

Town of Sherry
Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2016

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

The minutes from the May meeting were reviewed and approved with **a motion** by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. **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: Mr. Ashbeck reported on his discussion with the Highway Commissioner. Mr. Ashbeck also reported that the River Block remodel is going to cost substantially more than originally budgeted because of the heating system. He also reported that the DNR is no longer going to regulate high capacity wells.

Southern Ohio Lumber – Sherry Plant – Chairman Dave Homb arranged a meeting with Jason Grueneberg, and Jeff Brewbacker from Planning and Zoning, and Steve Bro of Southern Ohio Lumber – Sherry Plant. The intent of the meeting was for the parties to meet face-to-face to discuss the floodplain issue. The County is willing to help and offered suggestions. Steve Bro will follow-up with the Engineering Company. The timeline has flexibility as long as it's they are working on a solution. They are looking for proof of when the fill was hauled in.

Recycling Center: Grant funds for the Recycling Center applications have been received – Town of Sherry received \$2,218.45 and the Town of Milladore received \$2,105.95. This is more than was projected.

Website – Upgrade: The new website went live on Saturday, June 11th. Clerk Ewoldt will receive training on June 15th. She will work with Town Web Design, LLC to add additional information and pictures.

Liquor Licenses and Operator Licenses: **A motion** was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to Renew the Liquor License for Daniel Ladick and an Operator License for Mary Rogne. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to issue a Temporary Class B Picnic License to the Sherry Tired Iron Tractor Club for July 23-24, 2016, and Operator Licenses to Fritz Miller, Penny Shanks, Nicholas Kloos, Travis Pecher, Larissa Pecher, Paul Fuehrer, Patrick Kremer, and Eric Henke. **Motion carried.**

Town Hall – Shrubs and Other Maintenance:

A bid was submitted from Arbor Vantage in the amount of \$1,820 for the removal, grinding the stumps, replace rocks. **A Motion** was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to accept the bid. **Motion carried.**

The Town Hall floors were waxed last month. Thank you to David Becker for allowing us to use his enclosed trailer for storage of tables and chairs. The fans in both restrooms were replaced. Thank you to the Master Gardeners for the flowers and plants in front and behind the Town Hall.

Host – Thursday August 18th Wood County Unit of the Wisconsin Town's Association Meeting: Venue: Milladore Village Hall. Speaker: Quentin Ellis, Investigative Captain or Investigator Andrew Simon from the Wood County Sheriff's Department will provide information about drug enforcement in Wood County. Supervisor Hetze will contact Mancl's for the food and beverages.

Roads/Bridges:

The Hetze Road Bridge Replacement project was awarded to Becker Trucking and Excavating. The Maple Road Bridge Replacement bid was not awarded due to budgetary constraints.

Partner Road is done. Lang Road was regraded. There was a **motion** to do double dust proof Partner Road – no grading the rest of this year by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. **Motion carried.**

2017 Budget: There was a discussion at the Annual Meeting about setting aside funding for replacement of the grader by raising the levy limit above the State allowable local levy of 0% increase or net new construction. The Town is not required to go to referendum, but may adopt a Town Board resolution, which will be voted on at the Town Elector Annual Budget Hearing. Board will decide if they want to do ask for a levy increase.

Assessor Todd Pauls: Mr. Pauls addressed the Town Board. He stated that last year the State was pushing to have the Assessment and Equalization at the County Level. That was dropped by the wayside. Some of the ideas are still in play – 10% Equalized Values once every six years. Market wise – every muni value is coming up. Home building costs has increased, so that is pushing the value of existing homes up. Land values are staying even.

Municipal leaders and citizens should talk to legislature about Personal Property taxes. He believes this is anti-business taxes. He also doesn't think there is a need for a mandatory four hour meeting for Open Book – Board of Review for rural towns. Reassessment – about 5th year town should start looking at doing a partial evaluation and spread out over two years.

Transfer Funds from Tax Savings to Checking: There was a motion to transfer \$65,000 from Tax Savings to checking by Supervisor Hetze, second by Supervisor Mann. **Motion Carried.**

Pay Bills: There was a motion to pay bills by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. **Motion carried.**

Public Input:

Roadside mowing – didn't cut behind the guardrail on Dairy Road. Trees may need to be cut. Supervisor Mann will call JJ's.

Supervisor Mann will arrange for black dirt to be delivered to the Cemetery. He will donate the cost of the dirt.

County Rep. Ashbeck reported that the County has a work release program. The program was used to straighten stones in a local cemetery for a minimal cost.

Correspondence and Other Updates:

- The Wood County Unit of the Wisconsin Town's Association meeting will be on Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Saratoga Hall. This will be a regular agenda for the meeting.
- Clerk Ewoldt completed a lengthy survey for the Wisconsin Town's Association. The survey was sent to all Towns, and WTA will provide a compilation.
- The Wood County Treasurer sent a notice that the County has signed a contract with GCS Software from Onalaska, WI for the Tax Software System.
- There are several webinars scheduled for WisVote and General Election Administration between now and the General Election in November. The "MyVote Wisconsin" upgrade will be deployed in last June.

Closed Session: Employee Relations

Supervisor Mann, moved Supervisor Hetze seconded to convene into closed session pursuant to WI Statute 19.85 (1)(c) for the following purpose: Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Roll Call: Dave Homb – yes; Jim Mann – yes; Edwin Hetze Sr. – yes. **Motion carried.**

Supervisor Mann moved, Supervisor Hetze seconded to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote: Dave Homb – yes; Jim Mann – yes; Edwin Hetze Sr. – yes. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to offer two options to employee in closed session at the next meeting. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.