

## MINUTES

Reese Village Council  
2073 Gates Street  
Aug. 09, 2021  
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, Brian Weihl, Matt Bouvy, Pete Bouvy and Darryl Taoya.

**Absent:** Councilperson Jeff Skias  
Village Manager Thomas Raymond

**Staff Present:** Clerk/Treasurer Chris Ranney  
Police Chief Hadd  
Administrative Assistant Bonnie Gray

**Guests in Attendance:** Charles Heinlein, David & Mary Beth Salo, Amy Goss, Bertha Cheshire, Deva Weber, and Echo Ranney

**Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda: Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl to approve the agenda, once corrected to include Parks Dept. in Public Comments. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Adoption of Minutes from meetings held July 12, 2021: Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Squanda, to adopt the minutes of July 12, 2021, once corrections are completed. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Parks Dept. member Deva Weber addressed the council. The Parks Department committee members would like clarification from the council on the roles and responsibilities of the Village Manager regarding the Parks Dept., specifically grant writing. The members would also like to see a monthly budget for the Parks Dept. and an alternate councilperson liaison when councilperson Skias is not able to attend the Parks Dept. meetings. Deva also made mention that Jacob Dohrmann is planning an RC Track presentation for the next council meeting.

**Consent Agenda: Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Bouvy, to accept the reports from Village Manager, Police Dept., DPW (2) & Reese Fire/Rescue. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions:** Motion by Weihl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to accept the report from Reese Fire Rescue, Blumfield Reese Water Authority, Reese Parks & Rec, Planning Commission and Reese Unity Library. Motion carried unanimously.

**Letters to the Trustees** – None

**Approval of Check Listing:** Motion by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Squanda to accept check listing #s 20861 to 20921 totaling \$100,264.97 for fund accounts. Motion carried unanimously.

**Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:**

- A. Parks & Rec – Public Comments
- B. UTVs – The committee established to consider allowing UTVs within the Village of Reese met. It was decided by the committee members to not move forward with allowing UTVs within the Village. By common consent of the council, no action is being taken with the current ordinance that disallows UTVs in the village. UTVs may be allowed on village streets during “special events”.
- C. Rapid Information System – The committee formed to investigate these systems met and they are still collecting data and costs associated. The committee is hoping all the information will be available to council at the next council meeting.
- D. Streetlights – Manager Raymond is resuming talks with DTE. President Keast recapped the events leading up to our current situation with the M-81 streetlights.

**New Business**

- A. Lot Combination: Bader Dr. – **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Squanda to allow for the combination of Parcels 042-500-150-0700-00 & 042-500-150-0600-00. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- B. Manager’s Contract – Council was provided a copy of the current Village Manager Agreement for reference as President Keast read through the sections that Manager Raymond and President Keast have discussed for alterations in the new contract. Manager Raymond would like to be available to the village more each week and is asking for a 25-hour work week as opposed to the 20-hour currently. Manager Raymond would also like to extend the next contract to 3-year as opposed to the 2-year current contract that expires Oct. 10, 2021. President Keast lead a discussion with council regarding the Village Manager’s Pay, roles/responsibilities, and leave time. After a brief discussion President Keast, Councilperson P. Bouvy and Councilperson M. Bouvy will meet as a committee and report back to the council at the next council meeting.

**Public Comments - None**

**Miscellaneous: None**

**Items for next agenda:**

Streetlights  
Reese Community Parks & Rec.  
Rapid Information Systems  
Village Audit presentation from Ken Berthiaume, CPA  
Village Manager Contract

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chris Ranney, Clerk

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_



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