**Town of Milladore Supervisors Meeting**

**September 7, 2025**

**Minutes**

Board Members Present: Chair Ned Ruesch, Supervisor Joel Kuehnhold, Supervisor Ron Koziczkowski, Clerk Leslianne Ruesch, Treasurer Terri Grassel

Citizens Present: Bob Ashbeck, Jay Stuttgen, Connie Smith, Jessica Mannise

The meeting was called to order with The Pledge of Allegiance by Chair Ned Ruesch.

The secretary report was read. A motion was moved by Supervisor Joel Kuehnhold to approve the secretary report as read. Seconded by Supervisor Ron Koziczkowski. Motion approved.

The Treasurer report was received.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Old Business:

The new contract with The Auburndale Fire Department has been signed by The Village and Town of Auburndale. The board would like recorded that when they attended the joint meeting between the Village of Auburndale/Town of Auburndale concerning the Milladore contract on August 11, 2025, there were members of the Sherry Fire Department present, and Sherry Fire Department EMT Director/Treasurer, Vic Kryzkowski informed the public that Sherry Fire Department will not provide mutual aid, ie: come to any fire or emergency in the Town of Milladore if the Village and Town of Auburndale honored Milladore’s contract.

The clerk has been working closely with the Rural Mutual attorney on the lawsuit filed by Emery Nigh who lost his glasses at the joint recycling center. It is set to be heard in front of the small claims court judge on September 9, 2025.

New Business:

There have been multiple reports to the board of issues within The Blenker Sherry Sanitary District. Tonight, one of our citizens is here to share their concerns. They brought pictures of the raw sewage that has been spewing into their bathtub and toilet. The resident reported they have had the sanitary department come out multiple times in recent months to attempt to fix this. The board stated they became aware of this situation the last week in August when the resident called and asked for help, as the sanitary operator in charge was refusing to come back to their residence and fix the situation. The resident also informed the board at that time the OIC had become belligerent with the resident, cussing and hanging up on them. The board stated that upon hearing the severity of the complaint in August and knowing this young family with children were living in a house with no usable bathroom and raw sewage coming into their house through the pipes, they sent a licensed plumber to the resident’s house. One of our supervisors accompanied the plumber to assess and document the situation. The supervisor confirmed the conditions described. The plumber was unable to help the family because of the older pump installed and the sewer lines which were described as cobbled together. The plumber was unaware if there are parts still made for this type of pump but believed that the OIC had parts for it at the sanitary department. The board reported they began searching for parts to fix the pump by calling supply stores, as did the homeowners. The homeowners were able to find new fuses for the non-working pump, and the board advised them if they wanted to attempt to replace the fuses to give the board a copy of the receipt for reimbursement. The resident replaced the fuses, however in the middle of the night they were woken up by the overwhelming sewer fumes as the pump had failed and backed up into the house again. The board reached out to one of the sanitary operators and asked for help. They were told that OIC Vic Kryzkowski had told this operator he was not allowed to go to that house and work on their sewer pump and that Milladore didn’t pay their sanitary bills. The clerk let the operator know this was absolutely false and we have cancelled checks going back to 2019 showing that every year we have made a payment to the sanitary district as required for sewer delinquencies and have no legitimate outstanding bill. The clerk also advised that if the sanitary department did not attend to the resident’s sewer in the next 24 hours the board would be reaching out to law enforcement as this violated multiple rules. The resident reported the sanitary department came and fixed their pump. The board has received additional reports from other residents about melted capacitors and no nuts installed on their pumps, and covers left off. They also received reports from other residents of payments made not reflected onto their bill, and in at least one case, the residents were put on the tax roll for payments they had made. Believing there were more problems than previously aware of with the sanitary district, the board directed the town attorney to send an open records request to The Blenker Sherry Sanitary District on September 2, 2025. The board is seeking all financial information, proof of elections or appointments of commissioners, oaths of offices taken by commissioners, inventory of all assets, certification of operators, etc.

The board has been asked to update their Uniform Dwelling Code ordinance by DSPS due to it being more than 5 years old. A motion was moved by Ned to accept the copy of specific wording from DSPS. Seconded by Ron. Motion approved. It was signed by the board.

Road Repair Concerns:

There have been numerous reports of damage done by ATV’s on Brookside Road where new granite was just laid. This is the same area where signs have been vandalized in the past month. We have notified the Wood County Sheriff Department.

It is reported that for the first time in recent months we have been able to fully staff The Sherry Milladore Recycling Center.

Public Comment was had.

A motion was moved by Ned to pay bills. Seconded by Ron. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 5, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Milladore Town Hall, 3720 County Road P.

A motion was moved by Ned to adjourn. Seconded by Joel. Meeting adjourned.