

**TOWN OF SHERMAN
ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2020**

Chase Potter, Chairman, called the August 13, 2020 Annual Meeting for the Town of Sherman to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Sherman Town Hall.

Chairman, Chase Potter, Board Members Paul Heifner, Amanda Klosterman, Lynn Smith, Kelley Krause, Clerk/Treasurer, Ashley Score and Patrolman Terry Ford were present. (Refer to sign in sheet for others present)

Chase began the meeting by thanking those in attendance for coming during the COVID-19 pandemic. He also stated that all residents and board members present can make motions and vote at an annual meeting.

Chairman Chase Potter, Amanda Klosterman, Paul Heifner, Lynn Smith, Kelley Krause, Ashley Score, and Terry Ford, introduced themselves to the public present.

Chase moved directly to agenda item “Discuss 2021 projected Dunn County Solid Waste/Recycling Assessment Increases and Consider Alternative Options”. Chase noted he has been in communication with Morgan Gerk at DCSWR, and has gone through past and present DCSWR budgets to better understand the financial position of the service and stated the Board is in search of an accessible and affordable option for the Town of Sherman. Chase shared a handout with answered questions about the Town of Sherman’s participation in Dunn County Solid Waste and Recycling as well as an overview of bids including curbside pick-up and town hall drop off. Chase opened the discussion up for residents. Discussion points included: comparisons in cost between private company bids and significant increases in DCSWR draft projected assessments. Private company options not able to accept certain items such as scrap steel, used oil, anti-freeze, hazardous wastes, appliances etc. and the concern that these items could end up in road-way ditches. Also debated was the option of drop off at the Town hall with ability/need to fence in the dumpsters, have a worker available for collection times, and the option for residents to purchase specific Town of Sherman colored garbage bags for use only at the town hall drop off location in and effort distinguish who is allowed to use the facility. Continued discussion regarding convenience of curbside pick-up and potential for containers to blow away, getting containers to end of driveway for those with long driveways, and curb-side recycling only able to be picked up once a month. Conversation regarding the DCSWR 5-million-dollar referendum and, if approved, the cost would still be assessed to all Dunn County residents whether the Town participated in the program or not. Further conversation regarding the financial position of DSWR including the per capita assessments being artificially kept low in the past with recycling income and money not being spent on upgrading the equipment and facility. Continued discussion and comparisons for costs and quality of services, deadline for decision to participate in County program, as well as the simplest long-term option for success for the Town as well as the County. Continued conversation on a possible maximum assessment from County prior to commitment. Chase asked if the residents felt comfortable to make a non-binding advisory vote on participation in DCSWR for the Board to consider. Steven Crites made the motion to stay with Dunn County Solid Waste and Recycling, 2nd by Terry Vodinelich. Residents chose to vote by hand. Motion to stay with DSWR passed with 32

in favor and 3 opposed. Ashley shared the results of those that emailed their comments/preference with approximately 18 of 30 in favor of town hall drop off, 7 in favor of curbside pick-up, 1 in favor of staying with Dunn County for another year, and the remaining were questions/comments. Comments on how beneficial the meeting was in helping answer questions and clarify options.

Chase called a recess at 7:40pm and reconvened at 7:49pm.

Chase asked if there were any additions or corrections from the Minutes from the April 18, 2019 Annual Meeting. There were none. Paul made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2019 Annual Meeting as presented, 2nd by Amanda, motion carried.

Ashley presented the 2019 Annual Report. The Board reviewed the receipts for 2019 in the amount of \$1,307,456.71. The Board reviewed the Expenses for 2019 in the amount of \$1,437,483.09. The Board reviewed account balances as of 12/31/19 totaling \$341,662.98 in all accounts. Ashley stated the Town of Sherman has indebtedness of \$248,200.00. Ashley noted the Town ended the 2019 financial year \$887.81 under budget. Motion to approve the 2019 financial report as presented made by Lynn, 2nd by Amanda. Motion passed.

Chase asked if there were any other items for discussion only for the 2020 Annual Meeting. There were none.

Motion to adjourn the 2020 Annual Meeting made by Paul, 2nd by Mitchell Potter, motion carried.

The 2020 Annual Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Ashley Score
Clerk/Treasurer,
Town of Sherman