STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF JACKSON)

VILLAGE OF DESOTO)

Minutes

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

July 17, 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 : Tony Rushing Brian Gleason

Paulette Johnson Eric Schuler

Cristy Desormeaux Rachel Alstat

Absent: Jennifer Morgan

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Rachel Alstat, 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 June revenue report. Motion carried.

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

Trustee Tony Rushing reported that he wanted to order Milwaukee handheld cordless pumps for the two meter readers. He said the cordless pump is another tool to use for efficiency when reading the meters when there is water in the hole. Two batteries and a pump would be required for each meter reader plus a charging station to be used by both.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Cristy Desormeaux, to purchase two (2) Milwaukee handheld cordless pumps, four (4) batteries and one charging system from Winn Nelson Plumbing Supply for up to $800.00. Upon roll vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Cristy Desormeaux – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Cristy Desormeaux reported that she had discussed the situation regarding a three -way stop at the intersection of S. Ash St. and W. Douglas St. with Mrs. Byrnes, who had requested the three-way stop, Superintendent of Public Works Danny Vancil and Police Chief Ben Doan. Trustee Desormeaux, Mr. Vancil and Chief Doan concluded that the first step would be to have more police presence to try to slow the traffic down. They will evaluate the situation in 90 days to see if something more aggressive is needed.

Motion made by Cristy Desormeaux, seconded by Brian Gleason, to monitor the situation at the intersection of W. Douglas St. and S. Ash St. and to have more police presence for 90 days to see if that helps the situation and to revisit the issue if it does not. Upon roll vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Cristy Desormeaux – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Rachel Alstat, to table replacement of the fence on the municipal parking lot until after a committee meeting. Motion carried.

Trustee Cristy Desormeaux reported that she was meeting with Harold Sheffer on Wednesday, July 19 to look at areas where the sidewalks are not ADA compliant, installation of a sidewalk from Camelot to Reed Station Road, and repair of the sidewalk on the south side of the school. A Street Committee will be held after Mr. Sheffer has worked up an estimated cost.

Motion made by Cristy Desormeaux, seconded by Tony Rushing, to table discussion of sidewalk installation and repair using grant funds until after the Street Committee meeting. Motion carried.

Christine Snyder introduced herself as the Village’s District 4 representative of the Jackson County Board. She said the County Board is passing out bright orange trash bags in the area to clean up community roads and residences. The Board agreed that the village employees would pick up the filled orange bags that are put at a stop sign. Mrs. Snyder also informed the board that the county has grant writers that would be able to help with getting grants.

Motion made by Tony Rushing, seconded by Paulette Johnson, to approve the application from Frank Doan to install a water line at 456 Dumaroc Road, pending approval of Kinkaid Water District. Motion carried.

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Tony Rushing, to approve the application from Jason Hobbs for a building permit to build a new front porch on his home at 108 N. Hickory St. Motion carried.

Superintendent of Public Works Danny Vancil reported that the Landfill will repair the piping at the lift station on Highway 51 at a cost of $28,500.00. The Landfill is covering the cost. The repairs will begin July 18, 2023.

Motion made by Cristy Desormeaux, seconded by Tony Rushing, to pass Resolution No. 2023-4 accepting the bid of $38,868.55 from Illini Asphalt to oil and chip designated streets. Upon roll call vote: Tony Rushing – Yes; Brian Gleason – Yes; Paulette Johnson – Yes; Cristy Desormeaux – Yes; Rachel Alstat – Yes. Motion carried.

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

Motion made by Paulette Johnson, seconded by Tony Rushing, to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J. Parks

Village Clerk