

# Sherman Township Regular Meeting

## March 21, 2023

### Minutes

-Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Supervisor John Jurgensen

-Board Members present: Supervisor John Jurgensen, Treasurer Jean Jurgensen, Clerk Kay Whalen & Trustee Sarah Paisley & Trustee Ron Grabowski.

-Pledge of Allegiance & prayer.

### Announcement/Correspondence

-Supervisor Jurgensen announced that the Gladwin Special School Election will be held May 2, 2023 at the Sacred Heart Building in Gladwin. Absentee ballot applications are still available from the Sherman Township Clerk. Ballots are to be returned in the enclosed envelope to the Gladwin County Clerk's Office.

### County Reports/Special Guests

-Mike Visnaw, County Commissioner, reported that an approval was made to replace 5 obsolete tasers (currently in use) and Correction Staff radios for the County Sheriff's office. The Board of Commissioners also approved an extension to be on the August Ballot for the MSU millage that helps support 4-H in Gladwin. Commissioner Visnaw announced that funds to fight opioid use will be received from the state and that the commission is continuing talks regarding a Juvenile Facility. There is a possibility that the Commissioners will approve a millage to be on a ballot sometime in the near future to build a new jail.

### Public Comment

-None.

### Minutes

-The minutes for March were presented and Trustee Paisley made a motion to accept the minutes and Treasurer Jean Jurgensen supported. All AYES. M/C

-Special Sherman Township Board Meeting 3/9/23 Minutes were also presented. Treasurer Jurgensen made a motion to accept and Trustee Sarah Paisley supported. ALL AYES. M/C

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### **Warrants**

-The warrants were presented and Supervisor Jurgensen made a motion to accept the warrants. Trustee Ron Grabowski supported. ALL AYES. M/C

### **Clerk's Report**

-Clerk Whalen spoke briefly about the upcoming Special School Election (5/2/23). Supervisor Jurgensen made a motion to accept the Clerk's report and Trustee Ron Grabowski supported. ALL AYES. M/C

### **Treasurer's Report**

-Treasurer Jean Jurgensen presented her financial report and announced that only a low percentage of taxes were still outstanding. There were no questions regarding her report. Treasurer Jurgensen also attended this month's Hazardous Mitigation meeting. Clerk Kay Whalen made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Trustee Sarah Paisley supported. ALL AYES. M/C

### **Trustee's Report**

-Trustee Ron Grabowski presented the report on the Gladwin Rural Urban Fire District meeting this past month. Trustee Grabowski announced that the Fire Department has someone interested in purchasing one of their decommissioned trucks.  
-Supervisor Jurgensen made a motion to accept the Trustees report and Treasurer Jurgensen supported. ALL AYES. M/C

### **Supervisor's Report**

-Supervisor John Jurgensen reported that 3 bids for the building contract of the Township Extension are in the works and are to be returned no later than 4/1/23 (there might be a possible 4<sup>th</sup> bid). A Special Board Meeting is scheduled APRIL 6, 2023 @ 6:30PM to discuss the bids.  
-Supervisor Jurgensen reported that the spring Board of Review was held last week with the new Board of Review members. Supervisor Jurgensen said that everything went smoothly with all members being well informed of their duties, and there were no complaints. Clerk Whalen made a motion to accept the Supervisor's report and Trustee Ron Grabowski supported. ALL AYES. M/C

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## **Assessor Report**

-None

## **Blight Report**

-Supervisor Jurgensen reported that Blight Officer, Jon Freier-Woods will return at the beginning of April. There is no report at this time.

## **Old Business**

- Supervisor Jurgensen reported that we have not yet heard back regarding reimbursement from the Security Grant Fund for the Clerk's new printer/laptop.
- Supervisor Jurgensen announced that the Board was requested to re-submit new Par Plan Grant paperwork as the previous copy was never received. The Board held a Special Meeting 3/9/23 to approve the re-submission and Supervisor Jurgensen confirmed that it was received by email. The grants will be announced after April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Supervisor John Jurgensen presented the Board with the final draft of the architect's drawing for the Township Extension.

## **New Business**

- Clerk Whalen presented information received from the County Clerk Meeting that all Townships involved in the upcoming School Election (5/2/23) are required to have a secured, government approved Election Box in place before the May Election; including a security camera focused on the Election Box. After much discussion, Supervisor Jurgensen made a motion to pre-approve the purchase of the box and camera. A Vote was taken of the Board and there were 3 votes FOR the approval of purchase and 2 votes AGAINST. M/C Both the Supervisor & Clerk agreed to independently contact the Bureau of Elections for further instructions in hopes to postpone making these purchases until the State provides the Election Box for installation without charge to the Township.
- Treasurer Jean Jurgensen went over the Budget Adjustments that needed to be made in order to keep our budget in balance. Supervisor Jurgensen made a motion to approve the adjustments with Trustee Sarah Paisley supporting. ALL AYES. M/C
- Supervisor Jurgensen announced two Special Meeting Dates: April 6, 2023 @ 6:30Pm to discuss bids and May 11, 2023 @ 6:30PM for a budget workshop.

## **Additions to the Agenda**

-None

## **Special Township Regular Meeting / March 21, 2023**

### **Adjournment**

-Supervisor John Jurgensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Clerk Kay Whalen supported. Meeting adjourned at 7:25PM. All AYES. M/C