

MINUTES

Reese Village Council
2073 Gates Street
July 13, 2020
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: Pete Bouvy, Doug Squanda, Jeff Skias, Devin Elbers and Bob Godi.

Absent: Brian Weihl

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Chris Ranney
Village Manager Thomas Raymond

Guests in Attendance: 3

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

Adoption of Minutes from meetings held May 11, 2020: Motion by Elbers, 2nd by Squanda, to adopt the minutes of May 11, 2020. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None Scheduled

Consent Agenda: Motion by Squanda, 2nd by Skias, to accept the reports from Fire Department, Police Department, Village Manager, and DPW. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: Motion by Bouvy, 2nd by - Skias to accept the reports from Blumfield Reese Water Authority, Community Park, Reese ZBA, Denmark Twp., and Reese Fire/Rescue. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Letters to the Trustees – None

Approval of Check Listing: Motion by Bouvy, 2nd by Elbers to accept check listing #19968 to 20083 totaling \$157,332.91 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:

- A. SAW Grant Status – Manager Raymond has a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 21, 2020. Daley Dr. will be discussed as well as all the data collected by Spicers. Manager Raymond welcomed members of the council to join.

New Business

- A. Tree Removal: The Village received four requests to remove trees, on property rights-of-way. The Village of Reese has always maintained the understanding that a tree is not taken down unless that is the only option for safety. After a brief discussion about each tree, **Motion** by Squanda, 2nd by Skias to:

9700 Walnut – No action taken

9716 Rohloff Dr – Remove tree

1924 Willow – No action taken

S/E corner of M81 & Van Buren – Remove tree

Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Air Packs for Reese Fire – Manager Raymond discussed options and gave the council a quote to review. The council is investigating grant opportunities as well. Matter is tabled until Aug. 10, 2020 Council Meeting.
- C. Manager Evaluations – Manager Raymond opted to have his evaluations read during open council. Manager Raymond received a 4.0 (Above Average) out of a possible 5. **Motion** by Godi, 2nd by Elbers to accept the Manager's evaluation result. **Motion carried unanimously.** Manager Raymond says he looks forward to serving The Village of Reese as Manager.
- D. C.D Roll over – After a brief discussion and reviewing rates from three banking institutions, **Motion** by Skias, 2 by Elbers to have Deputy Clerk Gray open an account with Frankenmuth Credit Union; where President Keast, Clerk/Treasurer Chris Ranney and Deputy Clerk Bonnie Gray will provide the necessary information to be signers on the account. In the

account, the Village will invest \$119,498.01 into an 11-month CD at an interest rate of 0.85%. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- E. Ordinance #73 – Consumers Energy Franchise Agreement – Allows Consumers to work within the Rights of way in the Village. **Motion** by Godi, 2nd by Squanda to accept Ordinance #73. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- F. DTE Streetlights M-81 – **Motion** by Elbers, 2nd by Skias to contract with DTE for the purchase and installation of 60 – 100-watt HPS UG to 58 – watt LED UG bulbs along M-81 at a price of \$13,920.00. The energy reduction savings is scheduled to pay for these improvements in 4.92 years. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- G. Parks and Rec – Parks liaison – Jeff Skias discussed a few of the Parks Depts. ideas for improvements, including concrete work around the pavilion, painting concession stand and the park sign at the Van Buren entrance. **Motion** by Skias, 2nd by Elbers to contract with Nick’s Construction for the concrete work around the pavilion for \$6,800.00. **Motion carried unanimously.** The council also authorized Echo Ranney to coordinate with High School students looking for community hours, for the painting in the park.

- H. Daley Dr. Storm Drains – Village has received a preliminary opinion of cost for the project. By common consent, the council will allow the Village Manager to send a letter to the residents in that district.

- I. Employee Handbook – Council members were given a copy of the updated Employee handbook. Council will review and discuss at the Aug. 10, 2020 Council Meeting.

Public Comments

Ron Avery BRWA – Ron reports a new connection on Dixon, and reported all fire hydrants in the Village were cleaned and painted this summer.

Thad Fisk, a village resident inquired about the effectiveness of the storm drains around his house after the heavy rain on July 10, 2020 flooded his yard. Manager Raymond assured Thad that nothing had failed in the system, there was just too much rain in a short time.

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Miscellaneous:

Nothing was discussed

Items for next agenda:

SAW Grant
Reese Community Parks & Rec.
Fire Rescue Air packs
Employee Handbook
Annexation into the Village

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chris Ranney, Clerk

Approved By:

 Chris Ranney, Clerk

Date: August 10, 2020