

Village of Sheridan  
Board Meeting  
May 8, 2023

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, Jamie Skalic, and Darin Naggs. Jeff Wilhelm was absent.

Bills from April 2023 in the amount of \$19,026.91 were presented for approval of payment. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve payment of the bills as presented. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting minutes from April 2023 were presented for approval. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Wehner gave the finance report for April 2023 with an ending balance of \$2,308,625.87. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the finance report as presented. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk Grimwood reminded of the upcoming town clean up Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. She also announced the Community Club Cruise Night Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-8PM downtown. She will also be asking all appointees to complete the yearly sexual harassment training and return forms to Village Hall.

The MFT Compliance Review recently completed by IDOT for May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2022 was given to the board for review. Clerk Grimwood will file paperwork.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Wehner read the resignation of Shelly Figgins sent to Village Hall. He expressed his gratitude to her for 15 years of service and dedication to Sheridan and for her assistance in his transition to the mayoral position. He thanked Jamie Skalic for his 4 years of service to Sheridan's Zoning Board. He then thanked Peggy Arneson and presented her with a gift from the village for her 26 years of service on the board and being very instrumental to our zoning board, Veterans Memorial, and Police Department over the years. Mayor Wehner went on to state that Hamilton Engineering would be merging with Environmental Design International, Inc. beginning June 1, 2023. This merge will not affect changes to staff.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jeff Wilhelm, Streets Committee, was absent.

Darin Naggs, Sewer Committee, had no new issues to report.

Jamie Skalic, Zoning Committee, had 3 permits issued in April for a concrete patio, one fence and one reroof for a total of \$175.70. He mentioned an upcoming hearing yet to be scheduled next month regarding a special use for a solar farm.

Peggy Arneson, Police Committee, gave the police report. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the police report as presented. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. Chief Bergeron stated Karl Eccles was in his second week of training in the police academy and should be graduating and

ready to begin working the second week of August. He also mentioned a training class on explosives that was held at the fire department April 18-20 with many officers from other states and surrounding areas present.

Mayor Wehner, Parks Committee, stated the park was finally completed. He thanked Shelly and Rob Figgins for this addition. He thanked everyone that volunteered to get this completed for our youth.

New Trustees Pam Carlson, Marlene Woodward and Judy Hinterlong were sworn into office.

Tom Wehner was again sworn into the mayoral position to complete the two years remaining on the term. New trustees took their seats.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Darin Naggs stated that he spoke with Rick Nickel, Building Inspector regarding the Historical Society expansion. Rick will only need to see new electrical outlets and if furnace is moved. He was meeting with contractor Andy Laesch this coming weekend regarding the expansion and will have an updated bid next month. This will be tabled until then.

Darin Naggs reached out and found an architect willing to draw up his plans and approve of such for roughly \$1,000.00. He has also spoken with Rick Nickel regarding the need for an architect's approval to proceed with the salt shed. Darin would like to proceed using his architect. The proposed resolution will be changed according to who Darin has selected to complete the approved drawings needed for the building permit from Rick Nickel. Darin Naggs motioned to approve Resolution 2023-13, for the reconsideration of architect as amended by Darin. Marlene Woodward seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. Darin mentioned three bids received on the salt shed construction being Muffler Concrete for \$14,500.00 plus excavation through Midwest Dirt Works for \$3,900.00, bid from Hawley Concrete for \$17,075.00 plus excavation for \$3,080.00, and Knoebel Concrete bid for \$22,000.00 plus excavation of \$2,500.00. He also stated having received a bid from Andy Laesch for \$12,000.00 for walls, roof trusses with an 18' by 11' opening with steel roof and steel walls. He will send all to architect to draw up the plans for submission to the building inspector for approval. Marlene Woodward motioned to approve using Muffler Concrete and Midwest Dirt Works including carpentry work from Andy Laesch for the salt shed project. Pam Carlson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. Judy Hinterlong inquired on when we would receive the monies back from our previous down payment. Attorney Burton stated that a suit has been filed against them for this. They have just been served papers.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Wehner introduced a Resolution approving Annual Appointments. He mentioned the new members added to the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission-Tami Johnson and Jack Harris had been added today. Marlene Woodward motioned to approve Resolution 2023-14, Annual Appointments. Judy Hinterlong seconded the motion. All were in Favor. Motion Carried. New Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission members Tami Johnson and Jack Harris were sworn in.

Mayor Wehner introduced a Resolution Making Annual Committee Appointments. He announced the Chair of all committees; Police Committee-Pam Carlson, Streets Committee-Darin Naggs, Sewer Committee-Jeff Wilhelm, Parks Committee-Judy Hinterlong, Finance Committee-Marlene Woodward, and Zoning Committee chair is open. He asked anyone interested in the position to reach out to himself or

Clerk Grimwood and he would speak with them regarding the position. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve Resolution 2023-15, Annual Committee appointments. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Attorney Burton announced a Public Hearing for the Appropriation Ordinance. There were no comments regarding the budget appropriation. The hearing was closed.

Mayor Wehner introduced the Annual Appropriation Ordinance. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve Ordinance 2023-16, the Appropriation Ordinance. Pam Carlson seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken:

Pam Carlson-yes

Judy Hinterlong-yes

Darin Naggs-yes

Marlene Woodward-yes

Jeff Wilhelm was absent.

Motion Carried.

Mayor Wehner introduced a Resolution Authorizing Street Closing and Variance from Municipal Code Restrictions for Bean Bag Tournament. Tara Kowalski, Corner Tap, had previously requested this and was approved at the April board meeting. Marlene Woodward motioned to approve Resolution 2023-17, Resolution closing street for beanbag tournament. Judy Hinterlong seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Wehner introduced a Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code for use of \$249,450.00 of MFT funds for 2023 street work. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve Resolution 2023-18, using MFT Funds. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Wehner introduced a Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code for use of \$31,491.10 of Rebuild Illinois funding for 2023 street work. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve Resolution 2023-19, using Rebuild Illinois funds. Pam Carlson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Wehner introduced a Resolution Approving Annual Sidewalk Plan. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve Resolution 2023-20 to proceed with 2023 sidewalk work. Marlene Woodward seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Linda Zirzow requested again for the tree removal on S Barr Street. Pam Carlson agreed as this is in front of her home. This will be added for removal this year. Mike Mott also mentioned the tree in front of his residence on Park Avenue. Michael Morel stated the tree had two dead limbs which could be removed but felt it was a good tree otherwise. Wendy Greenrod stated the homeowner at that residence should also be contacted for permission regarding this. Mayor Wehner has previously stated the village will notify homeowners regarding any tree work being done in town.

Patty Bublitz thanked Darin Naggs for taking initiative and finding a cheaper architect and saving the town money for the salt shed plans.

Ron Schmoker inquired on vacating Plum Street. Mayor Wehner stated this would be added to the June agenda to complete. He also thanked Mr. Schmoker for his help with the playground installation and his many contributions to the town.

Tami Johnson requested speed zone flashing lights to the south of town, by Mission Township for the next school year. Darin Naggs felt the need for better enforcement there and tickets to be issued. Kevin Bublitz agreed. Mayor Wehner agreed. Kevin Bublitz commented on having this area patrolled more by law enforcement.

Patty Bublitz felt the state or county should have paid for the school zone flashing lights purchased by the village. Mayor Wehner stated not having an issue paying for these to help keep our children safe.

Ron Schmoker stated his architect had become ill and had been unable to complete his permit drawings in a timely manner. He will get this turned in soon.

Kevin Bublitz stated there is a 5th wheel in a driveway at Pleasant Street and Beardsley Street that is connected to power and water. He inquired what the ordinance stated regarding this. Drivers are unable to see around the intersection with this there. Mayor Wehner will have this looked into.

Judy Hinterlong asked permission for the Sheridan Garden Club to use the pavilion at Centennial Park on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 1-3PM for a plant exchange. The board had no issues with this.

There being no further business, Judy Hinterlong motioned to adjourn the meeting. Darin Naggs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Grimwood  
Village Clerk