

Village of Sherman –Regular Board Meeting
Village Office-111 Mill St
January 7, 2015

Mayor Patterson opened the regular board meeting at 7:01 pm.
Present: Mayor Patterson, Trustees: Higginbotham, Weise, Reyda
Others present: Clerk Gilbert, Jay Irwin, Dave-Westfield Republican

RESOLUTION #1: On motion made by Trustee Reyda and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to approve the December 2014 regular board meeting minutes.

AYES: 3 Weise, Higginbotham, Reyda

NAYES: 0

Sewer Department

Jay reported that TOC meter was sent in to be calibrated last July and was returned to us, received by Town Clerk Tammy Weise. It was not given to Jay. It was not found. A new one was purchased at a cost of \$500. Board suggested we send them a letter asking for them to search for the item and to acknowledge that it is a missing item received at the town office. It could be in the clerk's office or the shared highway department. Jay was just concerned that it is on the inventory but it is a lost item.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Clerk Gilbert reported that an occupancy load was given for the new Sweet Shop on Main St. They will have a small amount of seating, standing area, and display cases for baked goods. Baked goods are brought in by the amish.

CLERK

Clerk Gilbert reported CD balance \$300,387.24, would need to have \$25,000.00 withdrawn from the General CD to cover January vouchers and payroll. Current checking account balance is \$1,394.79 before voucher payments.

RESOLUTION #2: On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Weise to approve transfer of \$25,000.00 from the General CD to the General Checking account.

AYES: 3 Weise, Higginbotham, Reyda

NAYES: 0

Registrar report from Town Clerk Weise-17 Death Certificates issued, 0 birth certificates issued. 20 births in the village by Midwife Jennifer Bozza, most all were Amish births. There is no charge for initial birth certificates.

RESOLUTION #3: On motion made by Trustee Reyda and seconded by Trustee Weise to approve payment of voucher #8 in the amount of \$18,413.87.

AYES: 3 Weise, Higginbotham, Reyda

NAYES: 0

Clerk Gilbert stated that another public hearing is required for the purchase of the loader and snow plow truck so that a new astopile notice can be published and worded the way that the bond council recommended. After consulting with bond council he did not approve of wording of the published astopile notice as it did not include the specific statement, subject to submissive referendum.

RESOLUTION #4: On motion made by Trustee Weise and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to approve public hearing for the purchase of the loader and snow plow truck on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

AYES: 3 Weise, Higginbotham, Reyda

NAYES: 0

OLD BUSINESS

Election petitions will be available in clerk's office for those needing one.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Patterson complimented on the Christmas light display across the main street as a tradition and has had compliments on the display.

Mayor Patterson recognized the Sherman Chamber of Commerce for all their continued hard work and dedication to Sherman, Trustee Weise recommended that we publish a public recognition.

RESOLUTION #5: On motion made by Trustee Weise and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to approve public recognition be placed in the Post Journal for the Sherman Chamber of Commerce.

AYES: 3 Weise, Higginbotham, Reyda

NAYES: 0

Mayor Patterson also read a statement regarding his views on the subject of village dissolution into the town. This statement reviewed financial status of the village from 2009-present. He stated that he is not in favor of the dissolution but will not campaign against it.

Trustee Higginbotham stated that she contacted other municipalities regarding how shut off notices for water are handled. She stated that she does not want to see anyone be humiliated by a posting of such notice. It was discussed and decided that the notice will be placed in a plain white envelope and taped to the main door of the renter's house/apartment.

Trustee Higginbotham also inquired about posting of minutes at the post office. Clerk Gilbert stated that she had never posted there but does post the approved minutes on the village website at Shermanny.org.

Trustee Higginbotham asked if the board could post in the quarterly newsletter. Clerk Gilbert stated that yes, as long as the information is submitted by the 15th of each quarter.

RESOLUTION #6: On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Weise to adjourn meeting at 7:43.

AYES: 3 Weise, Higginbotham, Reyda

NAYES: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Gilbert

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Clerk/Treasurer