**Deshler Village Council**

**Monday, December 14, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**: Deshler Village Council met in regular session on Monday, December 14, 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 Solicitor Jim Rode

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of November 23, 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 20-53, “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 George and seconded by Abrams that Ordinance 20-53 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Resolution 20-54, “A RESOLUTION CREATING AN ELECTRIC CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND”** A motion was made by Abrams and seconded by McCance 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 Abrams and seconded by Woods that Resolution 20-54 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**Resolution 20-55, “A RESOLUTION APPROVING 2021 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS”** 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 Abrams and seconded by Woods that Resolution 20-55 is passed as read. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**LIFE/DENTAL INSURANCE:**

Lisa reported that the rates will remain the same in 2021 for the Principal life and dental insurance provided to employees. A motion was made by Suber and seconded by George to approve the Principal life and dental insurance for 2021. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Bob George reported that the Finance Committee met prior to the Council meeting to discuss the 2021 budget. The Committee reviewed appropriations and revenue and concluded that the budget could handle a 2% increase for employee wages. A motion was made by George and seconded by Woods to give employees a 2% increase for 2021. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

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

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

-Berm work is currently being done in town along the streets that were resurfaced.

-All CARES Act projects are being finished up.

-McCance inquired about a storm drain near the elevator that is being worked on. Kitchen stated it needs built up and when the Streets Department has a full staff it will be fixed.

**ZONING:**  Jan Seemann reported:

-Currently working on one zoning project and will be investigating old vehicles that do not have valid licenses.

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

-The Pine Street Bridge project is still rated number one in the District for funding through the Small Government Program.

-The Christmas lights are up and we have received many compliments on the new decorations. Legacy Farmers and Feehan-Rodenberger Funeral Home have both made donations towards new lights.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:11 p.m. a motion was made by Woods and seconded by George to enter into Executive Session for property acquisition. Vote: all yes, motion carried.

At 7:16 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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