Town of Sherry Regular Board Monthly Meeting Minutes October 11, 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 September 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.

Southern Ohio Lumber Company – Sherry Plant – Steve Bro reported that his brother, Jeff Bro, may purchase the house and manage the plant. Everything is going well. Let them know if there are problems. There are still trying to resolve the flood zone issue. They installed a new piece of equipment to improve efficiency. They entered a 5 year contract with Verso. They are still looking for employees. Currently they have 11 employees, but could use 15. They need at least 30 needed by next year.

County Representative Report: The River Block renovation costs are more than budgeted.

County Highways – ATV Access: Mr. Ashbeck reported that the Co. Highway Dept. had a meeting last Thursday to discuss opening portions of county roads for ATV access. The main concern in the Town of Sherry is a section of County F –from Vruwink Road to Dairy Road. The ATV group also requested access from West St. to Hetze Road along County N. The Town Board doesn't have a problem with the County Roads being open in these sections.

Town Revaluation: The last revaluation was done in 2006. Assessor Todd Pauls submitted a proposal to do a revaluation over a two year period. Cost would be \$13,350 per year. The revaluation would be spread-out over 2 years. The assessor fee would cover normal maintenance assessment. The Board decided to table this decision until next month.

Five Year Road/Bridge Plan: Town Chairman developed a list of roads that need repair. After discussion, Chairman Homb will update the list for other road maintenance immediate needs.

Town Board Resolution to Exceed the Allowable Levy Limit:

The Board adopted a resolution to exceed the allowable levy limit by \$58,550 (1 mil) by a motion by Supervisor Mann, second by Supervisor Hetze. Vote: 3 yea votes – Resolution adopted.

The town electors will make the final decision at the Special Town Meeting of Electors and Public Hearing of the proposed 2017 town budget to be held on November 15, at 6:30 p.m.

Recycling Center:

There was motion by Supervisor Hetze, Second by Supervisor Mann to renew the agreement with Advanced Disposal for an additional 36 months – **Motion carried**.

Bob Ashbeck reported that the entrance gate at the Recycling Center was locked out by another

entity's padlock. He cut the chain to open the gate.

Roads – current Road Maintenance: Herman, Partner and Paradise roads should be graded.

General Election – In Person Absentee Voting: Clerk Ewoldt announced that In Person Absentee Voting (Early Voting) is available by appointment. You may contact her Monday – Friday by calling 715-569-4458.

Town Hall – Air Conditioning – The air conditioning unit that Supervisor Mann was going to donate will not work. There was a Motion to put the air conditioning out for bids by Supervisor Mann, second by Hetze, motion carried.

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

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

Public Input: Thank you to Bob Oertel for installing the new faucets at the Town Hall.

Milladore garage door doesn't work and light bulbs keep burning out. Chairman will call Town of Milladore Chairman.

The Town Board is looking for a plow driver.

Correspondence and Other Updates:

- The Town of Seneca will host the Wood County Unit of Wisconsin Towns Association meeting on Friday, October 21, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at St. Joseph's Chapel on County D, Vesper. The speaker will be Rick Manthe, Legal Counsel for WTA. He will talk about Open Meeting Laws.
- 2015 Wisconsin Act 261 directed Wisconsin to joint Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC), an inter-state consortium formed to improve the accuracy of voter registration data and to assist voters to become registered at their current addresses. Over 17,000 postcards were sent residents in Wood County that have a driver's license, but are not registered to vote. The criteria used was a match of the name and driver's license number's at DMV with the name and driver's license number in the WisVote system. Some registered voters will receive post cards even if they are currently a registered voter because the Voter Registration process did not require driver's license numbers until 2006.
- Clerk Ewoldt attended a WMCA District meeting in Fond du Lac on September 30th. The Wisconsin Election Commission presented legislative and judicial updates affected the November 8th election.
- The Chief Election Inspectors and Clerk Ewoldt attended Election Training presented by Wood County Clerk Cindy Cypress on Thursday, October 6th.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hetze second by Supervisor Mann to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

The next Regular Town Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15th immediately following the Special Town Meeting of Electors and Public Hearing on the Proposed 2017 Town Budget which begins at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by: Rosie Ewoldt, Clerk Date: 10/13/2016