

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF SHERMAN,
June 3, 2021

A regular meeting of the Town of Sherman Board was held on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at the Town Office Building, 111A Mill St, Town of Sherman, Chautauqua County, New York at 7:00 PM.

Present:	Mark D. Persons	Supervisor
	James L. Higginbotham	Council Member/ Deputy Supervisor
	Bessie V. Endress	Council Member
	Ben Nickerson	Council Member
	Dennis Sweatman	Highway Superintendent
	Tamera M Weise	Town Clerk

Absent: Councilman Howard Crump, Greg Osman - CEO

Guests: Gary Emory & Greg Rater – Town Residents, Bill Ward – County Legislator, Marty Proctor

Supervisor Persons called the meeting to order at 7:00 and led the Pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION #39

Councilman James Higginbotham made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Bessie Endress to approve the minutes from the last board meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #40

ABSTRACTS/CLAIMS

Councilwoman Bessie Endress made the motion, seconded by Councilman Ben Nickerson to approve payment of General Claims #73 through #87 in the amount of \$47,057.44, Highway Claims #63 through #76 in the amount of \$7,976.88.

MOTION CARRIED.

JUDGE'S REPORT

Judge Penfolds May report shows fines of \$842.00, civil fees of \$147.00 and surcharges of \$397.00 for a total of \$1386.50.

CLERK/REGISTRAR'S REPORT

- Clerk Weise requested that the regular July board meeting be moved from July 1st to July 8, 2021.

RESOLUTION #41

Supervisor Mark Persons made the motion, seconded by Councilman James Higginbotham to move the July Town Board Meeting from July 1st to July 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

The Following Fund Balance was presented:

Justice Holding	\$ 1,133.01
Highway	\$ 79,931.77
General	\$ 9,026.11
Youth Checking	\$ 189.42
Youth Savings	\$ 4,873.16

General CD's	
\$75,000.00	
Highway CD'S	
\$75,000.00	
\$75,000.00	
All three CD's to mature 6/3/2021	

General CD's	
\$65,028.13	
\$75,028.13	
Highway CD's	
\$65,028.13	
\$65,028.13	
All four CD's to mature 7/7/2021	

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

May Assessor's Report

- There were 8 deeds recorded in March.
- Assessment change notices have been mailed to property owners with active building permits for new construction and demolition.
- The 2021 Tentative Assessment Roll was filed with the Chautauqua County Real Property Tax Office, and a copy of the roll has been posted to the CAP 4 assessment webpage, www.cap4assessment.com – as required by NYS Real Property Tax Law.
- Grievance Day will be held on Wednesday, May 26th from 4:00 – 8:00 pm. Anyone who disagrees with their assessment is encouraged to contact the Assessor to discuss, and if necessary, schedule an appointment with the Board of Assessment Review.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Highway Superintendent Dennis Sweatman brought the following to the Boards attention:

- This past week 4.6 miles of sealing roads was done
- CHIPS monies for 2021 has increased to \$162,252.86

SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Mark Persons presented the following information to the Board:

- Supervisor Persons reported that there have been no numbers given in regards to the American Rescue plan Act.

- The Supervisors from Mina, French Creek and Sherman met and discussed that the Town Assessor had reached a 99% Equalization rate for 2020. Even though it was not the 100% that was stated for her bonus, the Supervisors felt that the work she had done was still worthy of the bonus that was set in the budget.
- A copy of a letter that Supervisor Persons received from Village Mayor Colleen Meeder in regards to an incident that happened between her and Highway Superintendent Dennis Sweatman on May 14th was given to the Town Board along with a letter of response to the incident that Highway Superintendent Sweatman wrote. The Town Board agreed that they supported the response that Mr. Sweatman was sending to Mayor Meeder and the Village Board.
- A handout was given to the Town Board in regards to the Marihuana Regulation & Taxation Act that NYS Governor Andrew Cuomo signed on March 31, 2021. Supervisor Persons asked the Board to read the information and bring back to the July Board meeting their thoughts on the Town of Sherman opting out of allowing adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries or on-site consumption licenses from locating within the Town of Sherman. Supervisor made note that the town can opt out and you can amend to opt- out later but they cannot amend to opt out after Dec. 31, 2021.

After there was no more discussion Councilman James Higginbotham moved to adjourn the meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT.7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tamera M Weise
Sherman Town Clerk