

Minutes of the September 8, 2026, Regular Board Meeting of Sherman Township

The regular scheduled meeting of the Sherman Township Board was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 7:00 pm, in the meeting room of the township hall. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Smalligan at 7:01 pm. After the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken and members present were Karen Berens, Doug Berens, Stan Stroven, Ken Smalligan, and Jamie Kukal.

Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to approve the agenda with one addition of the open BOR seat. All approved, motion passed.

Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by D Berens to approve the minutes from August 3, 2026, as presented. All approved, motion passed.

There was no public comment at this time.

Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by K Berens to open the Public Hearing for Emergency Services Assessment. All approved and motion passed. The hearing was opened with a short overview given by S Stroven of his calculations on expected expenses. Motion was made by S Stroven and 2nd by K Berens to set the Emergency Services Special assessment levy at .92 mills. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal. No; none. Motion passed. Motion was made by K Berens and 2nd by D Berens to close the public hearing. All approved, motion passed.

Treasurer-Berens presented her report of outgoing funds highlighting insurance renewal payment for \$1,413 to Accident Fund Insurance Company. 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 and J Kukal. No; none. Motion passed. Berens reported the current revenue sharing check of \$33,221.

Clerk-J Kukal presented the recommendations for each committee for 2027 SADS. For Crystal Lake SAD, the recommended an assessment of \$227 per parcel. Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to accept the recommendation of \$227 per parcel for the Crystal Lake 2027 SAD. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal. No; none. Motion passed. For Robinson Lake, the recommendation was as listed below:

- Lakefront \$350.47
- Backlot \$70.09
- Channel \$297.9
- Water Easement \$262.85
- Lakefront Unbuildable \$52.57

Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to accept the recommendation as presented for the Robinson Lake 2027 SAD. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal. No; none. Motion passed For Mayo Dr, the recommendation was for no change and keep

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the assessment at \$220 per parcel. Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by K Berens to accept the recommendation of \$220 per parcel for the Mayo Dr 2027 SAD. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal. No; none. Motion passed

Finally, the addition of the open BOR position, is due to Richard Chenard's immediate resignation. Supervisor Smalligan had a letter of interest from Steven Johnson to fill the position for the remainder of the term. Motion was made by D Berens and 2nd by S Stroven to appoint Steven Johnson to the position for the remainder of the term. All approved, motion passed.

Supervisor- Smalligan reported on the Fremont School Resource Officer Program status and approval to continue by MTA and our lawyer to consider supporting the program with funds. An issue has been brought to light with the wording of Article 16 of the ordinance and will be recommended for amendment to the Planning and Zoning committee. Effective immediately, Brian Story is resigning from his position as Assessor, leaving the seat open. Since he was just reappointed in June, Supervisor Smalligan reached out to the other candidate from June for the open position. Terri Blake submitted a new letter of interest for the open Assessor's position. Motion was made by J Kukal and 2nd by S Stroven to bring Terri Blake on as assessor at the current rate of \$21,200/year or \$1,766.67 per month, until such time as the transition is completed to both Story and Blake's satisfaction. Upon transition completion Terri's rate would increase to \$25,500/ year or \$2,125/ month for the remainder of the position term. Roll call vote was taken. Yes; K Berens, D Berens, S Stroven, K Smalligan and J Kukal. No; none. Motion passed

There were no trustee reports.

Assessor-Story was not present, and no report was provided.

For Planning Commission, D Berens reported that they are working with Ryan Coffee on training options.

Building inspector Smalligan was not present, and no report was provided.

Zoning Administrator C Kukal was not present, and no report was provided.

Cemetery Report – none.

Hall Rental and Maintenance – None

White Cloud Sherman Utilities – monthly meeting next week due to holiday.

For Fremont Fire District, K Berens reported billing \$0 and collecting \$4,520 last month.

For White Cloud Fire District, S Stroven invited everyone to the open house Sept 15th.

There was no unfinished business at this time.

There was no public comment at this time.

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There was no Board member comment at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm

Submitted by: Clerk-Jamie Kukal

Visitors present:	Wayne Berens	Karen Koproles	Brett Derks
	Don Clark	Terri Blake	Tharen Blake

Jamie Kukal, Sherman Township Clerk Balance Sheet As of August 31, 2026

		Aug 31, 26
▼ ASSETS		
▼ Current Assets		
▼ Checking/Savings		
▼ MASTER ACCOUNT		
101-001 • General Fund cash		422,196.37
203-001 • Mayo Drive cash		22,952.85
220-002 • Robinson Lake Cash		17,637.85
221-001 • Crystal Lake Cash		39,036.86
336-001 • Fire protection millage Fr & WC		32,537.82
Total MASTER ACCOUNT		534,361.75
151-001 • Cemetery cash		7,371.39
202-001 • Road Checking		46,047.70
249-001 • Capital acquisition cash		3,626.29
▼ 260-001 • Gerber FCU		
261-336 • Gerber Fire Runs Savings		2,979.55
263-001 • Gerber FCU ARPA Account		6.52
Total 260-001 • Gerber FCU		2,986.07
401-001 • Winter Tax Account		3,027.41
402-002 • Summer Tax Account		217,066.34
Total Checking/Savings		814,486.95
Total Current Assets		814,486.95
TOTAL ASSETS		814,486.95
► LIABILITIES & EQUITY	►	814,486.95 ◀

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