

**Village of Sherman –Public Hearing**  
**2% Tax Cap Override Local Law 1-2014**  
**Village Office-111 Mill St**  
**March 5, 2014**

**Board Members Present:** Mayor Patterson, Trustee's, Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto,

**Others Present:** Jay Irwin

**Guests:** Nancy McCormick

Mayor Patterson opened the Public Hearing for 2% Tax Cap/W/S Manual at 7:00 pm.

Nancy McCormick was in attendance. Mayor Patterson explained the reason for doing an override on the 2% tax cap as a precautionary measure to be sure that if our budget does exceed the 2% the local law is in effect.

Mrs. McCormick stated she had some general questions. One asking why the snowplow goes by her house several times daily. Mayor Patterson stated that this plow is a general use truck and is used for more than plowing such as brining streets, garbage pickup, etc.

She also stated that she had put in a submerged sump pump and had it draining outside toward the back of her property, asking that this is acceptable. Both Jay Irwin and Mayor Patterson stated that it was since it is only ground water that is being pumped out.

Mayor Patterson asked for any other comments or questions regarding the 2% tax cap. No further comments or questions.

**Village of Sherman –Public Hearing**  
**Water Sewer Manual-Local Law 2-2014**  
**Village Office-111 Mill St**  
**March 5, 2014**

**Board Members Present:** Mayor Patterson, Trustee's, Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto,

**Others Present:** Jay Irwin

**Guests:** Nancy McCormick

Mayor Patterson asked for comment or questions regarding the W/S manual stating that the board has had a chance to review and make changes prior to meeting. No comment, changes, or questions.

**Village of Sherman –Regular Board Meeting**  
**Village Office-111 Mill St**  
**March 5, 2014**

**Board Members Present:** Mayor Patterson, Trustee's, Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto,

**Others Present:** Jay Irwin

**Guests:** Nancy McCormick

**SEWER**

Jay Irwin submitted to Mayor Patterson an estimate for a RUDD water heater for \$1,700.00. Jay also reported that the engineer report for the sewer upgrades needed for the pre-grant application/application is estimated at \$30,000. There is a grant that can be applied for to help fund this cost with up to 80% funding but is not awarded until December 2014, with EFC Grant funding available in one year. Grant money is available, just not guaranteed. The grants are awarded on a point system and JC Smith has spoken with both Jay Irwin and Mayor Patterson stating that the village would score high with its economics of residents, since it is based on income. Jay stated that the engineer report and environmental study would be done together. Mayor Patterson stated that he wanted to be very cautious not to drain the CD even though there are always risks to applying for grants. Jay stated that the USDA grants can be submitted at any time but the EFC grants have October deadlines. He asked Jay to get concrete figures on paper. After board discussion it was suggested by Mayor Patterson that the cost of the report be taken from the CD and done ASAP as these upgrades are needed and doing this report will be necessary regardless of grant funding. The residents voted years ago to have a waste water treatment plant and it has to be maintained.

**RESOLUTION #1:** On motion made by Trustee Gratto and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve engineer study/environmental study for the waste water treatment plant be done by Hill Engineering.

AYES: 2 Reyda, Gratto

NAYES: 1 Higginbotham

**STREETS/WATER**

Mayor Patterson reported for Doug Crane who was not in attendance. Water main on W. Main St. was fixed due to a leak. Repairs were assisted by Village of Mayville.

Water meters are being repaired as time allows.

Bill Boria, Chautauqua County Health Department spoke with Mayor Patterson requesting that there needs to be a schedule of replacing and shutting down the old mains. A report will be filed from him to the village to reflect this.

**BUILDING CODE**

Clerk Gilbert reported that Robert Burkholder had been in to obtain information needed to submit the annual state building reports and the ISO report.

**RESOLUTION #4:** On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve the Voucher #9 for \$12, 568.68.

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

**CLERK**

**RESOLUTION #2:** On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve the Voucher #10 for \$13,226.66.

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

Clerk Gilbert reported CD balance is \$243,280.70.

General Checking:

Clerk Gilbert stated that board work meetings for the budget need to be set for at least two dates in March. Dates were set for Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:00 pm and if needed Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00.

Clerk Gilbert stated that a public hearing for the 2014-2015 Budget needs to be set for April 2 meeting at 7:00 pm.

**RESOLUTION #3:** On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Gratto to approve the public hearing for the 2014-2015 Budget for Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

**RESOLUTION #4:** On motion made by Trustee Reyda and seconded by Trustee Higginbotham to approve the proposed 2% Tax Cap *Local Law 1-2014* as defined by general municipal law C-3, attached

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

**RESOLUTION #5:** On motion made by Trustee Higginbotham and seconded by Trustee Reyda to approve the proposed Water/Sewer Manual *Local Law 2-2014*

AYES: 3 Reyda, Higginbotham, Gratto

NAYES: 0

Mayor Patterson stated that he will get with Doug to get the supplies needed to finish the walls in the clerk's office.

### **OLD BUISNESS**

Shave the mayor campaign has raised approximately \$1800. All donations received here on out will be benefiting Roswell as the minimum contribution to Sherman Day has been met.

Mayor Patterson showed the board sample shirts that were made by Triple E to help advertise and contribute to the effort. He stated that he would like to get into the school to offer the shirts in hopes to get the student body involved in selling. Shirts will be sold for approximately \$3.50 profit, all going to Roswell.

Mayor Patterson read a letter that was received from Attorney Dale Robbins regarding the announcement of Bonnie Meabon as Parade Grand Marshal. He stated that he was pleased the village of Sherman was honoring Bonnie in this manner as she has always contributed greatly to the community in Lakewood as well.

Mayor Patterson stated that he attended a joint meeting with George Spanos, Chautauqua County representatives, and town representatives regarding the study for a new shared service highway building on Rt. 430 in the Town of Sherman. Three options were given by Mr. Spanos:

1. Rebuild the existing building
2. Build at the current Town/Village location

3. Build a new structure across the street from the existing county highway building

The new building would consist of a 6-8 bays for county, 4-5 bays for town, 1 bay for village, and potentially 1-fire department. With 1/3 cost to each County, Town, and Village with an estimate of between \$82,000-\$150,000 for the village. Mayor Patterson stated he would not support this as it is not economically feasible for the village especially since we have a fairly new highway building already and upcoming expenses for new equipment, sewer upgrades, and finishing the water main lines.

Mayor Patterson passed around a letter of request from Kaine Kelly, Superintendent of Sherman Central School for a representative from the village to attend a rally to restore GEA funding cuts. Isaac Gratto stated he would represent since he believes his wife will be attending this rally also. Rally will be held in Ellicottville, March 10, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Patterson closed meeting at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ann M. Gilbert*

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Clerk/Treasurer