

REGULAR MEETING  
Sherman Township Board  
July 11, 2024

Supervisor John Wilhelm called the regular meeting of the Sherman Township Board to order on Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 6:30 PM in the Sherman Township Office. Other Board members attending were Clerk JT Reno, Treasurer Marilyn Kastelic, Trustee Deneen Connell, and Trustee Sondi Mathews. There were also 7 members of the public in attendance.

A motion was made by the Clerk, seconded by the Treasurer, to discuss and approve the agenda. "Recording of meeting minutes" was added to the agenda. All votes to approve with the addition were "ayes."

Trustee Connell made a motion to discuss and approve the minutes from the June 13, 2024 regular meeting and the Supervisor seconded. All votes to approve were "ayes."

The Clerk made a motion to approve and discuss expenditures and Trustee Mathews seconded. It was noted that the water plant operator now drives the samples to Houghton. All votes to approve expenditures were "ayes."

A member of the public expressed that the town looked "shabby and unmowed" during the Fourth of July and that a volunteer work party be arranged to clean up the park.

A motion was made by the Supervisor to arrange a volunteer town cleanup day for the park and areas around the Township buildings (pending insurance approval). Stain/paint and supplies will be purchased by the Township. The Clerk seconded the motion and all votes to approve were "ayes."

An offer of \$23,000 was made on the tender that the Fire Departments had listed for sale. After a 10% listing/sales fee the FD will make \$20,700. The Supervisor made a motion to approve the sale, Trustee Connell seconded and all votes to approve were "ayes."

The placement of the new slide in the park is tentatively located between the "basket ball net" and the "teeter totter." A permit will be acquired and a volunteer work party will be arranged for installation.

The Supervisor made a motion, seconded by the Clerk, to reconvene the Park Committee for the purposes of township beautification. Trustee Connell will be the board member attending them. All votes to approve were "ayes."

The Schoolhouse/park water payment will be discussed at a different meeting.

K. Bennetts has shown interest in the old cabinet that was removed from the kitchen in the community hall. The Clerk made a motion, seconded by the Supervisor to let him have the cabinet. All votes to approve were "ayes."

The Supervisor is looking into a bill from Waste Management and the leftover debris from the spring cleanup.

Lisa Maxwell from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation contacted the Township about use of the community hall for a group of about 40 people. The Supervisor made a motion to rent the hall to the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation or their representative for the day on September 11 2024. A fee of \$150 (+ insurance costs) will be included for wear/tear and cleaning for a non-resident usage. Trustee Connell seconded the motion and all votes to approve were "ayes."

Chief Loy gave an update that the Fire Department had raised \$4,000 in 8 weeks and should have a team of 6 fully trained EMR members before the next Board meeting. The new tender is also in the shop for fluid and seal changes.

There is a deficit in the water fund checking account and it can't meet expenses. The Supervisor made a motion, seconded by Trustee Connell, to delay the RRI payment of \$5,568 until the next Board meeting. All votes to approve were "ayes." It was noted that a rate increase of \$6 per month will be reflected on the next rounds of bills.

Grounds and maintenance will be notified about the public comment concerning the grass.

A motion to adjourn was made by the Supervisor at 7:32 PM, the Clerk seconded.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on August 8, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

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John Wilhelm, Supervisor

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JT Reno, Clerk