STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF JACKSON)

VILLAGE OF DESOTO)

Minutes

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

September 18, 2023

President Eric Schuler called the second regular monthly meeting of the De Soto Village Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 P.M. Village Clerk Paula Parks was present to record the minutes.

Present Brian Gleason Eric Schuler

 Jennifer Morgan Cristy Desormeaux

 Rachel Alstat

Absent: Paulette Johnson Jennifer Morgan

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

Motion made by Brian Gleason, seconded by Jennifer Morgan, to approve the August revenue report. Motion carried.

Motion made by Cristy Desormeaux, seconded by Brian Gleason, to pay the list of bills. Upon roll call vote: Brian Gleason – Yes; Jennifer Morgan – Yes; Cristy Desormeaux – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Leroy Miles complained that there were disposed items such as furniture and mattresses on the streets at various property locations. He said that many times renters do not have the transportation nor the funds to take these items to the Landfill. Trustee Cristy Desormeaux and Chief Doan said that, according to the Village’s contract with the Landfill, individuals can call the Landfill and make an appointment for them to pick up an item such as a mattress. The Board will keep this issue in mind when they negotiate the next contract for trash pickup.

Motion made by Rachel Alstat, seconded by Cristy Desormeaux, to hire Robert Risely of Water Treat Technology to conduct a sludge survey of the lagoons for $1,200.00. Upon roll call vote: Brian Gleason – Yes; Jennifer Morgan – Yes; Cristy Desormeaux – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Jennifer Morgan, seconded by Cristy Desormeaux, to authorize J. T. Blankinship, Inc. to proceed with the preliminary design to get costs for additional treatment for landfill waste. Upon roll call vote: Brian Gleason – Yes; Jennifer Morgan – Yes; Cristy Desormeaux – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Chief Doan reported that there is only one vehicle on West Main Street that is a problem at this time. He will discuss the problem with the individual and feels he can take care of the situation without making West Main Street no parking.

Trustee Brian Gleason reported that some citizens had safety concerns about the location of the proposed sidewalk along E. Douglas Street to Reed Station Road being on the south side of the street. Trustee Cristy Desormeaux said that Harold Sheffer is leaning toward installing the sidewalk on the south side because of the huge drainage ditch on the north side and easements. The plans are still in the preliminary stages. Mr. Sheffer will meet with the Street Committee, and these concerns will be discussed and taken into consideration.

The next village board meeting will be held Monday, October 2, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the village hall.

Motion made by Brian Gleason, seconded by Jennifer Morgan, to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J. Parks

Village Clerk