

TOWN OF SHERMAN
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
July 12, 2021

Chairman Chase Potter called the July 12, 2021 Monthly Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and stated that the meeting had been properly noticed and published.

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

Chairman Potter asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the June 16, 2021 monthly meeting. Amanda made the motion to approve the June meeting minutes as presented, 2nd by Kelley, motion passed.

Public input – Chairman Potter noted that public comments will be limited to two minutes per person and limited to the Town of Sherman residents only. Teresa Jorgensen from Cottage Winery spoke about her concerns regarding the above quota “class B” liquor license that was issued to the Barn at Copper Creek and requirements to qualify for the license. Discussion on the definition of full-service restaurant, seating, events, and zoning special exceptions. Tony Pember noted that there has been ‘squatters’ near Tomcat Trail, and the local sheriff’s department has been contacted. Tony Pember provided a copy of the Declaration of Independence to each Board member and stated that the 2nd Amendment Constitutional Rights Protection Resolution for consideration is not an ordinance, but a statement of support. Tony shared information about federal bill HR127 and his concerns regarding firearm regulations. Discussion on support of 2nd amendment rights, federal, state, and local authority.

Chase moved on to consideration of 2nd amendment sanctuary resolution and shared correspondence from Dunn County Corporate Council regarding the legal analysis of the resolution. Discussion regarding potential Town liability and democratic mechanisms for changing federal laws as well as Town business verses political issues. Amanda asked that the record reflect that she is not a Wisconsin lawyer and does not provide legal advice to the Board. Amanda made the motion to not sign the resolution. 2nd by Lynn. Roll call vote as follows; Paul-yes, Lynn-yes, Kelley-yes, Amanda-yes, Chase-yes. Motion passed with 5 in favor, none opposed.

Ashley provided the Clerk/Treasurers report of correspondence including sharing the County PIN report, receiving 1st installment of the ARPA funds, submission of the annual liquor license report, upcoming Dunn County Unit WTA meeting on July 26th, and she is working through the 2021 Clerks Institute classes this week. Kelley made the motion to approve the payments for approval report as presented, 2nd by Paul. Motion passed.

CSMs- there were none.

Building permits-there were none.
Driveway permits-there were none.
Utility permits-there were none.

Chase moved on to agenda item consideration of ARPA broadband access grant application with 24/7 Telcom. Todd Sisko with 24/7 Telcom presented an ARPA Broadband access grant application public/private partnership agreement to the Board and noted the quick turn-around for the application deadline and that the proposed application would include the Town of Sherman's entire \$93,364.00 ARPA grant. If the application is awarded, the project would bring Broadband to the entire Town of Sherman. Discussion on the acceptable uses for the ARPA grant monies. Amanda made the motion to approve the full \$93,364.00 ARPA grant be designated to the broadband access application with 24/7 Telcom, 2nd by Kelley. Motion passed with 4 in favor and Paul opposed.

The Board took a short recess at 8:20pm and re-convened at 8:25pm.

Chairman Chase move down to agenda item summer road work. DB Builder's provided two bids for tree removal at the corner of 920th Ave and 460th St for \$2,520.00 and \$4,554.00 for the corner of Cheese Factory and Ford Road stump removal and tree removal. Paul made the motion to approve both bids, 2nd by Chase, motion passed. Chase shared that Trevor Radbourne inquired about options to improve the low spots on the dead-end town road he is building a home on. The Board will inquire with DB Builder's about adding a culvert and improving drainage. The Board went through Kelley's road tour action items including Paul looking into how many properties are serviced by dead end roads, and options for de-commissioning appropriate roads. Amanda will draft an ordinance for consideration designating residents have ownership of culverts on driveways and be assigned the financial responsibilities and maintenance.

Chase moved on to consider appointing plan commission member and shared that Sarah Paquette, Plan Commission Chair, did not recommend appointing a new plan commission member.

The Board considered the draft 2020 Wipfli financial audit. Motion to approve the audit made by Amanda, 2nd by Kelley. Motion passed.

Terry provided a roadwork update including hand patching, ditch mowing, hauling rock and getting the mower deck looked at for a possible electrical problem. Dave Rheasler inquired about options to keep dust down on Buckeye Road. Chase will look into obtaining asphalt millings for dust control options.

Lynn provided an update on Boyceville Fire and Ambulance noting that there was an overpayment made to two Ambulance employees-one active and one no longer working for the department. Options will be discussed further at the next meeting.

August monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 6:30pm. Kelley made the motion to set the September monthly meeting for September 21, 2021 at 6:30pm, 2nd by Chase. Motion passed.

Other Business for Discussion Only. Ashley shared that the new fuel tank insurance coverage cost from Rural Mutual is \$37 and Prochnow Assessing inquired about the status of considering an assessor contract. Consideration will be placed on the August monthly meeting agenda.

Motion to adjourn the July monthly meeting made by Amanda, 2nd by Paul. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Submitted by: Ashley Score, Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Sherman