

Sherman Township Regular Meeting

November 21, 2023

Minutes

- Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Supervisor John Jurgensen
- Board Members present: Supervisor John Jurgensen, Treasurer Jean Jurgensen, Clerk Kay Whalen, Trustee Sarah Paisley & Trustee Ron Grabowski.

Announcement/Correspondence

- Supervisor John Jurgensen reported there will be a Board of Review meeting on DECEMBER 12, 2023 @ 6:30pm for errors, veterans and poverty exemptions.
- Supervisor Jurgensen reported that our garbage service will switch over to GFL as of January 1, 2023.

County Reports/Special Guests

- County Commissioner, Mike Visnaw, reported that the Board of Commissioners elected a new County Administrator Assistant, Melanie Thume.
- Commissioner Visnaw also reported that the Board is currently working on the 2024 budget.
- Commissioner Visnaw announced that the county had considered outsourcing the management of the jail but ultimately voted against it.
- Commissioner Visnaw reported that the County is now required to insure the dams within its area; Secord, Smallwood, & Edenville dams.
- Commissioner Visnaw discussed the new law recently passed regarding Wind & Solar farms. He reported that the new law says that the State will have entire control on the approval/placement of Wind & Solar farms. Local zoning will not be able to make these decisions. There are currently 2400 acres in Butman Township under contract.

Public Comment

- None

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-Supervisor Jurgensen presented the minutes from last month's minutes and Trustee Sarah Paisley moved to accept and Treasurer Jean Jurgensen supported. All AYES: M/C

Warrants

-Supervisor Jurgensen Presented November Warrants and Trustee Sarah Paisley moved to accept and Supervisor Jurgensen Supported. All AYES: M

Clerk's Report

-Clerk Whalen reported that the Special Election held 11/7/23 went smoothly and asked if anyone was interested in working the Presidential 2024 Elections to please contact her.

-Clerk Whalen announced that anyone in the Township interested in running for one of the Board positions next year can pick up a packet that - contains necessary paperwork and instructions.

-Clerk Whalen reported that the paperwork for the Security Grant toward the purchase of a security camera for the Voter Box had been mailed.

-Supervisor Jurgensen made a motion to accept the Clerk's Report and Treasurer Jean Jurgensen supported. All AYES: M/C

Treasurer's Report

-Treasurer Jurgensen provided her monthly financial report of Township funds. There were no questions.

-Treasurer Jurgensen noted a purchase of a new township laptop for the treasurer. Even though the laptop has 16 GB/1 TB of memory, Microsoft requires a monthly subscription of \$1.99 for One Drive memory. Microsoft documents would not function without the purchase of this monthly subscription.

-Treasurer Jurgensen reported that the Township's CD's have been renewed in the last few months and have rate of 5.13%, 5.23%, and 5.23%.

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-Clerk Whalen made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Trustee Sarah Paisley supported. All AYES: M/C

Trustee's Report

-As Trustee Ron Grabowski was absent this month, Supervisor Jurgensen handed out the report of the Gladwin Rural Urban Fire District meeting.

-Treasurer Jurgensen made a motion to accept the Trustee's Report and Clerk Kay Whalen supported. All AYES: M/C

Supervisor Report

-Supervisor Jurgensen reported that he had received the assessment paperwork for the work to be done on Round Lake Drain.

-Supervisor Jurgensen announced that he had recently received the Gladwin County Road Commission budget along with the request for the Township's brining dates. He requested the same days as in previous years; soon after MEMORIAL DAY & 4TH OF JULY.

-Clerk Whalen made a motion to accept the Supervisor's report and Trustee Sarah Paisley supported. All AYES: M/C

Assessor's Report

-Assessor Corey Cuddie announced that she had received 3 permits to build on Oberlin Road. One house is currently under construction.

Blight Report

-Blight Officer John Freier answered questions regarding the latest update on the Blight Report.

Old Business

-Supervisor Jurgensen announced that the Township will receive up to \$2500 from the PAR Plan Grant which will be used toward the purchase and installation of security cameras at the Hall.

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-Supervisor Jurgensen asked the Clerk if there was an update on the Voter Box and she answered no.

-Supervisor Jurgensen reported that there would be an overage over the allowed amount of \$1500 for cabinets & Countertops in the new addition. The real cost for the cabinets & countertops came to a total of \$2297.87 which was an additional \$797.87; however, the Township only has to pay \$319.87. The \$319.87 amount was determined after a credit of \$234.00 from savings on door frames, door hardware (estimated @ \$500 with actual costs being \$335.00 for a \$145.00 savings) and \$99 reimbursement for the broken window repair. Per Treasurer Jean Jurgensen, the additional cost difference will be taken out of Capital Outlay.

-Supervisor John Jurgensen made a motion to accept the additional cost and Trustee Sarah Paisley supported. All AYES: M/C

New Business

-Supervisor Jurgensen announced that the Township will hold its annual Christmas Party at the next Townhall Meeting; December 21st.

Adjournment

Supervisor John Jurgensen made a motion to adjourn and Clerk Kay Whalen supported. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Sherman Township Board Meeting Schedule 2024

Regular meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.

January 16, 2024

February 20, 2024

March 19, 2024

April 16, 2024

May 21, 2024

June 18, 2024

July 16, 2024

August 20, 2024

September 17, 2024

October 15, 2024

November 19, 2024

December 17, 2024