

Town of Sherry
Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes
August 19, 2014

The regular Town Board monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Chairman Homb, Supervisor Hetze, Supervisor Mann, Treasurer and Clerk present.

The minutes from the July 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 Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

County Representative Report: Robert Ashbeck, County Board said there will be an advisory referendum regarding minimum wage on the November 4th ballot. The County Board will also add an advisory referendum to the November 4th ballot asking if the State should accept federal Medicaid funds for the Badgercare Program. A Committee was formed to study regulating waste irrigation in the County. Mr. Ashbeck complimented the new Director of Planning & Zoning. A question was raised if the County received money from Frac Sand haulers, and if yes, what happened to the money. Mr. Ashbeck will follow-up.

Recycling Center: The Recycling Board will meet on August 28, 2014 to complete and submit an application for a grant to the Department of Natural Resources for 2015. The Board will also review the current budget and project the shortfall. The Board will request additional funding from each Town at the September meetings.

Sanitary District – still looking for a nominee to fill the Commissioner position. The Board met with the Sanitary District, contractor, Biery Cheese Representation on July 25th for a pre-construction meeting prior to repaving the Town proper. The Sanitary District said they would get back to the Board with a date to finish their portion of the work, prior to the Town commencing work. The Chairman stated that the contractor for grinding may schedule his portion. The Sanitary District received approval on their temporary permit for Discharge. They have to work on their phosphorous levels, according to information from a news article.

Poll Workers: Isla Pelot resigned. The Clerk was informed that three of the six remaining poll workers will not be available for the November 4, 2014 General Election. Cindy Krings, Kathy Brandl, Peggy Richardson and Dave Homb have agreed to serve as Alternate Election Inspectors. Clerk Ewoldt will provide training prior to the November 4th Election. The Clerk is able to assign poll workers for one election only.

Wood County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan – a motion was made by Supervisor Hetze, second by Supervisor Mann, to adopt the Plan by Resolution. **Motion carried.**

Resolution – Wastewater Discharge – Phosphorous Limits - table until next month.

ATV/UTV Ordinance – 1 year review – An Ordinance was adopted at the July 9, 2013 Board Meeting, with an effective date of July 10, 2013. The Board minutes state that the Board will review the ordinance after one year. No complaints received, leave it as it is. Signs have to be changed.

Roads/Bridges:

Implements of Husbandry & Ag Vehicle Temporary Road Permits – new regulations with full implementation January 1, 2015. The Board reviewed draft Ordinances from the Wisconsin Towns Association. Discussion followed. According to Town of Milladore Chairperson, the Town can charge a fee to issue permit, but can't impose a fee for over-width or overweight. **Motion** by Chairman Homb to table until next month, second by Supervisor Hetze, **motion carried.**

Swedish Road Bridge – Wood County Engineer’s findings and recommendation from the bridge inspection are to post a 10 Ton weight limit and barricade so vehicle only use center. The Town could apply for bridge aid through County. A brief review of WI Statute 60.47 indicated that the project should be bid . Chairman Homb made a motion to publish a class 2 notice, second by Supervisor Mann. **Motion carried.** Update: Clerk Ewoldt contacted the Wisconsin Towns Association Attorney for guidance. Attorney Carol Nawrocki advised that the bidding law does not apply if you hire the county for a project WI Statute 60.47(4), exception LRIP projects.

Road Maintenance- Green Elm, Mill Creek Lane needs to be graded. Partner Road was graded today. Brandl Road – culvert may need to be replaced.

Culvert on Rocky Run Road: Mr. Hoffman is threatening to sue Town. The County Engineer says the ditch it’s a natural waterway. Board declined to take action.

Legal Fee Agreement: A motion was made by Jim Mann, second by Ed Hetze to approve the Legal Fee Agreement with Shane VanderWaal from Pietz, VanderWaal, Stacker & Rottier, S.C. **Motion carried.**

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

Public Input: Larry Pelot said that grader tires leak air – need grader blades. Dan DeBoer from Earth, Inc. said they will check the tires. He said they would sell grader blades to the Town at their cost.

Correspondence and Other Updates:

- The 2014 Wisconsin Towns Association Convention will be October 26-28 in Stevens Point.
- Clerk Ewoldt will be attending the Wisconsin Municipal Clerk Association’s Annual Conference August 21-22 at Rothschild.
- We received the Preliminary Estimate of Population as of January 1, 2014 from the WI Dept of Administration. The population for Town of Sherry is estimated at 808. The 2010 Census was 803.
- We received the Department of Administration Local Government Report. Available for review.
- The clerk received numerous communications from the Government Accountability Board regarding the implementation of changes from the last legislative session. This information was implemented by the clerk and election inspectors during the August 12, 2014 Partisan Primary.
- We received a notice from the WI Town’s Association regarding their concern over a sample resolution/petition we may have received from a group called “Move WI Alliance.” According to the letters, the resolution is in regard transportation allocations.
- Clerk was contacted by a resident wanting to use the Wisconsin Rapids Compost site. Clerk contacted the City Engineer. He sent information – the Town would issue permits for \$35 each. The Town would submit the funds received to the City at the end of the year.
- Clerk was contacted by James Hartman from Intren, Inc. He is working with Alliant Energy for pole maintenance projects in the Town of Sherry and surrounding areas. He provided a map. His phone call and subsequent e-mail ask if we require a permit. Clerk will respond.

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Homb to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, September 9, 2014, at 7 p.m.