

REGULAR MEETING  
Sherman Township Board  
November 9, 2023

Supervisor Middlemis-Bown called the regular meeting of the Sherman Township Board to order on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 6:30 PM in the Sherman Township Office. Other Board members attending were Clerk JT Reno, Treasurer Marilyn Kastelic, Trustee Deneen Connell, and Trustee Sondi Mathews. There were also 7 members of the public in attendance.

The Clerk made a motion to approve and discuss the agenda, Trustee Connell seconded. A Holidays party planning meeting was added to the agenda and Starlink internet was removed. All votes to approve the agenda, with the addition and removal, were "ayes."

The minutes from the October 12, 2023 regular meeting were presented. Trustee Mathews made a motion to approve the minutes, Trustee Connell seconded, and all votes to approve were "ayes."

A motion was made by the Clerk to approve and discuss expenditures, the Trustee Connell seconded. There were no additions. It was clarified that the new key was given to the billing clerk. All votes to approve expenditures were "ayes." There was discussion and public comment concerning a water rate schedule from MI Rural Water Assoc. A public meeting to discuss raising of rates and other means to generate revenue is scheduled for November 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM. Flyers will be made and distributed to residents. It was suggested that charging short term rentals the commercial rate.

The Clerk made a motion to approve painting of the exterior of the Fire Hall by Ruonavarra painting. Trustee Mathews seconded and all votes to approve were "ayes." The expense for painting will be from the CRRP fund.

Pest control in the community hall will be added to the duties of grounds and maintenance.

The Township was awarded the Michigan Township Participating Plan Grant for Fire Station backup power. The cost to the Township will be around \$3,160 and LAB electric will be doing the install.

There was no public comment at this time.

The Supervisor made a motion to create a policy that all transfers are to be completed no later than each quarter. The Clerk seconded and all votes to approve were "ayes."

The Supervisor made a motion, seconded by the Treasurer, to stop the \$6 per month payments to the RRI fund and instead use the funds for operations expenses. All votes to approve were "ayes."

The Township will be hosting a holiday party on December 16, 2023, a planning meeting will be on November 25, 2023.

A motion to adjourn was made by the Clerk at 7:22 PM, The Supervisor seconded.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on December 14, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

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Rob Middlemis-Brown, Supervisor

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JT Reno, Clerk