

Grant funding is provided for <u>specific criteria</u> toward capital projects and specialized programming. Their purpose is to build, strengthen, and support an organization's mission. Grants rarely contribute directly to operational budgets. Please note: <u>All</u> organizations are facing the same challenges of inflation, rising employment expenses, and supply shortages.

We would like to THANK the board members, committee members, volunteers, and staff of the School, Library, Museum, and Village who give of their time, show resiliency through these challenges, and are willing to make the tough decisions for the benefit of all members of the community. Though often not understood, there are many efforts being made, some already achieved, contributing to the future of Sherman.

Gratitude



The **Minerva Free Library** learning center patio improvement provided by the NYS Construction Grant. We encourage you in the weeks ahead to be supportive of the missions of our organizations directly Serving Our Great Community!



A sample depiction of the proposed **Sherman Central** Agriculture and Technology Improvements.

For more information go to <u>www.minervalibrary.org</u> and <u>www.shermancsd.org</u>

The three-legged stool supporting our community: funding, countless hours of effort, and above all, <u>support from the community members</u>!

## Wastewater Treatment Plant Nearing the Completion of the 5-year Improvement Project

With the recent delivery of the Master Control Center (MCC), the WWTP is entering the final phase of the \$7 million dollar upgrades to the 44-year-old wastewater treatment plant. The new system utilizing Sequencing Batch Reactors (SBR) and UV Disinfection is scheduled to be fully operational in June.

The aging motors on the aeration blowers have fortunately continued to function. You may have heard the noise from the aeration blower that has been running during the transition to the efficient variable speed blowers.





Both the WWTP and the Drinking Water Treatment & Pump Stations were dangerously close to being nonoperational. The main drive unit for the filtration system of the WWTP failed and the Village rented frack tanks to use as clarifiers for \$5,500. Prior to the installation of new drinking water pumps over each well, the Village had to contract with a trucking company in the event the (*remaining*) failing pump (*being attended to daily by the electrician*) failed completely. The Village would have had to then pay to haul drinking water from the wells at the aquifer located off Hart Street to the Miller Street Reservoir to supply drinking water to the Village, at a great expense.

## **Drinking Water System**

## Nearing the Completion of the 4-year Improvement Project

The Drinking Water Treatment & Distribution System is fully operational. The old 'mains' have been discontinued and everyone is receiving drinking water through the new transmission lines. Pump #1 started just in time! The Treatment Building and Detention Lines are in place. The Reservoir Hatch is being raised and Pump #2 will be coming online shortly. There are a few meters that still need to be installed, and some minor punch list items to complete this 4-year project that *actually* spanned <u>more than 20 years</u>!

The Village of Sherman plans to hold an Open House this Fall for all in the community to come and see both capital improvements. A great deal of work has been accomplished in an effort to serve the residents, churches, organizations, and commercial businesses of Sherman.