

Minutes of the July 1, 2024, Regular Board Meeting of Sherman Township

The regular scheduled meeting of the Sherman Township Board was held on Monday July 1, 2024, at 7:00 pm, in the meeting room of the township hall. The 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 S Stroven and 2nd by K Berens to approve the agenda as presented. All approved, motion passed.

Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to approve the minutes from June 3, 2024, with corrections. All approved, motion passed.

For public comment, Michelle Klompstra asked for an update on the Goody Drive violation issue and Ken responded that the Lawyer is handling it and there is no update at this time.

Ed Canning and Harry Stevens represented White Cloud Public Schools presenting the August 6, 2024, Bond Proposal for Millage renewal. If approved by voters, the White Cloud debt millage rate is projected to remain the same as the current levy with no tax-rate increase expected to property owners.

Bob Mendham spoke of his campaign for reelection as Newaygo County Sheriff highlighting his 33 years of experience and a list of his accomplishments as sheriff. Opposing candidate, Adam Mercer spoke of his desire to be elected as Newaygo County Sheriff, highlighting his years of service and goals to increase community engagement and rebuild the relationships between state, county and local agencies.

Stewart Sanders spoke of his campaign for reelection as Newaygo County Register of Deeds, highlighting his 10 years of service and his efforts to bring public record retention to the digital age and fraud protection. Opposing candidate, Kelly Pangburn spoke of her desire to be elected as Newaygo County Register of Deeds, highlighting her 30 years of experience in the Real Estate industry. She shared her concerns with the lack of online accessibility for public filings and funding depletion.

Jason Vanderstelt spoke of his campaign for reelection as Newaygo County Clerk, highlighting his 8 years of experience and accomplishments.

Treasurer-Berens presented her report of outgoing funds, highlighting the fact that most monthly billing has not arrived due to the earlier meeting this month. The final road bill came in under the proposed budget for the project and a Revenue sharing check was received for \$34,931. With no questions on the report a motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to accept the report and authorize the paying of the bills. Roll call vote was taken. Yes: K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal No: none. Motion passed.

Clerk-Kukal presented her clerk's report highlighting the election prep and insurance renewal questionnaire she has been working on. With no questions on her report, she went on to present the list of election precinct inspectors for approval. The motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to approve the list as presented. All approved, motion passed. The public accuracy test, for the August election is scheduled for July 15, 2024, at 6 pm.

There was nothing from trustees at this time.

Supervisor-Smalligan did not have anything for communications at this time. For the Robinson Lake SAD Committee update, he reported that the committee sent representatives to Grace Adventures to speak with

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them about the assessments levied for the Shack properties and it did not go well ending in a potential FOIA request situation. Ken is recommending a call to Cliff for advice on switching to a Lake Residential Board vs a SAD committee. At this point there are a few options left with the time frame.

K Smalligan is concerned with the wasted energy spent on running the air conditioner in the meeting room when renters leave it turned way down. He would like to see locks purchased for the thermostats. It was agreed to give Vonda a few months to monitor the boxes before looking into locks.

The Crystal Lake Park Pavilion is up and looks great, however the space left for consideration of signage on the end of the building is smaller than ideal. So Smalligan is proposing moving forward with the replacement of the current sign for the previously presented bid price of \$220 from the Print Shop. A motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to allow the treasure to draw a check of \$220 for the Print Shop to order the sign. Roll call vote was taken. Yes: K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal No: none. Motion passed.

For the Cemetery, Sexton-Tollefson reported that all is quiet at the cemetery. S Stroven reported back on the leaning flagpole issue and had a donated sleeve that he felt would resolve the issue. He will get with Chad and work on getting it reset. For the issue of the hall rental and renter's access, J Kukal is going to adjust the wording to more clearly define the availability.

Assessor-Story was not present. July BOR is scheduled for July 16, 2024, at 11 am.

Planning commission representative-Berens reported that the last meeting discussed an area on the map that was overlooked with the last update, so new maps will be coming and there was a ZBA hearing on June 18th and the variance was granted.

Building inspector-Smalligan presented his report indicating 8 permits, 1 extension and 6 inspections last month.

Zoning Administrator-Kukal confirmed the permits issued last.

For White Cloud Sherman Utilities, Karen Kopolces reported on the election of new offices, where she was elected as Vice and Wayne as secretary.

For Fremont Fire District, K Berens reported billing \$3,210.8 and collecting \$0 for the month. For White Cloud, S Stroven reported that they are accepting bids on the replacement flooring.

For new or unfinished business, C Kukal recommended considering new options for the old retaining wall at the park and he will work to secure the picnic tables.

There were no board member comments.

There was no public comment at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm

Submitted by: Jamie Kukal-Clerk

Visitors present:	Wayne Berens	Brett Derks	Gary Smalligan
	Chad Kukal	Vonda Tollefson	Bob Mendham
	Stewart Sanders	Jason Vanderstelt	Harry Stevens
	Ed Canning	Michelle Klompstra	Karen Kopolces

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Mark Kukal

Kelly Pangburn

Daniel Peters

Adam Mercer

Jamie Kukal, Sherman Township Clerk

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2024

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
MASTER ACCOUNT	
101-001 · General Fund cash	301,119.13
203-001 · Mayo Drive cash	26,298.89
220-002 · Robinson Lake Cash	25,687.36
221-001 · Crystal Lake Cash	52,118.86
336-001 · Fire protection millage Fr & WC	18,013.48
Total MASTER ACCOUNT	<u>423,237.72</u>
151-001 · Cemetery cash	5,244.78
202-001 · Road Checking	71,161.93
249-001 · Capital acquisition cash	3,626.29
260-001 · Gerber FCU	
261-336 · Gerber Fire Runs Savings	1,024.06
263-001 · Gerber FCU ARPA Account	6,659.13
Total 260-001 · Gerber FCU	<u>7,683.19</u>
401-001 · Winter Tax Account	667.67
402-002 · Summer Tax Account	8,844.42
Total Checking/Savings	<u>520,466.00</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>520,466.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>520,466.00</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>520,466.00</u>