

BOARD MEETING – OFFICIAL MINUTES
APRIL 1, 2008

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sherman Village Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, April 1st at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall with President Trevor J. Clatfelter presiding.

PRESENT: Trustees Hickman, Long, Mitchell, Schultz, Timm & Zibutis

ABSENT: None

The board unanimously approved the agenda for the meeting.

The board unanimously approved the March 18th minutes and the March 31st special meeting minutes.

Mr. Craig Metz of the Bank of Springfield was present to give a detailed presentation about a retirement plan for full time village employees not under the union. It is a 401K pretax plan with American Funds (PAI). It will be at no increased cost to the village as the cost will be the same as the present plan, but will provide a much better retirement program. Schultz made a motion, seconded by Long and carried unanimously by the board, to authorize Mr. Metz to proceed with implementing this plan, and to authorize the expenditure of \$725 in start up costs for the program.

Jonathan Moos presented a landscaping plan for the village hall water fountain area as an Eagle Scout project. Timm made a motion, seconded by Hickman and carried unanimously by the board, to approve the project and authorize the expenditure of funds not to exceed \$900 for the necessary materials.

Swanson said the 2006 MFT program ran over by \$56,000 due to add ons. Only \$30,000 will come out of the MFT fund.

The board learned that a borrowed motion sensor camera mounted at the intersection of Zimmerman Drive at Arlington Chase has been destroyed by vandals. Arrow signs will be erected to keep cars from driving over the grass at the intersection. Also, signs will be put up warning motorists that driving over the grass is criminal damage to property.

Swanson said he is working on the 2008 MFT program. Also, due to rising sewers rates, the Sewer Rates and Charges Ordinance will have to be amended to cover the village's costs.

Clatfelter said he is investigating creating a village owned sewer system, due to large rate increases. Zibutis made a motion, seconded by Schultz and carried unanimously by the board, authorizing the village attorney to review the village's contract with the Springfield Sanitary District.

Zibutis made a motion, seconded by Timm and carried unanimously by the board, to approve the hiring of two part time police officers, Travis Turner and Christopher Vespa.

Hickman made a motion, seconded by Zibutis and carried unanimously by the board, to approve a resolution requesting IDOT's permission to close off Business 55 on September 20th for the Sesquicentennial parade.

Moos told the board that the village received a grant for risk assessment. Training will take place at the Fire Station on June 26-28.

Clatfelter told the board that the village's parking ordinance is too restrictive, and asked the board to revisit it. For the time being, it was the consensus of the board to allow the trailers and trucks of builders and lawn care workers to park on the village streets during the day while they are working, but not at night. Workers can also park their vehicles on Crossing Drive at lunch time to use the restaurants.

Sesquicentennial plans were discussed.

The board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.