

**TOWN OF SHADELAND**  
**Town Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.**

Council members present: Mike Kuipers, Bob Morrison, David Downey, Josh Shives, Tim Balensiefer, David Vanderkleed, Pamela Luenz, Clerk-Treasurer Charlene Brown and Attorney Stu Weliever.

The meeting was called to order by Mike Kuipers at 7:00PM at the Shadeland Fire Station.

**Election of Officers**

Dave V made the motion, David D second, all in favor to keep the same officers as prior year. Michael Kuipers as President, Tim Balensiefer 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Robert Morrison as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. David D made the motion, Dave V second to keep officers as indicated.

Mike Kuipers made the following appointments:

- Fire: Mike Kuipers, Pam Luenz
- Park: Dave Vanderkleed, Josh Shives, David Downey
- Planning: Bob Morrison, Josh Shives, Tim Balensiefer
- Roads: David Downey, Josh Shives, Mike Kuipers
- Redevelopment/TIF: Pam Luenz, Tim Balensiefer, Lloyd Leaman, Jeff Findlay, John Hack Sr, Brian Defreese – School Board

Pam made the motion and Josh second the motion to accept the December 14, 2021 minutes as presented. All in favor.

**Clerk-Treasurer's report**

David D made the motion to approve claims totaling \$33,661.74 as presented, Dave V second, all in favor.

Pam made the motion to approve December financials as presented, Tim second, all in favor.

Char presented Resolution 2022-01 – a resolution to transfer between appropriations within the same fund. David D made the motion, Pam second, all in favor

Char mentioned that she has completed the Annual Financial Report and emailed it out last week. Asked if anyone had any questions. Dave V made the motion to accept the Annual Financial Report as submitted, David D second, all in favor.

**Town Hall Complex:**

Ken brought forward a list of times for funding phone calls for the new Town Hall Complex. He is going to go to Lisa Lee and Matt Eckerle to see if there is a Tuesday or Thursday when Char is available to attend the meeting.

We are moving along on permitting with the State. We hope to put it out to bid in February. Ken is going to give a set of plans to the County before we bid in case they need any changes, and will officially apply for the building permit.

#### Community Crossings Matching Grant

Ken also presented an aerial shot of what we would like to do for our next community crossings matching grant to redo the intersection of SR 25 and CR 250. Also, a consideration is speed sign on either end of the town boundaries on SR 25. Tim made the motion, Bob seconded to ask Ken to proceed with the Community Crossings matching Grant.

#### Rental of Town Hall Meeting Room

We have had additional inquiries regarding renting the Town Hall meeting room. David D also indicated we have had two inquiries to use the ball field, in addition to the Southwestern Middle School recreation that normally uses the ball fields. It was decided to table the discussion and recommend the Parks committee make a recommendation for the Town Hall and ball field rentals.

#### Highway Department

Tom gave his report. He's been picking up trash at the Park and dead animals on the Road. Tom put gravel at the intersection of 250/550 and 175/550. The guardrail at 660 at the new culvert has been repaired. American paving has been out twice to spread salt and sand before anticipated freezing rain.

Tom put a snow plow bracket on the 2016 truck – the 2000 truck already had a snow plow bracket.

#### Park Committee

Dave V gave the Park's Committee report. The new pond and the new area of the park is in the works.

#### Planning report – Tim Balensiefer

Burnell Pit is still on the agenda to discuss at the next planning committee.

Vester and associates is requesting a parcelization for the location at 4736 CR 375 W adding a parcel encompassing the home that is there. The remainder of the parcel is around 47 acres. This makes tract 3 of 6 available tracts. Upon receipt of a corrected plan, Dave V made the motion we approve the parcelization as presented, David D second. Josh abstained, Pam, Tim, Bob, David D, and Dave V approved.

#### Fire report – Pam Luenz and Kevin Vanschepen

Kevin gave the fire report. They had 172 emergency runs in 2021, 130 EMS, 42 fire.

#### Citizen Comments

Janelle Dyer presented a Tipmont map regarding security lights in Chesapeake Landing. There are 15, however not all of them are listed on the map she provided, and there are additional items on the map that aren't what the HOA is requesting.

Council / Clerk / Attorney comments

Tim presented the County's proposal for repairing bridges 64/65 in Shadeland, set to begin in October 2024. The County is willing to let Shadeland make payments on the Town's share, 5 year repayment plan is capped at \$534,000. There is an 8 year repayment plan that would likely cost more. Dave V made the motion we accept their 5 year plan capped at \$534,000. Pam asked why the County is requiring we pay so much, as in the past the Town has been told that Shadeland doesn't own the bridge, and we shouldn't concern ourselves with the bridges. David D explained that they are also widening the hill, putting in guardrails all along the hill, and other improvements to the area. Bob second the motion, all in favor.

Char is requesting we reestablish the CCD Fund with Stu's assistance.

Char asked if we needed to proceed with the septic business on Smith Drive. David D made the motion to pursue litigation against the property. Pam second the motion. All in favor.

David D made the motion to adjourn, Pam second, all in favor to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Approved:




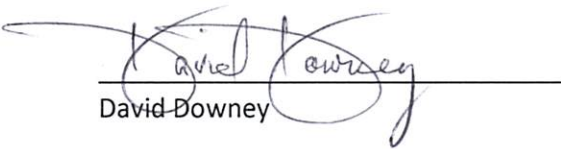
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