

MINUTES

Reese Village Council
2073 Gates Street
September 11, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance: In the Municipal Building, President Keast called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call: President Paul Keast, Trustees Present: Doug Squanda, Darryl Tafoya, Pete Bouvy, Brian Weihl, Jeff Skias and Matt Bouvy

Absent: Thomas Raymond

Staff Present: Clerk Courtney Owens
Officer Mathew Rietz

Guests in Attendance: Darcie Shelagowski

Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda: **Motion** by Tafoya, 2nd by Squanda to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Adoption of Minutes from meeting held August 14, 2023: **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2nd by Weihl, to adopt the minutes of August 14, 2023, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

Consent Agenda: **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2nd by Skias, to accept the reports from Village Manager, Police Dept., DPW & Reese Fire/Rescue. Skias thanked Officer Reitz for the hard work they are putting in and tickets they are writing. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: **Motion** by Squanda, 2nd by Tafoya, to accept the reports from Reese Fire Rescue, Blumfield Reese Water Authority and Denmark Township **Motion carried unanimously.**

Letters to the Trustees – None

Approval of Check Listing: **Motion** by P. Bovy, 2nd by M. Bouvy to accept check listing #'s 22476 to 22511 totaling \$75,800.17 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:

- A. Audit Review – Darcie Shelagowski from Berthiaume and Company was present to review the 2022-2023 audit. Darcie presented a standard unmodified opinion audit. P. Bouvy asked who gives us that opinion and Darcie stated that they (Berthiaume and Company) issue that. Major street had a decrease in fund balance, but this was due to two large equipment purchases. The Village has no large purchases scheduled for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, so the auditor is not overly concerned with that decrease. M. Bouvy inquired about what percent we should have in the fund balance. Darcie stated that the GEFOA suggests a fund balance of 20-25% of annual expenses. Darcie also informed council that the amount in our bank account is over the FDIC insured amount of \$250,000 and is something we make want to think about.
- B. Storm Drain Issues M-81 and Gugino St. – In Manager Raymond’s absence, President Keast updated Council. There is an unfinished drain along M-81 at the railroad tracks that we are hoping to finish and solve some of the issues. Spicer is continuing to work out a plan.

New Business

- A. Tree Removal Request at 1837 Meridian St. – **Motion** by Skias, 2nd by Wehl to remove the tree at 1837 Meridian. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comments: None

Items for next agenda:

Storm drain at M-81 and Gugino St.
Painting of Street Lights

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney Owens, Clerk

Approved By: Courtney Owens Date: 10-9-23