**Deshler Village Council**

**Monday, February 24, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**: Deshler Village Council met in regular session on Monday, February 24, 2020, with Mayor Stephen Gibson calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Pam Abrams, Teresa Lederer, Richard McCance and Mike Woods. Bob George and Jim Suber were absent.

**ALSO PRESENT**: Village Superintendent Bradley Kitchen, Zoning Inspector Jan Seemann, CD Coordinator DonL Parsons, BPA Member Bernie George, Solicitor Jim Rode, Visitor Pat Imm, and two high school students

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of February 10, 2020, were presented to Council. It was moved by Woods and seconded by Abrams to approve the minutes as presented. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**: Bills were presented to Council. It was moved by Abrams and seconded by Woods to pay the bills and to draw warrants on the proper funds. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

Fund Reports, Cash Summary Reports, and a Payment Listing were presented for Council’s review.

**FIRST READING: Ordinance No. 20-11,** “AN ORDINANCE FOR AN INTERFUND TRANSFER”

**FIRST READING: Resolution No. 20-12,** “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH GOVPAY.NET FOR A MERCHANT AGREEMENT TO ALLOW FOR CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS TO THE VILLAGE”

**FIRST READING: Resolution No. 20-13,** A RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2020 FOR THE VILLAGE OF DESHLER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY”

Visitor Pat Imm addressed Council regarding:

-Concern about the procedure of calling for towing services in an emergency. He doesn’t feel that his business is receiving the calls that they should be. Mayor Gibson explained that if the county sheriff calls for a tow, they are supposed to use a rotation and it is out of our police department’s control.

-A concern about his property lines that is not an issue for the village, but Jim Rode stated he could assist Mr. Imm with.

**STREETS & SEWER:** Superintendent Bradley Kitchen reported:

-Demolition of the Lumber Company building was successfully completed in one day.

-The old church has been boarded up and all doors secured.

-Performed some patch work today due to warmer temperatures.

-Playground equipment at Pirate Park should be completed this week.

-Continuing the ODOT online seminars necessary for the Pine Street Bridge project. The engineering qualifications deadline is March 2.

-Progress is being made with Hamler’s wastewater system which we are assisting with.

-Brad inquired about requests received to remove bricks from the lumberyard site. Council had no objections; however the Solicitor’s office will determine if this is allowable.

**ZONING:** Jan Seemann reported:

-Reported there is a property that needs cleaned but she is waiting on a formal complaint to be filed.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** DonL Parsons reported:

-The 2020 OPWC (SCIP/LTIP) planning meeting will be held next week for the villages. Will be applying for assistance with the Pine Street Bridge Project.

-Continue to work on the Assistance to Firefighters grant application.

-Spoke with Representative Jim Hoops regarding the application for the State Capital Budget program and was told that Deshler’s application looked promising for sidewalk work at Pirate Park.

-Enough donations were received to purchase 13 new Christmas lights for 2020.

-The COPS Hiring Program grant application is underway for funding for a full-time officer.

**BPA:** Bernie George reported:

-Sadly, the BPA must appoint a new member due to the passing of Denny Bremer.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

-The Building/Zoning Committee met prior to council and recommended that DonL Parsons begin the process for a grant to assist with demolishing the old church.

-The Police Committee reported that K-9 Officer Zeus is ill, and the medical bills will need to be paid before the department can move forward with other purchases.

-McCance reported that the Fire Department has received their new radios and are working out a few issues.

A motion was made by McCance and seconded by Woods to adjourn. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

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