**Deshler Village Council**

**Monday, September 28, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**: Deshler Village Council met in regular session on Monday, September 28, 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, Jim Suber and Mike Woods

**ALSO PRESENT**: Streets/Sewer Supt. Bradley Kitchen, CD Coordinator DonL Parsons, BPA Member Bernie George, Utilities Supt. Kirk Behrman, Police Chief Brian Robinson, Aaron Crawford and visitors from the Law Firm of Mazanec, Raskin & Ryder

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of September 14, 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 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.

**Resolution 20-43, “A RESOLTUION AUTHORIZING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICAL MILEAGE FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES”** Councilman Woods noted that since the last meeting it was discovered that Worker’s Compensation will reimburse for medical mileage. A motion was made by Woods and seconded by Suber to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. Vote on Resolution 20-43: Lederer-Yes, McCance-No, Suber-No, George-No, Abrams-No, Woods-No. Resolution 20-43 fails.

**Ordinance 20-44, “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 George and seconded by Abrams that Ordinance 20-44 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**TRANSMISSION LINE**

Kirk Behrman, Bernie George, and representatives from Mazanec, Raskin & Ryder gave an update on the potential sale of the Village’s electrical transmission line. The Request for Proposal process has taken place and one bid was received from AMP Transmission, LLC (AMPT). The Board of Public Affairs is requesting that Council accepts the bid proposal from AMPT and authorizes the Mayor and Superintendent of Utilities to negotiate, through legal counsel, the terms and conditions of the various contractual agreements necessary to complete the terms of sale.

**Resolution 20-45, “A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BEST BIDDER FOR THE SALE OF THE ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM”** 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 George that Resolution 20-45 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Brian Robinson reported:

-A Police Committee meeting was held prior to Council and an interview was conducted with Aaron Crawford for a part-time patrol officer. Robinson recommends to Council that Crawford be hired.

A motion was made by Suber and seconded by McCance that Aaron Crawford be hired as a part-time patrol officer effective immediately for the Deshler Police Department. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

The Mayor swore in Officer Crawford.

-Robinson presented a quote for body cameras to purchase for the department in the amount of $2,700 along with an external hard drive in the amount of $250. A motion was made by Suber and seconded by McCance to purchase this equipment. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

-Firearms qualification for officers will be held on Sunday.

-The mobile radios are currently being set up.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** DonL Parsons’ reported:

-Family Fishing Day is this Sunday at the Reservoir starting at 1:00 p.m.

-The Chamber of Commerce has set Trick-or-Treat for October 31 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. There will be a Halloween parade prior to trick-or-treat, but no registration or judging. Parade line-up begins at 4:00 and the parade is at 4:30 p.m.

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**ZONING:** Jan Seemann reported:

-There have been several questions from residents regarding chickens in the Village. The Zoning Committee would be willing to meet with the Zoning Board to come up with legislation regarding this issue.

**STREETS, SEWER AND PARKS:** Supt. Bradley Kitchen reported:

-The work report was emailed to Council prior to the meeting.

-The cameras were used at Enviroscape for storm sewer issues and some tree rooting was discovered. Hopefully the problem will be resolved.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

-Bernie George reported that the BPA interviewed 2 candidates for the open water position. Both candidates turned down the offers.

-Councilman George reported that the South Joint Ambulance District will be looking to purchase a new ambulance next year. George also reported that Harrison and Damascus Townships have shown interest in coverage from the District.

-Councilman McCance reported that the Fire Department recently had the outside back of the fire station remodeled.

-A motion was made by McCance and seconded by Abrams that Council consider adding timeclocks for village employees. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

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

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