STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF JACKSON)

VILLAGE OF DESOTO)

Minutes

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

June 5, 2023

President Eric Schuler called the first regular monthly meeting of the De Soto Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:05 P.M. Village Clerk Paula Parks was present to record the minutes.

Present : Tony Rushing Brian Gleason

 Paulette Johnson Eric Schuler

Rachel Alstat

Absent: Jennifer Morgan Cristy Desormeaux

Motion made by Rachel Alstat, seconded by Tony Rushing, to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to approve them. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Brian Gleason, to approve the May expense report. Motion carried

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Brian Gleason, to pay the list of bills. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Brian Gleason, to approve the Municipality Power of Attorney authorizing Satori Enterprises, LLC to broker the contract with the selected electric supply bidder as a member of the Southern Illinois Aggregation Partnership. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson - Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Brian Gleason, to enter into a 24-month agreement with Homefield Energy for a rate of $.00826/kWh for the Village’s electric supply. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Rachel Alstat, to purchase 3910 sq. ft. (247 cases) of Shaw Paragon Tile Plus LVP #7052 Clay flooring from Karpet Korner for $15,600.94 plus $300 shipping, to be paid from ARPA funds. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, enter into a contract with C&S Flooring for labor and miscellaneous supplies to install new flooring in the village hall for $9,678.34, due upon completion of the installation, to be paid from ARPA funds. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Rachel Alstat, to hire Robert Roach as a city maintenance employee at $15 per hour with full benefits and a one-year probation, to be paid from the Streets Operating Fund. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

A meeting for the Water and Sewer Committees was scheduled for Thursday, June 15 at 3:00 PM to discuss water and sewer rates.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Paulette Johnson, to table discussion on water and sewer rate increases until after the committee meeting. Motion carried.

Trustee Paulette Johnson reported that John Needham would be dragging the ball fields.

The city-wide yard sale went well and had positive comments. It was suggested that the Village have a fall city-wide yard sale to coincide with city-wide cleanup in October. Trustee Johnson suggested asking individuals if they would be interested in the idea.

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Brian Gleason, to table the application from Emma Brown for a building permit to put a house at 215 N. Walnut until further information can be obtained. Motion carried.

The next village board meeting will be held Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the village hall.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Brian Gleason, to adjourn at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J. Parks

Village Clerk