Minutes of the September 6, 2022, Regular Board Meeting of Sherman Township

The regular scheduled meeting of the Sherman Township Board was held on Tuesday September 6, 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 K Berens and 2nd by D Berens to approve the agenda as presented. All approved, motion passed.

Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to accept the minutes from the August 1, 2022, regular meeting with corrections . All approved, motion passed.

For public comment, Taylor Sheeley, from Brooks Elite Contracting was present to see if the board had considered her previously presented Website proposal. Supervisor-Smalligan said that at this time the township was happy with the website and did not see a need to spend an extra \$4000 a year on a new design and management. Marcy Hansen asked if anyone would object to her cleaning the donation plaque at the cemetery. With no objections voiced, Ken Smalligan thanked Marcy for taking the task on.

For the Mayo Drive SAD, clerk-Kukal read the email correspondence from Aaron Mater, recommending that the SAD stay at \$250. Motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by D Berens to accept the recommendation to keep the Mayo Drive SAD at \$250r. All approved, motion passed.

For the Crystal Lake SAD, Claire Derks presented the recommendation of \$150 per parcel. Motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by J Kukal to accept the recommendation for the Crystal Lake SAD to be \$150. All approved, motion passed.

For Robinson Lake SAD, Daniel Peters presented the recommendation of lakefront parcels at \$177.87, Robinson creek parcels at \$133.40 and unbuildable parcels at \$17.78. Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to accept the recommendation for the Robinson Lake SAD to be lakefront parcels at \$177.87, Robinson creek parcels at \$133.40 and unbuildable parcels at \$17.78. All approved, motion passed. Dan also presented committee members Tim Davis, Dan Peters, Karen Kprolces, Dave Koster, Dale Twing, Tracy Streichirsch, Tony Wedenfeld and Ben Patton for approval. Approval was granted for all members.

Treasurer-Berens presented her report of outgoing funds highlighting that this summer's road project has been paid in full, the cemetery surveying is completed and paid for, and the refrigerator was delivered. Berens also pointed out that Leann had shampooed the meeting room carpet and in the past the board had paid her an extra \$100 for that task. Also, this quarter's revenue sharing check for \$40,385 had arrived. Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by s Stroven to accept the treasurer's report as presented and authorize the payment of bills with the addition of an extra \$100 for carpet cleaning to Leann. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed.

Clerk-Kukal presented the clerk's report, highlighting the auditor working on audit, the newsletter changes needed by the next meeting, and the need to advertise for snowplow bids and open positions.

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Kukal also presented the Workmen's Comp. Insurance renewal for \$1305 for approval. Motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to renew the workmen's compensation insurance for an annual payment of \$1305. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed.

Trustee Stroven commented that the new fridge is working well.

Supervisor- Smalligan presented his communications for the month. The Newaygo County Road Commission had made contact after concerns of the Crystal Lake boat launch eroding and they are going to fix it. For the ARPA fund expenditures, the acoustic panels have arrived and will be installed after the meeting room is painted. Smalligan provided an estimate from Norm Wainwright to repaint the meeting room at the cost of \$1,800. Motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by D Berens to accept the bid for painting the meeting room at the cost of \$1,800. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed. Stan Stroven presented prices for new chairs and tables to replace those that have been broken. Lowes will give a 25% discount on bulk orders, so the board asked Stroven to look into 50 of the folding chairs and represent his findings next month.

For the broadband, Smalligan is working with Will from NCATS on a more specific bid and Will plans to present that at the January meeting. For the cemetery improvements, Kukal has yet to receive any bids for fencing and is tabled until next month.

For the Planning zoning commission, Doug Berens presented the STR permit application and rules for review. They will be double checked for changes or corrections and presented next month for approval. The sub-committee has been working with Mr. Coffey on the zoning map revisions and hope to present it next month also.

Assessor-Story was not present.

Building inspector-Smalligan reported doing 3 permits and 5 inspections last month.

Zoning Administrator-Kukal confirmed the 3 permits.

Sexton-Tollefson reported that Crandall's Funeral Home has 30 unclaimed cremations, after COVID19 and they would like to put all 30 in a vault on one of their owned lots. Supervisor-Smalligan will stop in and get all the details. Tollefson confirmed that the survey is complete, and the sprinklers can go in. Stroven and Kukal looked at the area for the columbarium and feel that cement will cost between \$2,000 and \$2,500. Stroven feels the columbarium may be delivered yet this fall. Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to hire Kukal's Concrete to get started on the columbarium base for up to \$2,500. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed.

There was nothing to report for White Cloud Sherman Utilities due to the holiday and no meeting yet.

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For Fremont Fire District, K Berens reported billing \$1,104.44 and collecting \$707.21. For White Cloud, Stroven reported that truck # 1811 has to have the pump rebuilt.

For new and unfinished business, J Kukal presented the addition of \$425 for the cost of bump post and paint and extra concrete to the bill for the park bathroom project. Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to approve the addition of \$425 to pay the bill for the park bathroom project. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, Ken Smalligan and J Kukal No; none Motion passed. Chad Kukal recommended the removal of the dilapidated picnic tables from the park with the intent to replace them with new options in the spring. All agreed and Kukal will remove them.

For public Comment, Jerry Engels questioned Crandall's intent with the unclaimed ashes and would like more clarification. Smalligan will present the details next month.

For board comment, Stroven presented that the Crystal Lake Authority would like the board to consider applying for a DNR grant for a boat washing station. Stroven also suggested having different pricing for the levels or zones on the columbarium and a larger space to enter parcel numbers on the STR permit form.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm

Submitted by: Jamie Kukal-Clerk

Visitors present:

Gary Smalligan Dan Peters Jenne Bapp Taylor Sheeley Vonda Tollefson Jerry Engel Rory Mayra Chad Kukal Al Smalligan Marce Hansen Clair Derks

Sherman Township Balance Sheet As of August 31, 2022

	Aug 31, 22	:
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
MASTER ACCOUNT		
101-001 · General Fund cash	193,963.88	
203-001 · Mayo Drive cash	16,983.36	
220-002 · Robinson Lake Cash	24,072.82	
221-001 · Crystal Lake Cash	48,188.86	
336-001 · Fire protection millage Fr & WC	4,443.72	
Total MASTER ACCOUNT	287,652.64	
151-001 · Cemetery cash	6,043.87	
202-001 · Road Checking	76,002.28	
249-001 · Capital acquistion cash	3,626.29	
260-001 · Gerber FCU		
261-336 · Gerber Fire Runs Savings	3,235.89	
263-001 · Gerber FCU ARPA Account	201,510.49	
Total 260-001 · Gerber FCU	204,746.38	
401-001 · Winter Tax Account	2.77	
402-002 · Summer Tax Account	64,286.42	
Total Checking/Savings	642,360.65	
Total Current Assets	642,360.65	
TOTAL ASSETS	642,360.65	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	642,360.65	