

TOWN OF SHADELAND
Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Council members present: Mike Kuipers, Tim Balensiefer, Bob Morrison, David Downey, David Vanderkleed, Josh Shives, Pamela Luenz, Charlene Brown, Clerk-Treasurer and Attorney Stu Weliever.

The meeting was called to order by Mike Kuipers at 7:00 PM at the Shadeland Town Hall.

Election of Officers

Dave V made the motion to nominate Michael Kuipers as 2023 Council President, Josh second, all in favor.

Bob made the motion to nominate Tim for 2023 First Vice President, Josh second, all in favor.

Josh made the motion to nominate Bob for 2023 Second Vice President, Dave V second, all in favor.

Pam led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Evonik Abatement Public Hearing

Mike opened the floor for public comment on the 2023 Evonic Abatements. There being no public comment, the floor was closed to public comment.

Pam made the motion to adopt Resolution 2023-01 – Resolution approving Evonik’s Personal Property and Real Property Abatement, Tim second, all in favor.

Committee Appointments

- Fire Committee – Mike Kuipers, Pam Luenz
- Parks Committee – Dave Vanderkleed, Josh Shives, David Downey
- Planning Committee – Josh Shives, Bob Morrison, Tim Balensiefer, John Hack Sr.
- Roads - David Downey, Mike Kuipers, Josh Shives
- Redevelopment – Tim Balensiefer, Pam Luenz, Lloyd Leamon, Jeff Findlay and John Hack, Sr. Brian Defreeze is the TSC School Board representative.

Dave V made the motion, Josh seconded to approve committee appointments, all in favor

Bob made the motion to approve, Pam second the motion, the December 13 and December 20, 2022 minutes, all in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer’s Report

Char presented the claims docket for approval in the amount of \$417,602.44. Pam made the motion, Josh second to approve claims. All in favor.

Financials were reviewed this month by Pam. Pam made the motion to approve December 2022 financials as presented, Tim second, all in favor.

Char asked for the council to approve Resolution 2023-02 transfer appropriations between categories within the same fund. Char explained that budgets are just estimates and from time to time we need to shuffle them around at the end of the year to balance the line items. It is a standard item that needs to be done. It doesn’t

indicate there was spending or budget issues, only that there were differences in estimates vs actual. Pam made the motion, Tim second to approve Resolution 2023-02 all in favor.

Char emailed out information on a Procurement Card that is open to municipalities. This card is similar to a credit card and can only be used when you are carrying out items when you pay, and only when invoicing is not an option. Mike is suggesting a \$1,000 limit on the card. The first step in applying for this card is adoption Resolution 2023-02 for the bank authorizing me to apply for the Procurement card on the Town's behalf. Char further explained that the Cards will not be able to be used before a policy is adopted authorizing employees to use the cards, and the conditions under which they can be used. The Town Council opted to table the discussion until a later date.

Town Hall Complex:

Ken Smith gave the update on the new Town Hall Complex. We have some steel framing. Plumbers will be coming to do a rough in in a few weeks.

There is no update for MS4 from IDEM.

Highway Department

Tom gave the highway report. It has been a mild so far. Two pot holes were repaired. Two guardrails were hit, we have police reports. Tom made a list of guardrails and line striping that would be done.

David D presented a picture of where our salt is being stored. There is a large amount of water in with the Road Salt. We need to be considering other options for storing road salt.

Mike asked about the Munger Drive snow removal. The road was private property that was deeded to the County prior to Shadeland's incorporation. We should have the County deed it over to the Town and we should take over the snow removal. Tom will let Brad Pedigo to add that to the plowing list.

Park Committee – no meeting in December

Planning report – Tim Balensiefer – no meeting in December

Fire report – Pam Luenz and Kevin Vanschepen

Allen gave the fire report. There were a total of 179 runs in 2022. They conducted training at Southwestern and Mintonye. Both schools are also open to training through the year.

Citizen Comments:

No comments

Council / Clerk / Attorney comments

Riehle with the Dent Repair shop has had two signs reappear. Stu contacted his attorney to resolve the issue. The case is still open, so we can pick up where we left off.

Tweedie – We sent a notice to abate to 1107 SR 25 W. Stu has indicated he could send a last chance letter and then file a lawsuit if not cleaned up. Pam made the motion, David D second, to send the last chance letter, and file a lawsuit if not cleaned up.

Char finally got the information from Turfmaster regarding the fire run. The suit was put on pause.

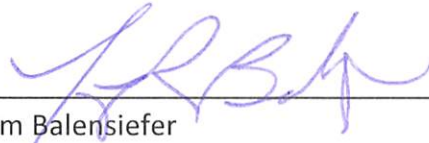
Char asked if the Town Council was interested in her becoming a Notary. The Town Council opted not to pursue this.

David D made the motion to adjourn, Josh second, all in favor to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

Approved:



Michael Kuipers



Tim Balensiefer

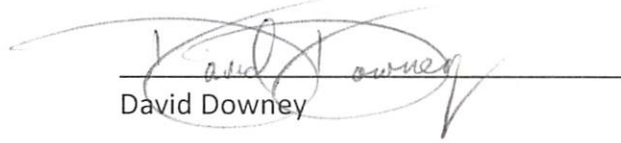


Robert Morrison, Jr.

David Vanderkleed



Joshua Shives



David Downey

Attest:



Pamela Luenz



Charlene Brown, Clerk-Treasurer