



**Town of Sherman
Board of Selectman
Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, September 24, 2026, 7:00 p.m.
Mallory Town Hall**

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Members Present: First Selectman, D. Lowe, Selectman J. Bruzinski and Selectman B. Ostrosky

Audience & Invited: Social Services L. Gomez, P.W. Supervisor Kr. Fazzone, P.& R. S. Greenbaum, N. Fall,
Business Manager L. LaVia

1. **CALL TO ORDER** First Selectman D. Lowe Called the Meeting to Order at 7:01 p.m.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

S. Greenbaum- 9 Peace Pipe Lane- requested that representative Patrick Dillett of Parks & Recreations Commission be appointed to the Senior Center Planning Committee.

3. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

4. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

A. **Approval of Minutes:**

BoS Regular Meeting August 27, 2026

Selectman D. Lowe Moved to Approve the Minutes of BoS Regular Meeting of August 27, 2026 as written.

Seconded by: J. Bruzinski

Vote: For: Unanimous

B. **Financial Review:**

Business Administrator, L. LaVia reported tracking the current Budget is as expected. The auditors completed phase one of the audit. Phases two and three are underway.

C. **Tax Refunds:**

D. Lowe Moved to Approve a Tax Refund in the amount of \$ 37,491.27

Seconded by: J. Bruzinski

Vote: For: Unanimous

D. **Acknowledgements/ Appointments:**

Aquarion Water Authority-

D. Lowe Moved to Appoint Aldo Pascarella to serve as a representative of Sherman on the Policy Board of the Aquarion Water Authority, exp. 12/31/2027.

Seconded by: B. Ostrosky

Vote: For: Unanimous

Commission on Aging-

D. Lowe Moved to Appoint Paul Janeg to serve as a representative of the Sherman Commission on Aging for a three year term, exp. 01/01/2029.

Seconded by: J. Bruzinski

Vote: For: Unanimous

5. INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:

A. SVFD monthly report:

Fire Chief, C. Fuchs was unable to attend, however provided correspondence which was read into record. Chief, Fuchs reported it has been a busy month. Members responded to many Ambulance calls, several search and rescue incidents and numerous alarm calls. Members have been training on the use of hose line advancement, search and rescue navigation, and geriatric medical emergencies. SVFD was selected to be 2026 Volunteer EMS Service of the Year award by the EMS World organization. This is a distinct honor for our all-volunteer Department. Officers and members are readying apparatus and equipment ahead of the pending storm this weekend.

B. Park & Recreations Capital Request for fencing and dug out roofing:

P&Z Commissioner, Kr. Fazzone reported several items under Capital Requests- posts and wiring for fencing at Veterans Field, backstop extension, and backstop / dugout fencing. Mr. Fazzone stated they may remove the item to add fencing from the backstop to the dugout. There is an additional request to replace the existing roofing on the dugouts. The funding to complete the new fencing and dugout roofing will be paid out of the P&R programs fees account.

C. Public Works Report:

Supervisor, Kr. Fazzone reported emergency tree work that was done overnight on Anderson Road and Hubbell Mountain Road. There will be scheduled patching and improvements along Wakeman Hill, Cozier, Wanzer, Holiday Point and Jericho Roads. The crew has started to do catch basin clean out along Anderson Road, there is no date set to perform milling.

D. Public Works Truck:

Supervisor, Kr. Fazzone reviewed the pricing quote for the new Ford F600 truck, they will be installing a stainless steel mason dump. Production is running behind so the truck is not anticipated to be completed for this winter.

E. Public Works Government Bid Items:

Supervisor, Kr. Fazzone briefly discussed the items that are up for auction.

F. Upcoming Road Resurfacing Decisions:

The Board discussed the following for Capital Fund planning. Supervisor, Kr. Fazzone discussed the initial pricing. Mr. Fazzone discussed Cozier Hill Extension, Chestnut Hill, and from Sherwood Hills turnaround. **Farm Road will need some attention as well. All of the projects will need to go out for bid.**

G. New Server Purchase:

Business Manager, L. LaVia stated she was advised that a new server is needed. Discussion took place regarding whether a new server or cloud technology would best serve the needs of the Town.

H. Sherman School Renovations:

The Board briefly discussed updates to the hvac system.

I. Sherman Senior Center Committee Update:

First Selectman D. Lowe stated the next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2026- there are hopes to meet with the Architect and site engineer to go over site plan details. From the audience, P&R Commissioner S. Greenbaum requested the appointment of a Parks & Recreation Commissioner to the Board.

J. Mallory Town Hall Security:

First Selectman D. Lowe stated there are three quotes coming in. This item will stay on the Agenda for further discussion.

K. Council of Governments (COGS):

The Board discussed the pros and cons of belonging to WestCOG which serves Fairfield County. Discussion took place regarding what it would take to switch to the NorthwestCOG, which seems to be a better fit for the size of Sherman.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Board of Selectman discussed keeping monthly updates to the Budget and Capital Plans on the Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

S. Greenbaum- 9 Peace Pipe Lane- stated he is strongly in favor of switching from WestCOG to NorthwestCOG.

J. Maloney- 5 Benchmark Lane- stated he agrees and supports switching COG's to NorthwestCOG. Mr. Maloney expanded on his statement and made himself available for any further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

D. Lowe Adjourned the Meeting at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Christine Branson
October 2, 2026