VILLAGE OF MOSCOW REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

November 1, 2023

Regular Council meeting called to order, pledge of allegiance at 6:00pm by Mayor Suter, with roll call by Bill Gilpin

English - Present Nichols - Present Roark – Present

Turner - Absent Gorth - Present Caudill - Present

Mayor Suter – Present Alan Ausman, Village Administrator - Present

### Bill Gilpin, Fiscal Officer –Present Emily Supinger, Solicitor –Absent

Also present – Joe DaGiau, Dennis Cooper, Jim Hiles, Julie Hawkins

\*Motion to accept the minutes of the October 2, 2023 meeting by Caudill, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner – absent Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

\*Motion to pay bills by English, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - absent Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

Dennis Cooper reported that Ron Rudd is retiring as trustee after 32 years of service. Aaron Maus is running unopposed and will be taking his place in January; reported that rumors say the Zimmer property owners will be filing another tax appeal in 2024.

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**  Alan Ausman reports:

* **Maintenance:** Docks are out; mowing is slowing down; building use getting very busy; parking lot sealed; daily sewer reads; flags and banners down; preparing for Christmas lights; preparing for winter operations; getting price for post office door repair; sewer lateral installed on Broadway; preparing for election day
* **Administrative:** Packet for 2025-26 capital grant submitted; all reports and financials sent for 2023 capital grant reimbursement submitted; financials submitted for land bank reimbursement; utility collections; bids for street paving; park use for bike event; submitted one new CRA packet to the auditor’s office
* **Zoning:** Issued one permit; issued one zoning violation

The LED street lights have been installed; Duke Energy will be performing an audit to make sure our billing is correct. The capital grant application was for the remainder of the river wall needing to be done. A group wants to use the park as a parking/staging area for a benefit bicycle ride on November 18.

Reported having issues with adults who use the gym for basketball causing damage. Mayor Suter suggested studying the camera footage and forfeiting anyone’s deposit who causes damage and banning them from future use of the gym.

**FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:**  Bill Gilpin reports:

Reported that the 2024 appropriations are being worked on; will be attending year end software training on December 4; finance committee will meet on November 16 this month due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

An update on the agreement between NR Schools and the Zimmer property owners was reviewed. The village will lose approximately $37,238 in 2024 due to the equipment at the Zimmer Station being devalued by the state; there is the possibility of an additional $35k in reduced real estate tax values as well. The county auditor has indicated that the actual figures will not be available until late January at the earliest.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:** Emily Supinger reports: Absent, no report

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** Mayor Suter reports:

Reported that there are still a few street light issues that need to be addressed; reported that the county engineer’s estimate for paving Broadway, Second Street and Hazel Alley came in at $92k, so the village will get quotes directly from contractors for comparison.

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**READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

Jim Hiles asked about the house at 4th & Wells; Mayor Suter noted that the owners have been notified to improve the structure, also given information about a grant program to tear it down.

Jim Hiles asked how to get a park bench. Alan Ausman offered to help order one noting that the existing ones were paid for with private money and can cost up to $1,600.

Motion to adjourn at 6:47pm made by English, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols -yea Roark - yea

Turner - absent Gorth – yea Caudill - yea MC

APPROVED BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TIM SUTER, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

BILL GILPIN, FISCAL OFFICER