

## Cherry Valley Township Regular Meeting

January 13, 2026

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 Jeffrey, Clerk Angie Guynn, Trustee Connie Avery, Trustee Vicki Sherman.

Minutes from the November 11, 2025, General Meeting was given to the Board, and copies were available for the attendees to review. A period of time was allowed for everyone to review them. Motion by Supervisor Robert to approve the minutes from the General Meeting and seconded by Treasurer Lori. 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 the Tax Account along with Reconciliation detail for both. Copies were available to the public to review. Treasurer Lori explained the accounts and asked if there were any comments. None being said, a Motion was made by Supervisor Robert and seconded by Clerk Angie. Motion carried.

Motioned by Supervisor Robert and seconded by Trustee Vicki to approve payment of outstanding bills. All in favor, motion carried.

### Supervisor Report

Assessor Jessica receives building permits and will send them to Lori to print for Bob.

### Clerk Report:

No new business

### Old Business:

Parking lot sealant: Pat Sherman provided in-depth comparison of oil-based and water-based sealant. Treasurer Lori will bring a bid for an oil-based sealant to the next board meeting for review. This will be revisited March 2026.

Cemetery Fence and Tree Removal: Supervisor Bob recommends a split-rail fence; cheaper than vinyl. Recommendation to obtain 3 bids for tree removal, at the cemetery, this Spring 2026.

New Business:

Assessor Jessica attended via mobile phone, to provide her report. The BOR Resolution was presented, no changes with the exception of income standards (updated guidelines). Roll Call to accept the new resolution passed, with 5 yes, 0 no.

Assessor Jessica requested to set alternate dates for July and December 2026. She proposed alternate dates 07/22/2026 and 12/16/2026. The resolution was offered by Treasurer Lori to change the dates. Roll Call to accept the new resolution passed with 5 yes, 0 no.

BS&A credit card payments: Allpaid fees have increased, to pay online. BS&A fee is 2.8%, taxes automatically post, there are no fees to the township (they are passed to the consumer) and the equipment (credit card machine) is provided. A yearly contract is required. Supervisor Bob motioned to move forward with BS&A credit card payments, Trustee Vicki seconded. Motion carried. This will begin next tax season.

2025-2026 Budget Amendment: Due to the previous year's audit, the professional services bucket was short. Treasurer Lori recommends \$12k to cover the expenses. Supervisor Bob motioned to accept the amendment, Trustee Connie seconded. Motion carried.

2026-2027 Budget Review: Treasurer Lori advised we are doing well and should have Capital Gain.

The township pavilion has a large crack in the cement floor. Treasurer Lori has asked Ken Smith for a quote this Spring to repair it.

Guest Speaker/Public Comments:

Rick Helsick, of the Lake County Road Commission was present and advised it has been very busy due to weather and downed trees.

Bob Sanders of the Lake County Board of Commissioners was present and provide an update to their recent meeting.

Sheriff Martin of Lake County was present and provided updates to area situations and resolutions.

Close of the meeting was motioned by Supervisor Robert and seconded by Treasurer Lori. Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angie Guynn, Clerk