

CHERRY VALLEY TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

May 20, 2025

The General meeting of the Cherry Valley Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Robert Shepler at 7:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Supervisor Robert Shepler, Treasurer Lori Jeffery, Clerk Debra Chromy-Smith, Trustee Connie Avery, Trustee Vicki Sherman.

Minutes from March 25, 2025, General Meeting was given to the Board, and copies were available for the audience to review. A period of time was allowed for everyone to read them. Motion by Trustee Connie to approve minutes from the General Meeting and seconded by Trustee Vicky. All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

All board members received a packet from the treasurer containing a print out of the Balance Sheet, Bank Statements for both the General Fund and Tax Account along with Reconciliation detail for both. Copies were available for the public to review. Treasurer Lori explained accounts and asked if there were any comments. None being said, a Motion was made by Clerk Debra and seconded by Trustee Connie to approve the Treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Robert and seconded by Clerk Debra to approve payment of outstanding bills. All in favor motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

3 new building permits. Complaint about Sandridge Road property. One group departed the property but left a hug mess behind. I will be contacting the property owner. Working with the Health Dept. regarding septic disposal for people living on 40th Street. Receiving calls about upcoming tax sale from the county in our township. Auction will be online early August.

CLERKS REPORT:

I read my letter of resignation to the board members.

Dawn Shepler and Angela Guynn were introduced and both given time to explain why this position would be a good fit for the township. Motion by Lori and seconded by Connie to have a vote and appoint a new Clerk. Board members (excluding the Supervisor) were given ballots to vote for one. Mrs. Guynn won 3 – 1. She was sworn in after the meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Rick Haslock thanked the clerk for her years of service and will be missed by all.

Commissioner Bob Sanders brought us up to date on things going on in the County. They signed a 10 year contract with Life EMS; K-6 officer leaving to go to Kent County; GEO prison will be opening for ICE detainees; a lot of county personal will be retiring this year.

Mary from Senior Resources could not make the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Township audit for 2025 has been completed. Treasurer Lori explained the few issues found to be corrected and the township will be ready for the next audit. A salary resolution will be ready for the next board meeting to be adopted. Our assessor Greg Barnett will be retiring the end of June 2025. Jessica Johnson will be our new assessor. A contract was signed with her for the same time phrase and payment as the retiring assessor.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

Being no further business a motion was made by Supervisor Robert to adjourn and seconded by Treasurer Lori. Meeting adjourned at 8:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Chromy-Smith, Clerk