

MINUTES

Reese Village Council
2073 Gates Street
December 14, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance: In a Virtual Zoom Meeting, 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 Wehl, Jeff Skias, Devin Elbers and Matt Bouvy.

Absent: 0

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

Guests in Attendance: 1

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

Adoption of Minutes from meetings held November 09, 2020 & November 12, 2020: Motion by Skias, 2nd by Squanda, to adopt the minutes of November 09, 2020 & November 12, 2020 as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Scheduled Comments

Consent Agenda: Motion by Bouvy, 2nd by Wehl, to accept the reports from Fire Department, Police Department, Village Manager, and DPW. Trustees Elbers and Skias began a discussion regarding an item in the Village Manager's Report. **Motion carried unanimously**

Motion by Squanda, 2nd by Bouvy to authorize a one-time COVID Pay bonus of \$500 to the full-time village staff, \$250 for part-time village staff and \$500 to the Fire/Rescue as a unit. After a lengthy discussion, the motion was made to authorize half of the original amount proposed by Village Manager Raymond. Manager Raymond, President Keast, Trustees and Clerk/Treasurer are not on the list to receive the bonuses. **Motion carried unanimously**

Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: Motion by Wehl, 2nd by Bouvy to accept the reports from Blumfield Reese Water Authority, Community Park, Reese Unity District Library, Reese Area Chamber of Commerce (2),

Reese Planning Commission and Reese Fire/Rescue. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Letters to the Trustees – None

Approval of Check Listing: Motion by Weihl, 2nd by Squanda to accept check listing #s 20345 to 20417 totaling \$145,161.31 for fund accounts. Trustee Skias questioned a check for employee uniforms and boots Trustee Elbers questioned a check for employee longevity pay. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:

- A. SAW Grant Status – Manager Raymond and DPW Supervisor will be receiving training on the GIS System.
- B. Streetlights – No activity. DTE representative has not reached out to the Village since a source has been located for replacement parts.
- C. Fire Department Air Pack Replacement – Village Fire/Rescue will take possession of the new air packs in January 2021.
- D. Parks & Rec – Trustee/Park’s liaison Skias notified the council of a \$3,195.00 donation to the Community Park by Burt Watson Chevrolet. The Park committee discussed buying benches with the money.

New Business

- A. President Pro Tempore – **Motion** by Skias, 2nd by Weihl to nominate Trustee Doug Squanda as President Pro Tempore. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- B. Review Applications for vacant Trustee and appoint – After a review of current applicants and a brief discussion, **Motion** by Skias, 2nd by Weihl to appoint Pete Bouvy as Trustee. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. Reappoint Clerk/Treasurer – **Motion** by Skias, 2nd by Squanda to reappoint Chris Ranney as Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Reese. Term of appointment; 01/01/2021 to 12/31/2022. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- D. Reappoint Laura Squanda to Library Board – **Motion** by Squanda, 2nd by Elbers to reappoint Laura Squanda to the Library Board. Term of appointment; 01/01/2021 – 12/31/2023. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- E. Reappoint Echo Ranney to Park & Rec Committee. **Motion** by Wehl, 2nd by Elbers to reappoint Echo Ranney to the Park & Rec. Committee. Term of appointment; 1/1/2021 – 12/31/2022. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- F. Receive Specs on Proposed dump truck for DPW – The village received two bids through MiDeal. After a lengthy discussion, the council will not take any action on this date and will revisit this in future meetings.

Public Comments

No Comments from the public.

Miscellaneous:

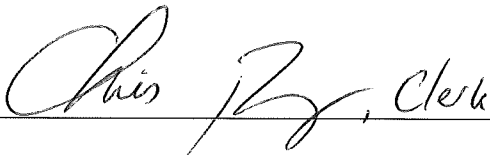
President Keast wished the Council members and Community a Merry Christmas.

Items for next agenda:

- DPW Dump Truck
- SAW Grant
- Reese Community Parks & Rec.
- Streetlights
- Fire/Rescue Air packs

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chris Ranney, Clerk

Approved By:  Clerk Date: 1/11/2021