

## MINUTES

Reese Village Council  
2073 Gates Street  
February 13, 2023  
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, Darryl Tafoya, Matt Bouvy, Brian Weihl, and Pete Bouvy

**Absent:** Jeff Skias

**Staff Present:** Village Manager Thomas Raymond  
Treasurer Lindsay Mason

**Guests in attendance:** Debra Wright, Jordan Deisig, Kyleene Nelson, Margaret Deisig, Jacob Baur, Marchand Baur, Adam Ellison, Ron Avery, Officer Rietz, Alan Ellison.

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

**Adoption of Minutes from meetings held January 9, 2023: Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl, to adopt the minutes of January 9, 2023, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**

**Consent Agenda: Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Bouvy, to accept the reports from DPW, Reese Fire/Rescue, Reese Police, and Manager's Report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl, to accept the report from BRWA, Unity District Library and Denmark Twp. **Motion carried unanimously**

**Letters to the Trustees – None**

**Approval of Check Listing: Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Squanda to accept check listing #s 22004 to 22085 totaling \$111,807.95 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:**

- A. Park and Rec. requested 3 Tree removal – **Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to remove 3 pine trees passed.
- B. Storm drain issues on M-81 and Gugino St. – Manager Thomas Raymond was asked to look at a retention option with the engineers.
- C. Preliminary Budget 23/24 – Manager Thomas Raymond speaking on the adjustments he made to the budget for the new year. S. Van Buren Rd doesn't look to being able to be pushed to 2024, possibly 2025. Will hold the public hearing on the budget for possible adoption.

**New Business**

- A. Liaison officer – To allow Chief Hadd to negotiate a contract and seek applications **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to allow Chief Hadd to negotiate a contract and seek applications. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- B. Consideration of Resolution 22-23-06 – opt out of Publicly funded health Ins. – **Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl to opt out of Publicly funded health Ins. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. Holiday Schedule. **Motion** by Weihl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to follow the County and have Juneteenth added to our Holiday Schedule. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- D. Fees and Charges for 2023-2024 – **Motion** by Squanda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tafoya. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- E. Adopt MDOT equipment rental rate 2023-2024. President Keast said we will **not** be adopting the rental rates for 2023-2024, just excepting them.
- F. Re-appoint Ken Ackerman to Blumfield Reese Water Authority – Ken Ackerman was reappointed to Blumfield Reese Water Authority for 2023-2026. **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tafoya. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- G. Renew MML property and Liability Insurance for 2023-2024 – Manager Thomas Raymond stated that we have been with MML for quite some time

now, there was no financial advantage to getting another competitive quote. **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weihl to renew the MML property and liability Insurance for 2023-2024. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Public Comments** – Maggie Deisig of 2278 S. Reese Rd. spoke regarding their property at 2200 Reese Rd. She said at the planning commission meeting they were not able to adopt any other parking lot surface alternatives. Her question was to have an amendment change to the ordinances. Asking to be unannexed out. President Keast said he would have Manager Thomas Raymond send out an email to the proper audience finding out if they are able to be unannexed.

Jordan Deisig of 2278 S. Reese Rd. Spoke regarding their property at 2200 Reese Rd. Asking about when the 3 years starts from the zoning permit has been approved. Wondering if there are other alternatives other than paved parking for a small business.

Debra Wright of 2278 S. Reese Rd. Spoke regarding the property at 2200 Reese Rd.

**Items for next agenda:**

Managers Evaluation  
2023-24 Budget Draft  
M-81 Storm Drain  
Public Hearing  
Liaison Officer

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lindsay Mason, Treasurer

Approved By: Courtney Owens Date: 3-13-23