

MINUTES

Reese Village Council
2073 Gates Street
November 08, 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, Jeff Skias, Pete Bouvy and Darryl Tafoya.

Absent: None

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

Guests in Attendance: Jim; Energy Reduction Collation Group.

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

Adoption of Minutes from meetings held October 11, 2021: **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2nd by Weihl, to adopt the minutes of October 11, 2021, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Nothing Scheduled

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

Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: **Motion** by Skias, 2nd by P. Bouvy to accept the report from Denmark Twp., Reese Fire Rescue, Blumfield Reese Water Authority, Reese Parks & Rec, Planning Commission (no meeting minutes) and Reese Unity District Library. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Letters to the Trustees – Letter from Reese Beautification Association stating; due to the decline in membership and inclining age of many of the members, the association will be unable to maintain many of the areas they previously cleaned up and maintained. The members will continue to decorate the areas for seasons

and holidays with the continued donations received through the annual geranium fundraising sale. Manager Raymond and President Keast will be working with council for a solution to get these areas cleaned up. President Keast expressed appreciation from the community for all the Beautification Association does for the community.

Approval of Check Listing: Motion by P. Bouvy, 2nd by M. Bouvy to accept check listing #s 21048 to 21105 totaling \$92,504.75 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:

- A. Rapid Information System – Tuscola County will discuss during their Safety meeting the potential for Reese to join their Rapid Information System.
- B. Streetlights – Jim was present on behalf of the Energy Reduction Collation to discuss the details of the program with council. Although there is not a solution for the M-81 light poles currently, Jim is proposing the village convert all village hall lights to new low voltage LED lights. The Collation is paid by a calculation of the savings the Village of Reese receives from using the low voltage lights. **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2nd by Squanda to allow the Village of Reese to contract with the Energy Reduction Collation for the conversion of the Municipality lights to low voltage LED lights. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. Park & Rec. – Manager Raymond brought attention to the 1st Annual Truck or Treat's success. There were estimates of 600 + kids present for the event that was organized and directed by a small group of community members. Parks & Rec. liaison Skias asked if the village has been notified of a date for sealcoating the area for the RC track. Manager Raymond will check with DPW supervisor, as they will be notified first to remove a section of the fence. Manager Raymond was not sure if Yeager would have the ability to complete the project this fall. Councilperson P. Bouvy questioned the lights in the park at night, Manager Raymond and the DPW are checking into possible electrical issues.
- D. Category B Grant – Manager Raymond will be meeting with the project engineer and a representative from the State on the details of the project. Engineers are already surveying within the village. Manager Raymond expects the Engineering firm hired will be dealing with most of the day-to-day discussions.

New Business

- A. HAP Health Plan Insurance Renewal – No change in Plans or coverage, however a renewal will have a 3.88% increase in costs. **Motion** by Squanda, 2nd by Weihl to renew the HAP Health Plan for 2022. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- B. Reese Fire/Rescue Officers and Members List – **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2nd to Weihl to accept the Reese Fire/Rescue Officers and Members List as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- C. Automatic Bill Payment/Withdrawal Fees – Village of Reese Billing Clerk; Courtney Owens is seeking approval for an auto pay program for village garbage/sewer bills. The fees associated with the program will be offset with the cost saving of not sending postcard invoices to those in the program. **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2nd by Skias to approve the auto pay program. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comments - None

Miscellaneous: Christmas Walk in the Village of Reese, Saturday Dec. 11, 2021.

Items for next agenda:

Streetlights
Reese Community Parks & Rec.
Rapid Information System
Category B Grant

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chris Ranney, Clerk

Approved By: _____



Date: 12/13/2021