

## MINUTES

Reese Village Council  
2073 Gates Street  
August 08, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:** In the Municipal Building, President Pro Temp Squanda called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Roll Call:** President Pro Temp Doug Squanda, Trustees Present: Matt Bouvy, Pete Bouvy, Jeff Skias and Darryl Tafoya.

**Absent:** President Paul Keast  
Trustee Brian Wehl

**Staff Present:** Clerk/Treasurer Chris Ranney  
Village Manager Thomas Raymond  
DPW Supervisor Gene Ellison

**Guests in Attendance:** Kim Palm, Lori Cichowski, Becki Anderson, Echo Ranney, Ann DuRussel, Joan Skias, Mike Bledore, Kyleene Nelson, and Sue Sheffek.

**Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda: Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to approve the agenda, as amended to include Case Tractor. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Adoption of Minutes from meetings held July 11, 2022: Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Skias, to adopt the minutes of July 11, 2022, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – No Scheduled Comments

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

**Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: Motion** by Tafoya, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Bouvy, to accept the report from Reese Fire Rescue, Reese Parks & Rec., Blumfield Reese Water Authority (2), Reese Unity District Library (2), Denmark Township. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Letters to the Trustees** – None

**Approval of Check Listing: Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Bouvy to accept check listing #s 21587 to 21647 totaling \$108,415.43 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:**

- A. Streetlights on M-81 – Manager Raymond; received an update from Jim at Energy Reduction Collation regarding DTE. DTE will have the lamp poles lamps completed and painted by the end of August.
  
- B. Park & Rec. – Park Liaison not present, nothing new to report. Councilperson M. Bouvy asked Manager Raymond about the sealcoating of the old tennis courts. Manager Raymond has tried to reach Yeager but has not heard back and the sealcoating is not completed.
  
- C. Category B Grant – Manager Raymond has an onsite meeting 8/9/22 to go over the checklist for completion. **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bouvy to authorize payment to Shaw Contraction in the amount of \$268,713.85 for the Category B Grant work on Center Rd. **Motion carried unanimously.**
  
- D. Spicer Group estimate for Storm Drain repair at M-81 & Gugino St. – Manager Raymond presented 2 possible options to council that would attempt to alleviate water near M-81 & Gugino Street. Neither option guarantees to solve the issue. Councilperson Bouvy asked how this would be paid, Manager Raymond spoke of a possible bond to cover the expenses around \$900,000.00. Manager Raymond and DPW Supervisor Ellison are still looking into other solutions, and they will keep the council informed.
  
- E. Coontail in Lagoons Eradication Update – Treatment has been applied.

**New Business**

- A. Consider ordering Mower Tractor for Lagoons; This item has been tabled.

- B. Consider ordering new Gator; budget year 2023-24 – After a brief discussion and opposition from councilperson Skias about allocating funds for a new Gator, **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tafoya to order a John Deere Gator XUV865M HVAC 2023 for purchase in Fiscal Year 23-24 in the amount of \$23,983.48. **Motion carried.**
- C. Re-appoint John Hill & Steve Rohloff to Planning Commission, terms ending 03/31/25. **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tafoya. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Public Comments:**

Joan Skias – Resident on Rhodes Street, had “lake front” property after recent heavy rains.

Kim Palm – Resident on Rhodes & North Streets for 12 years and has not seen rainwater collect like it has from the recent rains.

Kyleene Nelson – Resident on M-81, west of Gugino. Basement flooded from yard filling with rainwater.

Mike Bledore – Resident on North Street, appreciates the effort Reese putting toward the floodwaters but is now calling for a time to act. Mike says the issue needs to be resolved.

Lori Cichowski – Small group of residents, Lori Cichowski, Echo Ranney and Becki Anderson formed a committee called Community Involvement are planning the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Truck of Treat in the Community Park on Oct. 29, 2022. The committee is looking for sponsors and donations to help make the Truck or Treat a great event. The committee is planning a movie in the park after the Truck or Treat event. If anyone would like more information, please reach out to Becki Anderson at [andersonboys08@gmail.com](mailto:andersonboys08@gmail.com).

**Miscellaneous:** None

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**Items for next agenda:**

Streetlights  
Reese Community Parks & Rec.  
Category B Grant  
Spicers Storm Drain Proposal  
Lagoons  
Village Annual Audit

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chris Ranney, Clerk

Approved By:



Date: 9-12-2022