**Deshler Village Council**

**Monday, July 22 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**: Deshler Village Council met in regular session on Monday, July 22, 2019, with Mayor Gibson presiding and calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

**ALSO PRESENT**: Village Superintendent Bradley Kitchen, CD Coordinator DonL Parsons, Solicitor Jim Rode, Zoning Inspector Jan Seemann and Duff Altman

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of July 8, 2019 were presented to Council. It was moved by Suber and seconded by Woods to approve the minutes as presented. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**: Bills were presented to Council. It was moved by Myers 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. 19-25, “AN ORDINANCE FOR AN INTERFUND TRANSFER”**

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

-The North East Street paving will be done tomorrow.

-The sidewalk project has started in the Village Park.

-New banners were received and will be hung on Main Street.

-The county will now assist with picking up recyclables at the Recycling Center.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** DonL Parsons reported:

-Monthly recycling report was reviewed.

-MVPO will be completing an income survey in the village. A sample of 300 people will be surveyed.

-Pine Street Bridge application is being completed and coming along well.

-Exercise equipment donated by the Wensink Family will be arriving soon.

**ZONING:**

-Several zoning applications have been approved and 3 complaints have been addressed.

-The Zoning Appeals Board recently held a hearing for a variance for a garage. The variance was denied by the Zoning Appeals Board with a vote of 4 Nays and 1 abstaining.

-A discussion was held regarding the old Lumber Company building. Jan inquired about an extra tax to take care of the blighted buildings in town. This would have to go to voters because it would be over the 1% income tax already in place. The process to fine the new owners will begin soon. Jim Rode will contact the Auditor’s office to obtain estimates on what a possible five-year bond levy would bring in. Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

-A Police Committee meeting will be held before the next council meeting.

-McCance--Fire District. They are still waiting for a report about the Lumber Company building. Also the County is still waiting for their base for the new radio system for both police and fire.

-Woods--BPA: there are some utility bills from years ago that will be written off. The membranes were inspected and look good for a few more years. Electric has assisted the Village of Cygnet several times in the last few weeks.

-Suber--Cemetery: a few areas will be chipped and sealed soon. They are currently going through a routine audit.

Being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Suber and seconded by Woods to adjourn. Vote: all yes

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