

Village of Sheridan
Board Meeting
April 12, 2021
Sheridan American Legion/Webex

A question-and-answer meeting was held at 6:30PM prior to the board meeting with prospective bidders for the upcoming garbage contract with Clerk Grimwood and Attorney Burton. There were 3 companies represented asking various questions regarding the bid package. Environmental Recycling & Disposal asked for a copy of the tonnage for the past year. Clerk Grimwood will email this to him tomorrow. Bids will be opened May 10th at 12:00PM at Village Hall. This will be open to the public.

The meeting began at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The board then met on the above date with the following members present: Peggy Arneson, Jamie Skalic, Maggie Strothman, Judy Hinterlong and Jeff Wilhelm. Jay Waldvogel was present via Webex.

Bills in the amount of \$67,756,48 were presented for approval of payment. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve payment. Maggie Strothman seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Minutes from the March 2021 meeting were presented for approval. Judy Hinterlong motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Judy Hinterlong gave the finance report with an ending balance of \$1,552,844.47. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve the finance report as presented. Jay Waldvogel seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk Grimwood announced the Townwide Garage Sales will be Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 8-4PM and Town Cleanup Day would be May 7th. She declined reading resident correspondence that the board had previously asked for due to the number of emails and the content of them being very inappropriate, all from one resident. She also stated that there have been over 150 emails over the past 7 months from this resident between the mayors and the clerks email accounts, none of which are nice. She has been told the emails will cease and wishes to all move forward together and focus on the betterment of Sheridan. Mayor Figgins read a letter from Jason Crose who was unable to attend regarding the shooting incident on March 16th. In the letter he thanked the responding officer and Chief Bergeron for a job well done along with condolences to the family of Greg and Brenda Barnes.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Figgins reported reaching out to the property owner with an offer of \$5,000.00 to purchase the land on the 200 block of W Si Johnson Ave. His reply was a flat out no with no counteroffer. She stated having switched the \$200,000.00 CD at the Sheridan Bank to a 22-month CD with .45% interest rate as opposed to the 91 day at .1%. She has finally received a partial agreement with the railroad regarding the crossings at Robinson Street and Bushnell Street, hopefully this will begin soon. She mentioned two positions open with the Village of Sheridan being a maintenance position and the crossing guard position. Lastly, with Jay Waldvogel becoming Mayor there will be a vacancy for his board seat for a two year term. He would like anyone interested in the position to send in letters of interest to the Village Hall. He will decide on a replacement for his vacant board seat at the May meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Jeff Wilhelm, Streets Committee, stated mowing has begun for the season. He is reviewing this year's street work he would like to accomplish this year with Hamilton Engineering. He would like to repair N Barr Street and Sheridan Avenue along with other street work this year. James Helling, maintenance, is repairing holes and ruts made by the SWAT team when they drove down Church Street last month. He is also working on gravel cleanup at Sheridan Grade School.

Maggie Strothman, Sewer Committee, had no report.

Jamie Skalic, Zoning Committee, stated having 1 reroof permit and 1 inground pool permit issued in March for a total of \$193.10.

Jay Waldvogel, Parks Committee, would like to purchase mulch for Centennial Park and the Veteran's Memorial.

Peggy Arneson, Police Committee, gave the police report for March 2021. Peggy Arneson motioned to approve the police report as presented. Judy Hinterlong seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. Chief Bergeron stated the new squad was ready for pickup. It will still be 6-8 weeks before all additions are installed then the police committee would meet to decide what to do with the 2012 Impala and bring back to the board. He brought up the incident on Church Street and clarified some details from Jason Crose's letter stating that our responding officer did not know about the shots being fired at the home upon arrival. Chief Bergeron has been in discussion with the sheriff and 911 coordinator over this. He explained what occurred through that night and feels with having an officer on duty that five lives were saved.

OLD BUSINESS:

A second opinion has been received from Olsson Roofing for the roof at the Village Hall/Police Department. They recommended either a temporary repair at a cost of \$10,725.00 which they felt would last another 5-7 years or a complete tear off and replacement at a cost of \$79,497.00. Jeff Wilhelm would like to see full replacement done. Jay Waldvogel agreed. The board will work on preparing a bid packet for this replacement with the help of Hamilton Consulting Engineers.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jeff Wilhelm would like to purchase a backup bell and weight box for the new tractor at a cost of \$836.24. He motioned to approve the purchase. Maggie Strothman seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried. He also stated the tractor has two recalls that will be repaired at the time of installation of the backup bell by AHW, LLC.

Mayor Figgins asked the board their thoughts on planting a tree in memory of Al Rucker who passed away on April 1, 2021. Al was a big part of the Village of Sheridan at one time and the village would like to honor him, possibly planting the tree near the parking lot for Centennial Park and the Robert Rowe Library. Jay Waldvogel mentioned adding a plaque along with the tree. Judy Hinterlong motioned to spend up to \$400.00 for a tree and plaque in Al's honor. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Judy Hinterlong announced a benefit on May 15, 2021 for the family of Greg and Brenda Barnes. She asked the board for a donation to the benefit. Any money raised that is not needed will be further donated to the Sheridan American Legion, the Alzheimer's Association, and the Sheridan Historical Society. Jay

Waldvogel motioned to approve \$500.00 for a donation to the Barnes Benefit. Jamie Skalic seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Figgins introduced a Resolution Proclaiming May 2021 Motorcycle Awareness Month. Jeff Wilhelm motioned to approve Resolution 2021-09, a Resolution Proclaiming May 2021 Motorcycle Awareness Month. Peggy Arneson seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken:

Jeff Wilhelm-Yes

Judy Hinterlong-Yes

Maggie Strothman-Yes

Jamie Skalic-Yes

Jay Waldvogel-Yes

Peggy Arneson-Yes

All in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Figgins introduced a Resolution Authorizing Village President to Enter Agreement for Mosquito Larvicide with LaSalle County Health Department. Jamie Skalic motioned to approve Resolution 2021-10, a Resolution Authorizing Village President to Enter Agreement for Mosquito Larvicide with LaSalle County Health Department. Maggie Strothman seconded the motion. A Roll Call Vote was taken:

Jeff Wilhelm-Yes

Judy Hinterlong-Yes

Maggie Strothman-Yes

Jamie Skalic-Yes

Jay Waldvogel-Yes

Peggy Arneson-Yes

All in favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Figgins introduced a Resolution Adopting Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022. She mentioned budget percentages for revenues, a slight drop in sales tax revenue, employee raises at 3% increase for employees, also added addition for another full-time officer if approved by police committee and board. She also stated not having budgeted for a full roof repair for Village Hall/Police Department. She will make changes and bring before the board in May for final approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Larry Ryg, with the Sheridan American Legion, requested to host the annual Nina Lecuyer 5K marathon on Memorial Day again this year using the same route as always. They would have their own spotters along the path. The board had no objections. He also inquired on replacing the sign at the Sheridan United Methodist Church to a digital one. Attorney Burton stated there are zoning codes that would need to be followed regarding such. He will call Larry on this. The board would like to waive any permit fees regarding the sign if allowed.

Wendy Greenrod brought up a resident on Park Avenue is currently parking a tow truck on their property which is against our zoning code. Chief Bergeron will notify them of the need for a variance petition to park.

Attorney Burton stated a continuance on the CCDD sites after the status review hearing on March 23, 2021 to August 23, 2021. He mentioned monitoring wells have been installed. He assumes some data collection will be done prior to any IEPA would take action.

Pam Carlson inquired on whether the straw blanket covering the new grass seed put in last fall on Church Street and Barr Street would be able to be removed. Jeff Wilhelm stated will send maintenance over to inspect and possibly remove.

Judy Hinterlong asked the board for a donation to the Baseball League again this year. Jay Waldvogel motioned to approve a \$200.00 donation to the Serena Baseball League for \$200.00. Jeff Wilhelm seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

There being no further business, Jeff Wilhelm motioned to adjourn the meeting. Judy Hinterlong seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Grimwood
Village Clerk