

## Minutes of the March 2, 2026, Regular Board Meeting of Sherman Township

The regular scheduled meeting of the Sherman Township Board was held on Monday, March 2, 2026, at 7:00 pm, in the meeting room of the township hall. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Smalligan at 7:00 pm. After the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken and members present were Karen Berens, Doug Berens, Stan Stroven, Ken Smalligan, and Julie Berens (Dept. Clerk). Jamie Kukal – absent.

Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to approve the agenda as presented with the Clerks additions. All approved, motion passed.

Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to approve the minutes from February 2, 2026, with the correction of the date from January 2, 2026, to February 2, 2026, in the header of each page. All approved, motion passed.

There was no public comment at this time.

Richard Houtteman from Consumers Energy was in attendance to provide an update. Consumers Energy had to recall a fleet of trucks for maintenance due to an incident with a bucket truck. He stated that this has been an exceptionally hard winter for everyone. He also stated that the company will be contacting customers 65 years or older whose accounts are \$200 or more to review their accounts and help enroll them in a payment assistance plan as this winter is hitting the elderly hard who are on a fixed income.

Treasurer-Berens presented her report of outgoing funds. A Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to accept the Treasurer's report and authorize the payment of bills. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan. No; none. (J Kukal-absent) Motion passed. K Berens also stated that no transfer was needed for the cemetery budget as there is still a balance of \$3,000. K Berens received a revenue check today (03-02-26) in the amount of \$38,630.00. She also stated that the tax settlement date is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, 2026.

Clerk-J Kukal was absent, and J Berens (Dept. Clerk) presented on her behalf. Jamie had sent out documents for review to the Board prior to the meeting. There was a change for the Budget and 26-27 meeting dates. Correction was made to the Planning/Zoning Commission meeting from October 7, 2026, as it should have been October 14, 2026. The budget meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2026, at 6:30pm. The Public Accuracy Test Date is scheduled for April 20, 2026, at 6:00pm and a list of Election Inspectors was also presented.

Supervisor- Smalligan presented the proposal for Professional Public Hearing Assistance Services for Crystal Lake Aquatic Plant Control Program. A Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens for Smalligan to sign the proposal. All approved, motion passed. Smalligan also discussed the annual junk drive and a date of June 6, 2026, from 8:00am – 1:00pm was agreed upon.

There were no trustee reports at this time.

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Assessor-Story was not present, and no report was provided. The Board of Review meetings are scheduled for March 11 and 12, 2026.

Building inspector Smalligan reported 2 permits and 5 inspections for last month.

Zoning Administrator C Kukal confirmed 0 permits for the month. Kukal also stated that the issue with the property on 12<sup>th</sup> Street is moving along. The residents are off the premises and working on getting the trailer moved out soon.

Cemetery Report – Vonda Tollefson reported that it has been very quiet. The Toro lawnmower has gone in for service/maintenance.

Hall Rental and Maintenance – nothing to report.

White Cloud Sherman Utilities - Karen Koprolces reported that there was a meeting today (03-02-26) and they will be looking into repairs for the City of White Cloud. She also noted that Candance Dolt will be moving and they will need a new representative. They are also looking into the possibility of hiring an additional employee

For Fremont Fire District, K Berens reported billing \$649.78 and collecting \$0 last month.

For White Cloud Fire District, the Emergency Services Cost Recovery Ordinance was not agreed on as townships Lincoln, Everett and Wilcox have not yet agreed, and per S Stroven, all 4 townships (Sherman, Lincoln, Everett and Wilcox) must agree on the exact wording. Stan Stroven was appointed as the new Vice Chair.

There was no unfinished business at this time.

There was no public comment at this time.

There was no Board member comment at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm

Submitted by: Julie Berens–Deputy Clerk (on behalf of J Kukal)

Visitors present:	Wayne Berens	Karen Koprolces	Gary Smalligan
	Jerry Engel	Dale Berens	Chad Kukal
	Dick Chenard	Brett Derks	Richard Houtteman

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**Jamie Kukal, Sherman Township Clerk**

**Balance Sheet**

As of February 22, 2026

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<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
MASTER ACCOUNT		
101-001 · General Fund cash		410,037.46
203-001 · Mayo Drive cash		19,032.85
220-002 · Robinson Lake Cash		-1,687.21
221-001 · Crystal Lake Cash		36,411.36
336-001 · Fire protection millage Fr &...		28,083.94
Total MASTER ACCOUNT		491,878.40
151-001 · Cemetery cash		5,582.31
202-001 · Road Checking		67,215.63
249-001 · Capital acquisition cash		3,626.29
260-001 · Gerber FCU		
261-336 · Gerber Fire Runs Savings		6,808.34
263-001 · Gerber FCU ARPA Account		6.52
Total 260-001 · Gerber FCU		6,814.86
401-001 · Winter Tax Account		1,380,630.99
402-002 · Summer Tax Account		30,076.56
Total Checking/Savings		1,985,825.04
Total Current Assets		1,985,825.04
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>1,985,825.04</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>		<b>1,985,825.04</b>