

## MINUTES

Reese Village Council  
2073 Gates Street  
December 9, 2024  
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: Doug Squanda, Darryl Tafoya, Brian Weihl, Jeff Skias and Matthew Bouvy

**Absent:** Village Manager Thomas Raymond

**Staff Present:** Clerk Courtney Owens

**Guests in Attendance:** Joe Hess, David Radka, Jordan Ackerman and Danny Palm

**Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda:** Add Appoint Darryl Tafoya to planning commission to “D” under new business. **Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl to approve the agenda with the change of adding the appointment of Darryl Tafoya to planning commission. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Adoption of Minutes from meeting held November 11, 2024:** **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Skias, to adopt the minutes of the November 11, 2024. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

**Consent Agenda:** **Motion** by Weihl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tafoya, to accept the reports from Village Manager, Police Dept., and DPW. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions:** **Motion** by Tafoya, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Squanda, to accept the reports from Fire, Blumfield Reese Water Authority, Park and Rec. and Reese Library. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Letters to the Trustees** – None

**Approval of Check Listing:** **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl to accept check listing #'s 23345 to 23400 totaling \$133,072.99 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:**

- A. Storm Drain issues M-81 and Gugino St. – President Keast updated council. We are still in the process of getting easements and are still waiting on the final word from Congresswoman Lisa McClains office.
- B. Community Park – Brian Weihl addressed the council. Park and Rec. are continuing to work on the DNR Trust Grant. The fence at the pickleball court is complete. Striping will take place in the spring.

**New Business**

- A. Request from School Superintendent to discuss sign placement – Superintendent, Jordan Akerman, addressed council on behalf of Reese Public School. Manager Raymond has notified the school that they cannot place the new electronic sign where they had planned because it does not adhere to village ordinances. The school feels they are adhering to the ordinances. President Keast recommends referring this matter to Planning Commission. **Motion** by Tafoya, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Squanda to refer this matter to the Planning Commission. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- B. Filling council vacancy – **Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Skias to declare an open council seat and to move forward with filling it. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. Reappoint Clerk and Treasurer - **Motion** by Skias, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to reappoint Courtney Owens as clerk and Lindsay Mason as treasurer for a two-year term ending 12/31/2026. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- D. Appoint Darryl Tafoya to Planning Commission - **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl to appoint Darryl Tafoya to planning commission. **Motion carried unanimously.**


**Public Comments:** None

**Items for next agenda:**

M-81 Flooding Project  
Community Park  
Council Vacancy  
School Sign

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Courtney Owens, Clerk

Approved By:  Date: 1-13-2025