

**Town of Sherman  
Board of Selectmen Monthly Meeting  
Charter Hall and Zoom  
January 22, 2026 at 7PM**

**Present:** First Selectman Don Lowe; Selectman Joel Bruzinski; Selectman Bob Ostrosky; Treasurer Andrea Maloney

**Absent:**

**Invited & Audience:** Business Manager Liz LaVia; PW Supervisor Kris Fazzino; Jean Robbins; Tim Laughlin; Jennifer Heaton-Jones

**Clerk:** Nicole Zegley

**Call to Order:** First Selectman Don Lowe called the meeting to order at 7:00PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Motion was made to move agenda item H - Electrical Upgrade at the Sherman Playhouse, to follow Public Comment.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Joel Bruzinsky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to add to the agenda item I - Dock Repair.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

**2. Public Comment:** None

**3. Correspondence:**

**4. Administrative Items:**

**Approval of December 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

**Motioned By:** Selectman Joel Bruzinski

**Seconded By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

**Approval of January 8, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes**

**Motioned By:** Selectman Joel Bruzinski

**Seconded By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

**Financial Review:** Business Manager Liz LaVia updated the Board that everything is tracking as normal. The 2024/2025 financials have been completed and filed with the state. The budget process will begin next week.

**Tax Refunds:** First Selectman Don Lowe announced the tax refunds for approval.

A Motion was made to approve a tax refund in the amount of \$.

**Motioned By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**Seconded By:** Selectman Joel Bruzinski

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

**Acknowledgments/Appointments:**

**Sherman Senior Center Building Committee**

A Motion was made to reappoint Stan Greenbaum as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint TJ Fazzino as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Kris Fazzino as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to appoint Patrick Dillet as a commissioner replacing Rachel Booth for a remaining term ending 1/1/2028.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Michael Humphreys as a full commissioner for 4 years, term ending 1/1/2030.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Bill McCann as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Colette Schulman as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Breezy Grenier as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Joel Bruzinski

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Don Lowe as Sherman delegate concurrent with elected term.

**Motioned By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**Seconded By:** Selectman Joel Bruzinski

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Ruth Byrnes as Sherman's alternate delegate concurrent with the First Selectman's elected term.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

A Motion was made to reappoint Janet Wey as a commissioner for 3 years, term ending 1/1/2029.

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded By:** Selectman Bob Ostrosky

**All in Favor:** Unanimous

#### **4. Information & Discussion:**

- a. **SVFD:** Fire Chief Chris Fuchs was not present with an update, but First Selectman Don Lowe expressed how busy they had been lately. Member Kris Fazzone added that tree sales sold out in record time (3 days) at \$50 a tree. Call coverage has increased with more responders. The pancake breakfast was also a successful and free event for the town.

**b. Public Works:** PW Supervisor Kris Fazzino updated the board that tree work is ongoing as they have been working continuously with Gentile. More than 11 loads of wood from the tree cutting surplus has been delivered to residents. PW Supervisor Kris Fazzino clarified that the wood is unprocessed (log length, not split). The new loader has been working out well, an excellent purchase for the town. He continued by informing the Board that sand will need to be purchased this year. Almost a full bin of salt sand has been used with the storms to date. Maintenance and a motor replacement to one of the sanders was performed. As well as, prepping an old plow to be a backup.

**c. HRRRA Update:** First Selectman Don Lowe updated

**d. Hearing Enhancement for Mallory Town Hall Meeting Room:**

**e. Dock Repair:**

**f. Sherman School Renovation Project Update:**

**g. Sherman Senior Center Building Committee Update:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**h. Community Connectivity Project:**

**i. Electronic Signs, Possible Purchase:**

**j. Playhouse Power Upgrade, Possible Town Meeting:**

**k. State Housing Bill Report:**

l.

**Other Business:**

**Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:**

**Motioned By:** First Selectman Don Lowe

**Seconded:** Selectman Joel Bruzinski

**Time:** PM

Respectfully Submitted By Nicole Zegley