

SHERIDAN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, July 18, 2023, held at the Sheridan Township Hall at 8:00 p.m. Present were Corliss Gulembo, Marlynn Gulembo, Jennie Borema, Jeff Cormany, Doug Damkoehler, and 14 guests.

Pledge to the Flag.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report was given. Motion to approve by Cormany, supported by Damkoehler; carried.

Clerk reported that the Clerk's and Treasurer's books balance at \$330,983.20, prior to the meeting.

Larry Hoffman asked for 5 mph speed limit signs for in the Park, as well as "Slow—Children Playing" signs. Cormany will check if the Road Commission can make those for us. The cooktop in the hall caught on fire. Hoffman will look for a cooktop or a stove that will fit the opening. Motion to purchase either from Cormany, supported by Damkoehler. Carried.

Sheriff Cole presented the June report, noting that Sheridan Township had 23 calls, including 1 meth arrest and 1 assault. The ESD entered into an agreement for a School Resource Officer. One in-house officer is interested in the position. MCC ended their SRO contract with Scottville PD and the Sheriff's Department will be covering MCC. The Sheriff's Department's 24' whaler sunk over July 4th and it is beyond repair. The cost to replace would be \$170K-\$206K. The Sheriff's Department is down 4 deputies but has 3 new deputies that will start in the next month. There are also a couple of retirements coming up.

Two residents voiced concerns about the Vaughn Payne property on Benson Rd. Mr. Payne is now in a nursing home. There are squatters on the property and dogs running all over. A mobile home has been put in and the yard is filled with campers. Sheriff Cole addressed the concerns and will have animal control visit the property tomorrow. He will also follow up with the Health Department and Zoning. He reported that Zoning officer Kotecki found out that zoning tickets are being thrown out by Judge Middlebrook.

Commissioner Ron Bacon was not able to attend the meeting, but sent an email reporting that the ESD has been appropriated a School Resource Officer. MCC and WSCC are coming back to the County asking for an officer. Truststream has received the Robin grant for countywide internet access.

Ed Lijewski reported that the Fire Department needs to replace their brush truck. He also reported that calls are up 5% from last year at this time.

Dale Stapel reported on Senior Center news.

Clerk read an email, including a photo, from Ed Lijewski (he was also in attendance) regarding the blind spot at the intersection at E. Ridge Ave. and Benson Rd. He has contacted the Road Commission and they have not done anything to remedy the situation. Cormany will check with the Road Commission.

A contract for Echo Lane was received, including a 15% price increase. This contract was signed in 2018 and the Road Commission has not yet done the work. Cormany will check on this, as the Road Commission should recognize the original price.

Motion by M. Gulembo to transfer \$0.15 to ARPA Spending (a budget transfer). Support by Cormany; carried.

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Motion to pay bills by Cormany, supported by Damkoehler; carried.

Motion to adjourn by M. Gulembo, supported by Borema; carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlynn E. Gulembo

Marlynn E. Gulembo, Clerk