

Minutes of the October 3, 2022, Regular Board Meeting of Sherman Township

The regular scheduled meeting of the Sherman Township Board was held on Tuesday October 3, 2022, at 7:00 pm, in the meeting room of the township hall. Meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Smalligan at 7:00 pm. After the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken and members present were Karen Berens, Doug Berens, Stan Stroven, Ken Smalligan, and Jamie Kukal.

Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to approve the agenda as presented. All approved, motion passed.

Motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to accept the minutes from the September 6, 2022, regular meeting with corrections. All approved, motion passed.

There was no public comment at this time.

Treasurer-Berens presented her report of outgoing funds highlighting the bill for the auditor, and the ARPA payment for improvements; \$1,800 for Wainwright painting of the meeting room. \$5,774.34 to Countryside Septic for the new porta johns at the park. \$2,430 to Kukal's Concrete for the pouring of the columbarium foundation. \$23.99 for the flagpole relocating and \$1273.64 for new meeting room chairs. With no questions on her report. Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to accept the Treasurer's report and authorize the paying of bills. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed. Berens also reminded the BOR members of an optional training coming up and reservations are due November 3, 2022.

Clerk-Kukal presented the clerk's report, reminding everyone that she needs any changes for the newsletter ASAP and she will be running the snow removal ad this month.

Supervisor- Smalligan presented his communications for the month. He confirmed that the Crystal Lake Boat Launch had been fixed by the county and looks very nice. For ARPA fund expenditures, he confirmed that the paperwork for the generator warranty had been submitted, the painting and installation of the soundproofing panels were both completed, and he is still working with Will from NCATS on a broadband proposal for the January meeting. For the cemetery updates, Smalligan presented a bid for continuation of the sprinkler system through the newest section at the cost of \$3,546.99. Both treasurer and the clerk felt that those funds should come from the cemetery fund as it was a part of the original expansion plan started before ARPA funds were made available. Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to accept the quote for Sprinkler installation at the cost of \$3,536.99 from the cemetery funds. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed. J Kukal presented three bids for cemetery fence upgrades; From Calton's Lawn Care & Landscaping LLC the bid was \$33,920. From Pro-Line Fencing the bid was \$26,382 with an additional \$2,859 for removal. From Good Neighbor Fence the bid was \$29,650 for 257 more feet of fence then either of the other bids. Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to go with Good Neighbor Fence for the \$29,650 and ask him to extend the footage, on the north and south side to the back of the cleared property at an additional cost. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed. C Kukal is going to look into alternative driveway upgrade options.

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There were no reports from either trustee at this time.

Sexton-Tollefson was not present.

For the Planning zoning commission, Doug Berens reported that they worked on the STR form modifications that the board had requested and the new zoning map at last month's meeting. Berens represented the STR forms for approval. Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to approve the STR forms as presented. All approved, motion passed.

Assessor-Story was not present.

Building inspector-Smalligan reported doing 7 permits and 3 inspections last month. He reminded us that several of the permits were for NCRESA cabins that they build on the school property for placement elsewhere and no zoning permits are needed.

Zoning Administrator-Kukal confirmed the 2 permits for zoning in our township.

For White Cloud Sherman Utilities, Karen Kopolces reported that the board voted to purchase the new truck for the cost of \$42,878. They have formed a personnel committee to update the employee handbook. The main printer has died, and they are working to replace that printer.

For Fremont Fire District, K Berens reported billing \$919.37 and collecting \$1482.34. For White Cloud, Stroven reported that White Cloud will take the full duration of the 20-year loan to pay for their portion of the building after legal advice and he has been appointed to the committee looking into the first responder options.

For new and unfinished business, J Kukal mentioned that the clock in the meeting room doesn't seem to be working well, even with new batteries. Motion was made by K Smalligan and 2nd by D Berens to have the treasure purchase a replacement clock. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed.

For public Comment, Bob Delano asked for clarification on Stan's first responder committee. Stan explained that White Cloud Fire Department is the only unit in Newaygo county without first responders and they are looking into adding them to their department. Al Smalligan questioned the use of a Grand Rapids based company for the printing of our newsletter and both Kukal and Berens responded that it is an Equalization decision that the township has no control over.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Submitted by: Jamie Kukal-Clerk

Visitors present: Gary Smalligan Al Smalligan Jerry Engel Chad Kukal Karen
Kopolces Wayne Berens Dick Chenard Bob Delano

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Sherman Township
Balance Sheet
 As of September 30, 2022

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ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
MASTER ACCOUNT		
101-001 · General Fund cash		219,695.09
203-001 · Mayo Drive cash		16,983.36
220-002 · Robinson Lake Cash		22,611.22
221-001 · Crystal Lake Cash		46,513.86
336-001 · Fire protection millage Fr & WC		4,443.72
Total MASTER ACCOUNT		<u>310,247.25</u>
151-001 · Cemetery cash		3,777.41
202-001 · Road Checking		16,546.99
249-001 · Capital acquisition cash		3,626.29
260-001 · Gerber FCU		
261-336 · Gerber Fire Runs Savings		4,238.54
263-001 · Gerber FCU ARPA Account		186,745.35
Total 260-001 · Gerber FCU		<u>190,983.89</u>
401-001 · Winter Tax Account		2.77
402-002 · Summer Tax Account		41,625.91
Total Checking/Savings		<u>566,810.51</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>566,810.51</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>566,810.51</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		566,810.51