

Sherwood Township Board Meeting November 04, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Supervisor Robbins.
Board members in attendance; Brubaker, Whitcomb, Brott and Haack.
The pledge to the flag of the United States of America led by Robbins.

Reading of minutes and a motion to approve the October first by Robbins. 2nd by Haack. Voted and passed.

Old Business:

The driveway seal coating is scheduled to be done by Upston Asphalt on Friday and Saturday.

New Business:

Marcia Bail, the township assessor, was present reported about the May 07, 2024 storm damage and said she has had 131 assessment reviews. Letters have been sent out for reassessments.

Whitcomb reported the loss of the township Planning Commissioner Chair Person, Don Esch, and what a loss it is to the community. Don served the township very well and will be missed.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Dale Marie Brubaker reported the general fund balance is \$150,412.06. \$33,000 in checks arrived in the mail today. There is an ARPA fund balance of \$6,903.50. Brubaker reported that there is a big need for a new printer in the clerk and treasurer's office. Brubaker has been in contact with Hannah Smith, the next clerk, and they have found a printer that will meet needs of the office. Smith has also researched the cost of new computers for the office.

Robbins made a motion to use the remaining ARPA funds to replace the copy machine and the two computers in the clerk's and treasurer's office. 2nd by Brubaker. Voted and passed.

Whitcomb asked that the old equipment be recycled. Smith said it can be turned in on a trade.

Clerk Report:

Clerk Marjorie Whitcomb reported that the election process was going well and a record turnout is expected. 115 Sherwood residents have early voted in Coldwater.

329 absentee ballots have been sent and 310 have been returned at this time.

Whitcomb reported on the inspection forgiveness that the township had passed for the tornado victims. As of report today from SafeBuilt, the total was \$8,908.74.

Supervisor Report:

Supervisor Aaron Robbins reported that he has contacted Upston Asphalt many times and they have said the drive was to be done, he continues to be in touch with them.

Robbins recognized Toren Stanton as the upcoming supervisor and said he would help him with a good transition.

Robbins thanked the present board members and the community that were in attendance for their commitment to the township.

Fire Department Report:

Fire Chief Jeff Smurr reported that there were three fire calls for the month of October. One downed power line, one mutual aid call for a combine fire, and one barn fire in the village of Sherwood. There were three training sessions.

Chief Smurr explained to the board the happenings of the village barn fire on October 25th, and that the fire department was ordered by 911 dispatchers not to enter the property of the fire call until police arrive on scene due to the history of the property residents and the distressing language to the 911 dispatchers.

Smurr reported that the new grass rig is to be done soon and ready to use.

Public Comment:

Bill Courliss wanted to thank the board from the community.

Ken Bell explained the replacement of Planning Commission board members. Tyler Mynhier agreed to stay on the board, Fred Haack is leaving with his term expired on the township board. Brott will be reassigned after the election. Ken Bell will prepare a list of term dates.

Motion to approve the bills by Robbins. 2nd by Brott. Voted and passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Robbins. 2nd by Haack. Voted and passed.
The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Marjorie Whitcomb.