**Deshler Village Council**

**Monday, May 11, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**: Deshler Village Council met in regular session on Monday, May 11, 2020, with Mayor Stephen Gibson calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Pam Abrams, Bob George, Teresa Lederer, Richard McCance (via telephone), Jim Suber and Mike Woods

**ALSO PRESENT**: Streets/Sewer Supt. Bradley Kitchen and Utility Superintendent Kirk Behrman.

Via telephone: DonL Parsons, Jim Rode, Jan Seemann

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of April 27, 2020, were presented to Council. It was moved by Suber 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 George and seconded by Woods to pay the bills and to draw warrants on the proper funds. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

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

**BPA REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

Utility Superintendent Kirk Behrman was present to explain the Request for Proposal for a new metering system for utilities. The new system is called Automatic Meter Infrastructure (AMI) and would replace current equipment that is 10 years old. There are many advantages and upgrades in the new program. This request will seek out the companies that are qualified to bid.

**Resolution No. 20-23, “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ELECTRIC METERING SYSTEM IN THE VILLAGE OF DESHLER, OHIO”** A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. It was moved by George and seconded by Abrams that Resolution 20-23 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 20-24, “AN ORDINANCE FOR AN INTERFUND TRANSFER”** A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Woods to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. It was moved by Suber and seconded by Abrams that Ordinance 20-24 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 20-25, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF HAMLER FOR POLICE PROTECTION AS AUTHORIZED BY ORC 737.04”** A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. It was moved by Abrams and seconded by George that Ordinance 20-25 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 20-26, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BORROWING OF $165,000 FROM CORN CITY STATE BANK AND EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF PROMISSORY NOTE FOR SUCH AMOUNT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY”** Clerk Sugg explained that this was a short term loan to pay the initial engineering costs of the PIne Street Bridge Project. A grant is being pursued to cover these costs.A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. It was moved by George and seconded by Woods that Ordinance 20-26 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 20-27, “AN ORDINANCE FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION”** A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. It was moved by Abrams and seconded by Geroge that Ordinance 20-27 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

The following reports were presented to Council for their review: Streets/Sewer/Parks; Community Development; BPA Minutes.

-DonL Parsons remarked that the status of the SCIP and LTIP Projects for 2020 are still unresolved due to the COVID-19 delays.

-DonL contacted Greg Carson about holding an event at the Reservoir with the ODNR grant money. The deadline to hold an event has been extended until June 30.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

-Kirk Behrman reported that the BPA would still like to hold a special meeting with Council regarding the potential sale of property. This will be postponed until social gathering restrictions are lifted.

-Until the Governor and Health Department provide guidance (due to COVID-19), the following events are questionable for the upcoming summer months. It is hoped to have an answer by the next meeting.

-Baseball/softball season

-Swimming Pool

-Junk Day

-Council decided that recycling in the village can re-open on Saturday, May 16 from 8:00 am-8:00 pm.

-The next Council meeting will be moved to Tuesday, May 26 due to Memorial Day.

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

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