:

- a. An e-mail was received from Mike Voss, MSA Engineering. He would like to present information about funding resources for infrastructure projects at the December 10th meeting. OK per Board.
- b. An e-mail was received informing Chairman Homb that Kickapoo Valley Cheese Corporation was sold to Beiry Cheese Company. Chairman Homb will contact Ben Beiry to see if he will come to a meeting.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hetze, second by Supervisor Mann to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, December 10, 2013 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by: Rosie Ewoldt, Clerk Date: November 13, 2013