

Sherwood Township Meeting May 02, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Robbins at 7:30 p.m.
Board members present; Brubaker, Whitcomb, Brott and Haack.
Pledge to the flag of the United States of America lead by Robbins.

Minutes from April 4, 2023 meeting read. Motion to approve minutes by Robbins, 2nd by Haack, voted and minutes approved.

Branch County Sheriff Report;

Sheriff Pollack gave a report on a resolution being sent to the Branch County Commissioners by the townships of Branch County asking them to approve funding for night patrols in the county. Pollack asked Sherwood board to join other townships in this request. Pollack reported 3rd District County Commissioner Tim Stoll is in favor of this resolution. A motion was made by Robbins for Sherwood Township to support the re-instating of sheriff deputies to 24 hour coverage, 2nd Brott. Voted and passed. Resolution was signed and will be sent to county.

New Business;

While Sheriff Pollack was present Whitcomb informed him and the board that a request had been made by the Board of Tobacco, Fire Arms and Explosives to be aware of a gun shop run by Sherwood resident Bob Hiedel that has been in a scheduled review and that the township board is aware it is still in operation. Gun shop has been there many years and was grandfathered into the zoning. The board along with Pollack is aware of the gun shop and ok with it being in the township.

Old Business:

The ARPA report has been completed by Robbins and sent in.

Robbins has been in contact with Road Commission and they are making a plan on roads to be worked on for 2023. There are many gravel roads to be repaired. Dust control has been scheduled. Parking lot repair is scheduled with half down payment and rest after complete with the same company as before, Ross Upston. Robbins made a motion to approve the bid of \$2,900 by Upston to repair township hall parking lot. 2nd by Whitcomb. Voted and passed.

Fire Department Report;

Fire Chief Jeff Smurr was on call to a fire so Whitcomb gave a report on April fire calls and training per report from Smurr. There were 3 fire calls, 1 Mutual aid for a lost kayaker, one assist to Lifecare and one illegal burn. There were two trainings, a practice burn on the 14th and air pak training on the 23rd.

Board of Review;

Fred Haack reported there was no BOA meeting in April. Haack also stated that more residents are needed to serve on township boards and committees.

Treasurers Report;

Treasurer Dale Marie Brubaker reported the general fund balance is \$187,216.78.

A revenue sharing check for \$26,784 was received today but not deposited.

There are 2 properties that are up for back taxes, \$1500 and \$280. Brubaker feels that the properties are not worth that for the township to pay taxes on. Robbins has reached out to the neighbors of both properties and they are not interested in purchasing them.

Clerk Report;

Clerk Marjorie Whitcomb told board that the Memorial Day committee has requested a \$50 donation this year as in years before. Motion by Robbins to donate \$50 to the Sherwood Memorial Day Celebration. 2nd by Haack. Voted and passed.

Whitcomb reported to the board that the cost of the Veteran flags has increased as well as the cost for the Quick books program used to do payroll and budgets along with other book keeping.

Whitcomb reported to the board the break in of the fuel tanks in the rear of the township hall drive and asked the board to approve the installation of a light on the tanks and approval to hire help to check cameras and building on a weekly bases at odd times of day and night. Robbins made a motion to add a light to the fuel tanks and to hire Jason Boes to check cameras during the week and check the outside of the township building and also check trash cards on trash pick up days. 2nd by Haack, voted and passed.

Supervisor Report;

Supervisor Aaron Robbins reported that the meeting with SafeBuilt to come up with a plan to help ordinance violations go better was postponed and will be rescheduled for next week.

The property on Dotson Drive has had another complaint even after the call to the Health Department by Robbins. The Health Department has been to the property 3 times and cannot find a violation. There was public comment on this.

There was a recommendation from the BOR to remove Jason Stanton from the board and make him an alternate for the board because of too many members. The motion was made by Robbins to move Jason Stanton to alternate on the BOR. 2nd by Haack. Voted and passed.

Motion to approve bills by Robbins, 2nd by Brubaker. Voted and passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Robbins, 2nd by Brott. Voted and passed.

Meeting adjourned 8:35 p.m.

Clerk, Marjorie Whitcomb