

Village of Sheridan
Board Meeting
October 11, 2021

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The board 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 September 2021 in the amount of \$69,838.34 were presented for approval of payment. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve payment. Tom Wehner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Minutes from the September 2021 meeting were presented for approval. Shelly Figgins motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Shelly Figgins gave the finance report with an ending balance of \$2,065,117.76 which includes the American Rescue Plan funding of \$171,289.70. Tom Wehner motioned to approve the finance report as presented. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Grimwood reminded of the upcoming Fall Clean Up on October 22nd and the next E-Waste pickup at Village Hall on November 13th from 8-12PM.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor Strothman has spoken with a member of MASS Senior Services who has given her brochures of their services. She will revisit a donation to them at next months meeting. She has also been researching further grant funding and will be attending a meeting on November 4th regarding the Community Development Block Grant. She also mentioned the Safe Routes to School Grant application has been submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Jeff Wilhelm, Streets Committee, is working on this year's snow removal plan. He would also like to obtain bids for a clam bucket for brush pickup. He will report at a future meeting.

Darin Naggs, Sewer Committee, stated having more issues with backup on North Bushnell Street. He has concerns of elevation issues with the line and will be working on a solution to the issue.

Jamie Skalic, Zoning Committee, stated having one reroof permit issued for September totaling \$25.00. He also mentioned approving a concrete pad permit for the Sheridan Fire Department and has waived the permit fee.

Tom Wehner, Parks Committee, is currently working on donation for the memorial tree plaques for Centennial Park. He stated the slide has been installed and maintenance is currently working on repairs to the tables. The electrical will need to be repaired in the shelter as well.

Peggy Arneson, Police Committee, gave the police report for September 2021. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the police report as given. Shelly Figgins seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Strothman introduced an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance for the Village of Sheridan, Illinois Regulating Signs in all Districts. Jamie Skalic stated the changes have been approved by the Zoning Board at their hearing on September 27th. Revisions include distinguishing between temporary political signs and political message signs along with electronic signs, which would need a hearing. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-47. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Bid was received from Larry Fleming/The Tree Guy on storm damaged trees for a total of \$11,375.00. Listed trees are for eight removals and eight trims. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve the bid from The Tree Guy for \$11,375.00. Tom Wehner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Chief Bergeron reported having several companies and engineers out to look at the tower. He stated we can no longer secure the tower on the roof as it is. The village has two options, the first being to completely remove the tower from the roof and put a freestanding tower behind the building for a total cost of approximately \$80,000.00. The second option would be to remove several sections of the current tower so no guidelines will be needed and put one of the antennae back up that would be appropriate for the height of the tower. A second antenna would need to be higher. He has been in contact with Sheridan Grade School, who has a new tower, to try connecting our antenna there. He will be attending the next school board meeting to discuss this option. That option would cost approximately \$20,000.00. Engineering and communication technicians have stated this option would work out. An Intergovernmental Agreement would need to be approved between the Sheridan Grade School and the Village of Sheridan for this option as well. He is asking approval from the board to proceed in getting a new tower setup. The roof repair work has also been on hold until the tower issue is resolved. Attorney Burton stated anything over \$25,000.00 would need a bid let. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve Chief Bergeron to proceed with option two, attaching the second antenna to Sheridan Grade School. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Making Appointment of Part Time Snowplow Driver-James Peters. Tom Wehner motioned to approve Resolution 2021-48. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Making Appointment of Part Time Snowplow Driver-Martin Lohse. Tom Wehner motioned to approve Resolution 2021-49. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Approving Bid for Crack Seal Work to Streets. Jeff Wilhelm stated having bid for \$9,600.00 from S.K.C. Construction, Inc. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve Resolution 2021-50. Shelly Figgins seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Approving Renewal of Insurance Coverage and Payment of Annual Contribution to IMLRMA. The total yearly contribution for 2022 will be \$28,064.06 if paid in one installment. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve Resolution 2021-51. Tom Wehner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced an Ordinance Amending Section 12 in Chapter 15 of the Municipal Code of Sheridan Authorizing Service of Alcohol with Food at a Restaurant on Sunday Mornings. She stated this would align with LaSalle County beginning at 8:00AM and would only be allowed with serving of food indoors and not for carry out also they must hold a food service license with LaSalle County. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-52. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Strothman introduced a Resolution Setting Truth in Taxation Law Public Hearing as to Adopt a Tax Levy with more than a 5% Increase. This Resolution is only to approve a hearing next month for a tax increase. Shelly Figgins proposed an increase of Corporate Funds from \$15,638.00 to \$17,000.00, for Police Fund from \$7,818 to \$8,500.00, for Street and Bridge Fund from \$1,046.00 to \$1,200.00, for Liability Insurance Fund from \$27,006.00 to \$28,000.00 and IMRF Fund from \$2,661.00 to \$7,000.00. This would be a potential increase for each individual homeowners' taxes by approximately \$20.78. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve Resolution 2021-53. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. A hearing will be set for November 8, 2021, at 7:00 PM at the next Village Board Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Donley Larson inquired on opening the time capsule next year's Sesquicentennial celebration being planned. He will reach out to Sandy Vahl on this.

Mindy Sweeney stated with changing the liquor pouring time on Sundays, this also turns on gaming machines at that time. She feels this would be unfair to other businesses in town. Gaming would not be turned on until 10:00 AM for those businesses not serving food. Attorney Burton stated the ordinance will grant permission to those holding a Class A liquor license and a LaSalle County Food License the ability to serve alcohol with a sit-down meal beginning at 8:00 AM on Sundays. Mayor Strothman will inquire with the State Gaming Board. The board will revisit this issue.

Dayle Thibault, on behalf of the Community Club, would like permission to host a Christmas Construction themed holiday parade again this year. They would use the same route as last year going from Barr Street to W Si Johnson Avenue and end at Centennial Park with Santa, a tree lighting and a book reading among other events. This event would be held on Friday, December 3rd beginning at 6:00 PM. The board gave approval of the event.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Grimwood
Village Clerk