**Deshler Village Council**

**Monday, November 23, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**: Deshler Village Council met in regular session on Monday, November 23, 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, and Utility Superintendent Kirk Behrman

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of November 9, 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 George 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.

**Ordinance 20-50, “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. A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams that Ordinance 20-50 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Ordinance 20-51, “AN ORDINANCE FOR AN INTRAFUND TRANSFER”** A motion was made by George 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. A motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams that Ordinance 20-51 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Ordinance 20-52, “AN ORDINANCE FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION”** A motion was made by Suber and seconded by George to suspend the rules governing the reading of ordinances on three separate days at three separate meetings. Vote: all yes, motion carried. A motion was made by Woods and seconded by Abrams that Ordinance 20-52 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

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

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

-The new trees for Pirate Park are scheduled to be planted next week.

-Christmas lights have been placed on the large pine tree at the Library.

-The sign for the Reservoir will be built similar the one at Pirate Park. The concrete pad and foundation are complete.

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

-The Pine Street Bridge project is currently rated number one in the District for funding through the Small Government Program. This is for the amount not covered by the ODOT Bridge Program.

-CARES Act money has been spent on the following items: Zoom Room equipment; a utility vehicle for COVID-related sprayers and foggers to service our parks; and COVID-compliant supplies, partitions, cleaning/sanitizing items, and touchless equipment. The Corn City Fire District, South Joint Ambulance District, Deshler Council of Churches Food Bank, Deshler Library and the daycare center have all received COVID-compliant items with Deshler’s CARES Act money. Masks were also purchased and are available to the residents of the village.

-The Christmas lights will be put up soon. Five more need to be purchased to complete the new display set.

**ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINE:**

Kirk Behrman was present and provided and update to Council on the contract being negotiated with AMP-T for the sale of the transmission line. Behrman reviewed the current price, leasing of the ground and substation, operating and maintenance contract, a new bucket truck, and a second feed for the Village. AMP would like to have possession by January 1, 2021. Documents are scheduled to be signed December 4. A motion was made by McCance and seconded by Suber to continue negotiations with AMP-T with a proposed signing date of December 4, 2020. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

-Jan Seemann has recommended that Patty Sugg fill the vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. A motion was made by Suber and seconded by George that Patty Sugg be appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

-McCance reported that the Fire District is preparing for the arrival of the washer and dryer for turn-out gear that was purchased with the village CARES act money. The District is appreciative of this donation.

-George reported that the South Joint Ambulance District is very appreciative of the CARES Act money that the village donated for COVID-related equipment.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:27 p.m. a motion was made by Suber and seconded by Abrams to enter into Executive Session for potential litigation. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

At 7:31 p.m. the regular council session resumed. There was no action taken following Executive Session.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Suber to adjourn. Vote: all yes

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