

Sherman Township
Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2020

Meeting held at the Sherman Township Hall, 3550 N. Rolland Rd, Weidman

Supervisor Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Board Members Present: Supervisor Thompson, Trustee Lawrence, Trustee Smith, and Clerk Livermore
Board Members Absent: Treasurer Chaffee

Trustee Lawrence moved to approve the agenda, Trustee Smith supported, motion carried.

Supervisor Thompson opened the Public Hearing on the 2020-2021 Budget at 7:01pm – discussion was held – no public comment heard – Supervisor Thompson closed the public hearing and resumed the regular meeting at 7:08pm

Trustee Lawrence moved to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2020 meeting, Trustee Smith supported, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: GF \$319,918.57 Fire \$310,024.66 Lake of Hills \$22,992.51 Library \$132,373.78
Library ICS \$101,132.13

Trustee Smith moved to approve payment of the bills, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Treasurer Chaffee requested checks be sent to her in Florida for signature - Trustee Smith moved to have Clerk overnight checks to Treasurer in Florida and request Treasurer to overnight checks back to the clerk for distribution in order to expedite people getting paychecks and vendors getting paid, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Public Comment: Gale Wood asked shouldn't it be required a deputy be from Sherman Township? Kevin Salsbury of Kevin Clare Logging asked the township to consider thinning the Red Pine School Forest, he also said there was an infestation or root issue in an area West of school and South of power line that should be cleared out so it doesn't continue to spread. He left his information with the Supervisor.

Trustee Smith moved to approve the brine contract with the Road Commission and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the contract, Clerk Livermore supported, motion carried.

Trustee Smith moved to request a quote for gravel on the section of Sherman Rd from Drew to Airline from the Road Commission, Supervisor Thompson supported, motion carried.

Trustee Lawrence moved to have Supervisor dispose of old obsolete electronics from the hall at the Isabella County Electronic Waste Disposal Day, Trustee Smith supported, motion carried.

Township Hall Repairs were discussed and authorization was given to Dave Livermore to move forward with the construction work and Trustee Smith moved to have Dave get authorization through the Supervisor for use of contingency funds needed or if there were unforeseen issues that arrived during the construction, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Direction on not to put the same counter back in the window area – just leave a window space there, and to add three way switches over by hall door and additional outlets throughout main hall and in corner of office were given.

Also, the crew working on the windows stated we should try and get dirt away from the steel on the building.

Trustee Smith moved to purchase two sets of bleachers for the park (Hardcrete donating the concrete and some labor for this work), Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Clerk Livermore moved that the township does not get an added recycle container to be placed elsewhere in the township at this time as we have recycle available in Weidman, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried. Clerk Livermore to send letter to the County on this decision.

Ballot language was reviewed for the fire millage and library millage – final BOR numbers are not available yet. This can be finalized at our April Meeting.

Trustee Lawrence moved to amend the 19-20 budget by taking \$700.00 from the Library/Senior Building and putting \$200.00 in the Township Park and \$500 in the Drain Assessment, Trustee Smith supported, motion carried.

Trustee Smith moved to approve the 2020-2021 Budget as presented, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Reports from other township entities were heard.

Individual Board Member comments were heard.

Trustee Smith moved to authorize the Clerk to sign the engagement letter with the auditor, Trustee Lawrence supported, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:11 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Denise M. Livermore, Clerk