

**Town of Sherry
Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 14, 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 September 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.

Engineering Bids: 6 bids were received. There was a Motion to table the decision on award to allow for further review of the bids by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze.

County Representative Report: Robert Ashbeck reported. The county manure committee is continuing to gather information.

Mr. Ashbeck was approached about a Pit on Rose Rd. Concerned citizens, who live near the pit have concerns about grandchildren or animal falling into the pit. There's no way to get out. It is a shell rock pit – 30 feet deep. The County should be enforcing regulations regarding non-metallic mining. The owner should have a non-metallic mining permit and are required to have a bond. Chairman Homb will contact Attorney to see what the Town can do about this situation.

2015 Budget Discussion – preliminary budget figures reviewed. Maximum levy limit \$192,030 – net new construction is the only increase factored into the levy limit.

The Budget Hearing is scheduled at the Town Hall on November 11, 2014 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

2015 Recycling Center Budget Request – The Recycling Board is requesting \$3,300 for Operating Expenses in 2015. The Operating Expenses are offset with the anticipation of a grant from the DNR similar to last year's grant of \$4,542 between the Town of Sherry and the Town of Milladore. Additionally, the employees at the Recycling Center will be paid by the Towns. The operating expenses for the Recycling Center do not include reimbursement of the wages to the Towns, as done previously.

Bob Ashbeck – received a call from Advanced Disposal. The dumpster was over full and much of the garbage was not in the approved bags. The dumpster fee is only \$148.00 per month, but the requirement is that residents use the approved bags from Advanced Disposal. The cost of the bags, paid by the Town, reduces the cost of the dumpster. If Advanced Disposal requires a fee based on weight of garbage, the cost will increase substantially. Residents need to use Advanced Disposal bags. Remodeling materials should be the residents' responsibility. They should be renting their own dumpster. There was a suggestion to put a flyer in with the tax bills.

Contracts – Agreements

1. **2015 Ambulance Contract:** The City of Marshfield Ambulance Service for 2015 is \$21,095. This is an increase of \$1,160. Motion to approve the contract by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.
2. **2014-2017 Election DS 200 Maintenance Agreement - \$200 per year.** Bills paid at tonight's meeting include the 2014 and 2015 installment. Motion to approve the contract by Supervisor Mann, second by Chairman Homb. Motion carried.
3. **2015 South Wood County Humane Society Agreement** – increase 3% - \$80/animal pick-up or \$52/animal drop-off. Motion to approve the agreement by Supervisor Hetze, second by Supervisor

Mann. Motion carried.

4. **Revised Legal Services Agreement** – revised to show that travel will be billed at one-half the hourly rate of the attorney traveling – clause #3. All other terms remain the same. Motion by Supervisor Mann, Second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

November 4 Election Photo ID Requirement: The U.S. Supreme Court halted the implementation of the Photo ID Requirement for the November 4, 2014 Election. Voters will not be required to show photo ID to receive a ballot. The Proof of Residence requirement is still in effect for new voter registrations, or for voter change of name or address.

Job Description and Compensation: A defined job description was presented to describe the duties and frequency of cleaning the Town Hall. The compensation was set at \$10/hr. Effective October 15, 2014. There was a Motion to approve cleaning town hall and write descriptions for grader operations by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. Motion carried.

Sanitary District – Attorney VanderWaal is working on ordinances. Mr. Krzykowski did not locate any additional ordinances or bylaws from the Sanitary District.

Resolution – Wastewater Discharge – Phosphorous Limits - Supervisor Mann reported that this is at the federal level, so committee recommended that a letter would not be effective at this time.

Roads/Bridges:

Implements of Husbandry & Ag Vehicle Temporary Road Permits – new regulations with full implementation January 1, 2015. Supervisor Mann five options available for towns. Supervisor Mann proposes posting a meeting, open to public, have all surrounding town chairmen discuss options. Post meeting and invite Towns to come and discuss. Post in newspaper. Chairman Nowak, Town of Sigel would like to post meeting this week, and hold a meeting next week. Each Town will be required to send their adopted Ordinance to the State DOT to be on their website. The permits issued will be a “No fee permit by the Town”, except a reasonable administrative fee. Chairman Nowak will host the meeting. The Board expressed concerns about the amount of paperwork involved and administrative burden.

Swedish Road Bridge – need to put barrels up to keep traffic to the center of the bridge. Bids for engineering were opened, but Board needs to review because of large price discrepancy.

Road Maintenance – Paradise Road needs grading. Green Elm needs grading. Larry Pelot reported that he and Mr. Baltus cut trees and brush on Bliven Road, and along Cty S near Bliven Road. There was a discussion of granite on Lonely Road.

Supervisor Mann started the Town Truck to make sure it would run, when needed.

Road Repair Status –

Town Proper – American Asphalt will Grade next Thursday, pave on Friday.

Install a line from the Town Hall land area to connect to a basin on corner of Third and River St. Board asked Mr. Becker to submit pricing.

Chairman Homb received a call from Russell Brockman – bridge on Arpin Sherry has a large dip. Chairman Homb will contact Fahrner to patch the road.

Budget Transfer: Not needed at this meeting.

Transfer Funds from Tax Savings to Checking: Not needed at this meeting.

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

Public Input:

There was a recommendation that the Town truck be taken in for a tune-up.

County Road N & S – brush/trees blocking view. Portage County is responsible. Supervisor Mann will call.

Sanitary District President Krzykowski asked why the Town is concerned about the Sanitary District. Supervisor Mann explained that the Town needs to know its responsibility. This came to light when one of the S.D. Commissioners passed away. The Town couldn't find regulations or ordinances. Mr. Krzykowski referred to WI State Statutes and stated they are their own municipality – free of all towns' regulations.

Correspondence and Other Updates:

- Chairman Homb received an E-mail from Ms. Carlson from Wood County Health Department about people burning plastic. Letters have been sent, but residents aren't in compliance.
- Clerk Ewoldt will provide training for Election Inspectors on October 15, 2014.
- In person absentee voting will be held at Clerk Ewoldt's home beginning October 20 – October 31. Hours for in person absentee voting are 10 a.m. -3 p.m. Monday – Friday, except there will not be voting on Tuesday, Oct. 28. Also, Friday, October 31 voting hours are 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. See the Absentee Voting notices or call for further details.
- The 2014 Wisconsin Towns Association Convention will be October 26-28 in Stevens Point.
- The WISLR Map was mailed to the Department of Transportation and an e-mail receipt was received. Updates to road work were entered into the WISLR system online by Clerk Ewoldt.
- The Wood County Unit of WTA meeting will be held Friday, October 17, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wood Town Hall. The Guest Speaker will be Kevin Boyer, Wood County Surveyor.
- Wisconsin Department of Administration Notice for the estimated population for the Town of Sherry is 808, with approximately 617 of the population of voting age.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, November 11, 2014, immediately following the Budget Hearing.