



**SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING  
SHERIDAN VILLAGE COUNCIL  
DECEMBER 8, 2009**

The special meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Pro-Tem Susan McFarland allowing residents to discuss any questions or concerns regarding the grant request for the Wright Plastic Products Inc. Infrastructure Project.

Present: Susan McFarland, Curt Sisson, Harold Arrington, Jim Perry, Don Nassif  
Absent: Brian Russel, Mark Bellinger

Guests: Franz Mogdis, Connie McKeown, Mary Bowdish

**Questions and Comments:**

- Why is the village having a public hearing now?
- The village was required to wait until the Notice of Intent was applied for and approved. It is also required to wait 15 days after the 'Notice to Public of No Significant Impact on the Environment and Notice to Public of Request for Release of Funds' has been published in the newspaper.
- There was also discussion concerning Williams & Works letter about the water table. To the village's knowledge the cost should remain the same. If not it may be necessary to wait to have the pump station put in at a later date.

Motion to close the special meeting at 7:10 P.M. by Nassif with Sisson supporting.  
Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Sheridan Village Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Brian Russel.

Present: Susan McFarland, Curt Sisson, Harold Arrington, Jim Perry, Don Nassif  
Absent: Mark Bellinger

Guests: Mary Ellen Lingeman, Mary Bowdish, John Johansen, Dennis Tissue, Franz Mogdis, Sheriff William Barnwell

Perry moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting with McFarland supporting. Motion carried.

Council reviewed bills for the general fund. Motion to approve by Sisson, supported by Nassif. Motion carried.

Council reviewed bills for the wastewater fund. Motion to approve by McFarland, supported by Nassif. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report made by Sisson, supported by Perry. Motion carried.

Members of the council reviewed the police report. Officer Kotenko informed the council that he had responded to routine calls. Residents at Sherman/Egan St. and Brian Geiger have been granted an additional 30 day extension on their ordinance violations.

Doug Lane let the council know that he has been keeping in line with the jail to use resources as needed.

Doreen Tissue gave the council a quote for Microsoft Expression Web 3 because FrontPage is no longer available. The quote from Casair was \$190.95 for the software and \$71.25 for installation. Russel stated we would keep this quote for future use.

Sheriff Barnwell was here to discuss the contract for police protection services for the village. He stated that he had spoken with Sgt. Bellinger about the village's concerns over being locked into a long-term contract. The Board of Commissioners made changes in the contract that gives either party the ability to terminate the contract at anytime with a 90-day notice. He clarified that the cost the Village of Sheridan pays for police protection has remained the same and the only difference is the stipulation of the cancellation policy. He also mentioned that he was happy that the village is utilizing the work crews. Motion to accept and sign the contract with the Montcalm County Sheriff Department for 3 years of police protection with the 90-day opt out made by McFarland, supported by Nassif.

Roll Call:

Russel: Yea

McFarland: Yea

Arrington: Yea

Nassif: Yea

Perry: Yea

Sisson: Yea

Motion carried

OLD BUSINESS:

Council was notified that the meter had been installed at Doug Willemin's December 1, 2009.

Discussion over needed software for the office: Tissue stated that there were still several accounts that she needed to balance before switching to different software would be possible. Russel suggested that Ali from Yeo & Yeo should come in to help get them straightened out. Motion by McFarland that if Ali was available to come in we would switch to QuickBooks Pro and if not we would upgrade the existing PeachTree software, supported by Perry. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Christmas and New Year's office hours: The Village Office will be closed on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> and December 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. McFarland suggested that Hersch be able to make up the lost hours from those days on other days. Council approved.

Performance Resolution for the Village of Sheridan is required by MDOT to submit the 2010 Annual Permit Application.

Motion by Nassif for resolution for MDOT so the Village of Sheridan can apply for permits to construct, operate, use and/or maintain utility or other facilities, or to conduct other activities, on, over, and under state trunkline right of way at various locations within and adjacent to its corporate limits. Brian Russel, Village President; Susan McFarland, President Pro-Tem; Marcia Hersch, Village Clerk; and Doreen Tissue, Village Treasurer are authorized to apply to MDOT for the necessary permits to work within state trunkline right of way on behalf of the Village of Sheridan. Motion supported by Sisson.

Roll Call:

Russel: Yea

McFarland: Yea

Arrington: Yea

Nassif: Yea

Perry: Yea

Sisson: Yea

Resolution passed.

Motion by Perry for a Resolution request from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission allowing Daniel J. Phenix to drop Dawn J. Phenix as partner in a 2009 Class C Licensed Business, located at 305 W. Main St., Sheridan, MI., supported by Sisson.

Roll Call:

Russel: Yea

McFarland: Yea

Arrington: Yea

Nassif: Yea

Perry: Yea

Sisson: Yea

Resolution passed.

Motion by Nassif for Resolution for Village of Sheridan and Wright Plastic Products Inc. Infrastructure Project:

Whereas, Wright Plastic Products, Inc. is in need of a new sewer line to handle existing sanitary sewer demands; and

Whereas, the Village of Sheridan has requested funding from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) to assist in covering the costs of said infrastructure improvements; and

Whereas, MEDC and the Michigan Strategic Fund has approved the Village of Sheridan's Notice of Intent requesting a \$108,000.00 economic development

infrastructure grant under the Michigan Community Block Grant (CDBG) program (Project # 209114-EDIG);

Now therefore be it resolved, that the village council of the Village of Sheridan authorizes the submission of the Michigan CDBG application for \$108,000.00; and

Be it further resolved, that the Village President, Brian Russel is authorized to sign the application forms; and

Be it further resolved, that the proposed project is consistent with the local community development plan as described in the application and that at least 51% of the beneficiaries of the proposed project will be low and moderate income persons; and

Finally, be it resolved that no project costs will be incurred prior to a formal grant award, completion of the environmental review procedures and formal, written authorization to incur costs is received from Community Development (MEDC).

Village of Sheridan Council action approving resolution following Public Hearing on December 8, 2009. Motion supported by Perry.

Roll Call:

Russel: Yea

McFarland: Yea

Arrington: Yea

Nassif: Yea

Perry: Yea

Sisson: Yea

Resolution passed.

Guest comments:

Dennis Tissue informed the council that they are pursuing an investigation into what is going on between Doreen and the Village of Sheridan. He made them aware that Doreen has information typed up and that the council is welcome to check the information at any time if any of them would like. He also stated that she would answer any questions the council members may have regarding the investigation. He also expressed his opinions of village employees.

John Johansen notified the council that:

Sidney Township failed and Evergreen Township passed their mini appraisals.

Montcalm County to create a transportation authority for public transportation matters.

Montcalm County also has a \$300,000.00 budget shortfall from revenue sharing.

Announcement of Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:

January 12, 2010, 7:30 P.M., Sheridan Village Office

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:15 by McFarland supported by Nassif. Meeting adjourned.

Marcia Hersch  
Village Clerk