

Village of Sheridan
Board Meeting
May 9, 2022

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Village Board of Trustees met on the above date with the following members present: Peggy Arneson, Tom Wehner, Jamie Skalic, Darin Naggs, Jeff Wilhelm, and Shelly Figgins.

Bills for April 2022 in the amount of \$35,960.84 were presented for approval of payment. Shelly Figgins motioned to approve payment. Tom Wehner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Minutes from April 11, 2022 were presented for approval. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Shelly Figgins gave the finance report for April 2022 with an ending balance of \$2,132,528.27. Tom Wehner motioned to approve the finance report as presented. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Grimwood announced the yearly sexual harassment training paperwork would be sent out to all appointed members this week with access to the training on the village website. Appointed members will need to complete training yearly and turn in the completion certificate to Village Hall. Ron Larson has also brought in flyers for the Community Clubs Annual Memorial Day Cruise Night which will be Saturday, May 28th from 5-8:00PM.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor Strothman stated that Sheridan was not chosen this year for the Safe Routes to School Grant Funding for sidewalk replacement. She congratulated other towns that were chosen and feels we should continue to try for this opportunity in the future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Jeff Wilhelm, Streets Committee, announced sidewalk bidding would be tomorrow morning for this year's project to be awarded in June. Hamilton Engineering is also working on a bidlet for roughly 13 blocks of street work. There has also been another \$100,000.00 added to the budget appropriation allocated to the General Fund for streets maintenance for the additional work he has planned. He has conferred with Larry Fleming regarding the tree issues at Barr Street between W Church Street and W Pleasant Street. Larry feels the tree is safe but will trim additional limbs if the village wanted. He will add this to a list of tree work he is working on. He has also just been given the latest punch list from street work from last year and hopes this will be completed and corrected soon. Jamie Skalic asked on street work on Plum Street if

the street could be widened. Jeff stated the work this year would be repair of pothole issue near the stop sign.

Darin Naggs, Sewer Committee, had no current issues. He stated they have flushed out a line with the sewer jetter, which worked well.

Jamie Skalic, Zoning Committee, stated having 2 permits totaling \$93.20 for a temporary fence and a reside.

Tom Wehner, Parks Committee, asked for approval of the purchase of lumber for replacement to the train in Centennial Park. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve the expenditure of lumber. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Peggy Arneson, Police Committee, gave the police report. Chief Bergeron stated having spoken with Community Unit #2 regarding the DARE program for next year. They agreed to match funding for the program and asked if they would also be able to have a program for 7th and 8th graders who had missed out on this the past few years due to Covid. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the training for 5th, 7th and 8th grade students for the upcoming school year. Shelly Figgins seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. Chief Bergeron would also be recertified for training the program. Chief Bergeron also stated that old body armor expires every five years. He has accumulated several pieces that have expired. He has been approached by someone with relatives defending in the Ukraine regarding donating old body armor to assist them in their fight. Attorney Burton stated there would be no liability issues to the village. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the donation. Tom Wehner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Attorney Burton has reached out to LaSalle County Highway Department regarding the covered manhole on W Si Johnson Avenue and Grove Street from the CAPE Seal work last year to which they said was now on the village to repair. Mayor Strothman will reach out to someone else regarding this.

The Community Club presented a Sesquicentennial Celebration banner to which they asked if the village could hang up across the street outside the bank soon to begin advertising the events they are planning. Don McNelis asked if the banners could be donated to the Historical Society after the events. The board will donate them. Dayle Thibault asked permission for them to host carriage rides on July 3rd, and July 4th tractor pulls, the parade and toilet bowl races, which would need street closures on July 4th from 8:00AM to 4:00PM. She has checked with businesses affected on the road closure with only the Sheridan Food Mart being affected to which they had no issues. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve the road closures for the events. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. Mackenzie Harris inquired on the liability waivers, garbage cans and portopots. Attorney Burton stated the liability waivers were fine to use again this year that were used last year. Jeff Wilhelm stated the garbage cans and portopots would be taken care of as well. They will email the itinerary for all plans soon. The start date would be June 26th for events and ending July 4th.

NEW BUSINESS:

A public hearing on the village's Budget Appropriation began. There were no comments regarding the Appropriation. The public hearing was closed.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution in Consideration of Authorizing American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Village Sanitary Sewer Lining. The board would like to proceed with lining of sanitary sewers with this federal funding. Tom Wehner motioned to approve Resolution 2022-27 to use ARPA Funding for sewer lining. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced the Annual Appropriation Ordinance. The only change from the tentative budget presented in April was an additional \$100,000.00 allocation to streets maintenance. Shelly Figgins motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-28, Appropriation Ordinance. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Making Annual Appointments. She read aloud all appointments for the year. Shelly Figgins motioned to approve Resolution 2022-29, Annual Appointments. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution making Annual Committee Appointments. Committees will remain the same as last year. Tom Wehner motioned to approve Resolution 2022-30, Annual Committee Appointments. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Authorizing Village to Accept Proposal Regarding Squad Car Camera Installation. This is a budgeted item for installation of a camera system to the 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe not exceeding \$5,520.00. The new Dodge had the system installed last fiscal budget and another will be done next fiscal year. These camera systems will be compatible to the body cameras when they become law in 2025. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve Resolution 2022-31 for camera installation to the squad car. Shelly Figgins seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced an Ordinance Amending Chapter 3-Village Employees of the Municipal Code of Sheridan. This Ordinance clarifies vacation time for full time employees also giving them sick days. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-32. Tom Wehner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5-the Village Marshal of the Municipal Code of Sheridan. The Ordinance makes updates to vacation time and sick time for full time police officers. Shelly Figgins motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-33. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Authorizing Payment of Sewer Damages and Accepting Assignment of Claims. There are also several sinkhole issues in town related to this installation. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve Resolution 2022-34, approving authorization of Assignment of Claims. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution in Consideration of Accepting Bid and Authorizing Execution of Contract for Salt Shed for Village Maintenance Department. Bids were received from Greenfield Contractors, LLC for a total of \$37,992.60 and another from Wide Horizon Construction for a total of \$69,800.00. After discussion, the board would like to table the resolution. They will also look at construction of the foundation of the shed using the blocks we currently have and rebid the canopy roof.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution in Consideration of Accepting Bid and Authorizing Execution of Contract for Reroofing of the Village Hall/Police Department. Bids were received from Olsson Roofing for a total of \$152,024.00 for complete tear off and McConnaughay & Sons gave several options for their bid. Option One was for a complete tear off totaling \$116,522.00, another was to recover with a tapered insulation totaling \$107,682.00 and a third to recover with a flat insulation totaling \$62,100.00. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve Resolution 2022-35, the bid from McConnaughay & Sons to recover with a flat insulation totaling \$62,100.00 with work to begin after July 4th. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Accepting Proposal of Correct Electric Inc. for Deadbolt Door System for the Village Maintenance building. The system would use a code for each person. There would also be a monthly monitoring fee of \$45.00 for service which would log anyone entering. Once all bugs are worked out, the garage door remotes will be collected. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve Resolution 2022-36, the deadbolt door system. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Approving Park Playground Improvements to Centennial Park. The cost will be approximately \$12,000.00 for additional parts and installation assistance from the representative. He will work with maintenance on getting the parts more organized and parts ordering if needed. Tom Wehner motioned to approve Resolution 2022-37. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Ron Schmoker questioned the need for a trailer variance through the Zoning Board of Appeals. He feels village codes regarding this do not apply to his trailer as it has no bathroom and no one will be living in it. He stated this would be temporary and only used for band purposes when he has a band playing. Attorney Burton stated this is how the village enforces trailers in town with limitations on the length of time they are allowed. Attorney Burton stated Ron would need a variance for the trailer sitting there for longer than thirty days in a six-month period which would also give neighbors the opportunity to have a say on the matter. Mr. Schmoker then brought up the Smoking Act. He stated that Chief Bergeron is smoking in the village vehicle. Mayor Strothman stated that she has spoken with the Chief regarding this and taken care of the situation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dayle Thibault inquired on her camper that she parks in her driveway for winter storage not being allowed. Jamie Skalic replied if you are not living in it.

Josh Ewing stated that the monument set in 2003 in front of Village Hall was set there to remind us to better our town.

Marlene Woodward asked Jeff Wilhelm to look at South Bushnell Street, from Park Street south, when taking into consideration the next streets project.

Wendy Greenrod would also like West Park Avenue taken into consideration for street work to correct the water issues she has had. They have taken sidewalks out to try correcting the issues. She will be She is also having her soil tested this year and checking the road salt to see if that is an issue with her grass not growing.

Don McNelis asked for another \$10,000.00 to the Community Club for the Sesquicentennial Celebration The board approved and a check will be cut this week.

Mike Mott showed concerns of Dollar General trucks traveling down Park Avenue. They are getting lost going out of town on residential streets. He stated they had done \$3,000.00 worth of damages to the American Legion after recently getting lost in town. He also mentioned several potholes near the laundromat. James Helling stated he would be taking care of those once Ameren completed work with the telephone poles in the area.

There being no further business, Jeff Wilhelm motioned to adjourn the meeting. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Grimwood
Village Clerk