

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

3/16/2015

MEETING HELD AT: Sherman Township Hall, 3550 N. Rolland Road, Weidman, MI 48893

www.shermantwp.com

Board Members Present: Clerk Denise Livermore, Treasurer Jane Chaffee, Trustee Oplinger, Trustee Lawrence

Board Members Absent: Supervisor Thompson

Clerk Livermore called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm

Treasurer Chaffee moved to appoint Trustee Oplinger to serve as chair in the absence of the Supervisor, Clerk Livermore supported, motion carried.

Trustee Lawrence moved to approve the agenda, with the addition of Maint/Park Position as 7A and adding the Assessor Contract as 8A, Treasurer Chaffee supported, motion carried.

Trustee Oplinger opened the Public Hearing on the Budget.

The hearing was published in the Morning Sun newspaper on March 10, 2015.

Public Comment was held – taxes to be levied were discussed.

Treasurer Chaffee moved to close the public hearing, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Public Hearing closed at 7:10pm

Regular meeting resumed

Trustee Lawrence moved to approve the minutes of 2/16/2015, Clerk Livermore supported, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report as presented: GF \$257,484.77 / LIB \$174,262.00/ FIRE \$229,407.74/ LK HILLS \$36,231.08

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve Payment of the Bills, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve adding duties of maintenance and park upkeep to the Constable position, Trustee Oplinger supported, motion carried.

Clerk Livermore moved to approve changing the Constable salary to be an added \$100.00 per month as long as the Constable is doing the added maintenance duties and revert back to the base monthly salary of \$60.10 if the Constable does not perform the added duties, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Public Comments: Tom Nulty addressed the board

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve the assessor contract with Equity Assessments for 2 years at \$12.00 per parcel beginning June 1, 2015, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve Equity Assessments to charge residents \$25.00 per land split – to be paid directly to Equity Assessments, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Clerk Livermore moved to approve the amendments to the 2014-15 budget as presented, Treasurer Chaffee supported, motion carried.

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve the 2015-16 budget as presented, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

LOR IFT request was discussed. Because the board received the application before the District was set up – the board feels we do not have a valid application to act on.

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve the sidewalk ordinance, Trustee Lawrence supported, Roll Call Vote: Trustee Oplinger – yes, Clerk Livermore – yes, Treasurer Chaffee – yes, Trustee Lawrence – yes, motion carried.

Treasurer Chaffee moved to approve the 2015 brine contract with the Isabella County Road Commission, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Trustee Lawrence moved to ask for the following road work estimates: Airline Road – Coldwater to School (chip seal), Old State – Wiley to Weidman (crack seal), Old State – Weidman to Airline (crack seal), Rolland – Airline to end of pavement (grind and repave), School Road – South of Drew Rd (gravel), Wyman – ¼ mile South of Airline (grind and make gravel), Treasurer Chaffee supported, motion carried.

Richard Schmidt gave a Planning Commission report and an update on Board of Review

Clerk Livermore moved to approve Fred Hartway and Dale Simmons planning commission terms to be 3 years beginning Jan 1, 2015 (rather than 2 years as stated in motion appointing them in February) to be in compliance with the law, Treasurer Chaffee supported, motion carried.

Clerk Livermore moved to appoint Trustee Lawrence as Sherman Township's Fire Board Representative (replacing Trustee Johnson) for the remainder of his term, Treasurer Chaffee supported, motion carried.

Public Comment: Tom Nulty addressed the board - ref clean up and complaints, Pat Graham expressed the Board of Review did a great job.

Individual Board Member Comments were heard

Treasurer Chaffee moved to adjourn, Meeting adjourned at 9:33pm

Respectfully Submitted By:

Denise M. Livermore, Clerk