REGULAR MEETING TOWN OF SHERMAN,
February 2, 2023

A regular meeting of the Town of Sherman Board was held on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at the Town of Sherman Office, 111A Mill St, Town of Sherman, Chautauqua County, New York at 7:00 PM.

Present:	Mark Persons	Supervisor
	James L. Higginbotham	Council Member
	Brant Henning	Council Member
	Ben Nickerson	Council Member
	Howard E. Crump	Council Member
	Tamera M Weise	Town Clerk
	Dennis Sweatman	Highway Superintendent

Guest: Town Attorney Joel Seacrist, Lauren Sharp – Junior Planner, Chaut. Co Dept. of Planning & Development, Marty Proctor – County Legislator, Town/Village Residence: Gary Emory, Melisa & Greg Gormley, Patrick Sweatman, Jay Erwin, Kyle Rhebergan, and Dennis Watson.

Supervisor Mark Persons called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge to the flag.

- Lauran Sharp, Junior Planner, Chautauqua County Department of Planning & Development brought to the board's attention that Agricultural District 7 is up for its Eight-Year Review in 2023. Chautauqua County has designated March 1st through March 31st as the thirty (30) day public review period for the eight year review.
- Town Resident Greg Rater shared his ideas on Hydro Electric rather than Solar Energy.

*Greg Osman – CEO gave his monthly report as follows:
Number of inspections for January are 12
Number of inspections this year are 12
Number of Permits issued for January are 0
Number of Permits for this year are 0
Dollar Amount of Permits for January are 0
Dollar amount of Building this year are 0
Miles traveled for 75

RESOLUTION #5
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Councilman Howard Crump made the motion, seconded by Councilman James Higginbotham to approve the minutes from the January 2023 meeting.
MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #6
ABSTRACTS/CLAIMS
Councilman Ben Nickerson made the motion, seconded by Councilman James Higginbotham to approve payment of General Claims #15 through #30 in the amount of $25,837.32. Highway Claims #3 through #10 in the amount of $14,069.72.

MOTION CARRIED

JUDGE'S REPORT – NO REPORT

CLERK/REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Clerk Weise had nothing to report.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

January Assessor Report

- There were 6 transfers for the month of December
- 2023 CAP 4 Reassessment update: Land valuation documents have been reviewed and values confirmed.
- Residential documents are being analyzed for accuracy before being printed at this time.
- Agricultural an AGED exemption renewal applications have been mailed. There are 187 Ag exemptions and 4 AGED exemptions requiring annual renewal.
- **New notification requirement regarding senior citizens exemption**
  On December 23, Governor Hochul signed into law Chapter 738 of the Laws of 2022. The new law requires a second copy of the notice required by Real Property Tax Law 467, Subsection 4 to be sent 30 days prior to the filing deadline.
  What this means for the Department of Assessments: I am required to create and mail a form letter all persons reported to me by ORPTS that are possibly eligible for the senior/low income AGED exemption. The report is generated by ORPTS using income tax return information. Persons reported to me are 65 or older and have an adjusted gross income below 58, 400. I do not receive a report of people over 65 that DON'T file a tax return, therefore they cannot be included in the mailing. The current income threshold for the county is 22,000. This mailing will likely get a lot of attention for many reasons, as you can imagine.

- Field review of residential market documents will begin once they have been printed.
- Requests for information:
  NONE TO REPORT

Thank you all for your continued support.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Highway Superintendent Dennis Sweatman presented the following to the Board:

- Dennis received a quote from Triple E Manufacturing on the 3 X 3 metal "Welcome to Town of Sherman5" for $225.00 per sign.

RESOLUTION #7
Councilman Brant Henning made the motions, seconded by Councilman Howard Crump to accept the quote from Triple E Manufacturing and order 6 "Welcome to The Town of Sherman" signs at a cost of $225 ea.

MOTION CARRIED

SUPERVISOR-

- Supervisor Mark Persons distributed copies of **LOCAL LAW NO.1 OF 2023 A LOCAL LAW MODIFYING THE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS** to the Town Board members asking them to look it over and let him know their thoughts/concerns of the modifications before February 15th.

RESOLUTION #8
Councilman James Higginbotham made the motion, seconded by Councilman Ben Nickerson to schedule the **Public Hearing for Local Law No. 1 OF 2023, A LOCAL LAW MODIFYING THE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS** for March 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. to be held at The Town Office Building, 111A Mill St., Sherman NY.

- Supervisor Mark Persons has been in contact with Town Historian Annette Swan. Annette has been working on putting hers and others ideas together for The Bicentennial Celebration scheduled for Sat. August 5, 2023.

Councilman Howard Crump made the motion to adjourn the meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tamera M Weise
Sherman Town Clerk