Village of Rothbury Council Meeting June, 20, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rothbury Village Council was opened at 7:00 PM in the Village Hall by President Vern Talmadge. Council members present were; Autum Drake, Jim Fekken, Mike Harris, Denise Kurdiziel, Brandy Williams and Dylan Zuniga.

Also present were; Treasurer Deb Murphy, Police Chief Tom Hasper, Sgt. Ethan Walker, Barb Thompson, Cliff Cudney, Chad Cheek, Craig Larson, Steve Sattler, Jayne Silvers, Chris Oracz, Harold Drake, Doug Roesler, Ed Goerbig, Dan Zuniga, Luke Sass, Troy Voorhees, Sandra Bailey, Brad Lambrix and Scott Buishuizen.

Motion made by Brandy Williams to approve the prior meetings minutes as presented, seconded by Denise Kurdziel. 7 ayes, 0 nays- motion carried.

Deb Murphy presented the monthly Treasurers Report, delinquent taxes were settled by the County.

Motion made by Autum Drake to approve the tax rate at 5.0730 mils. Seconded by Mike Harris, 7 ayes, 0 nays – motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Harris to approve a 1% administration fee in addition to the 5.0730 mils, seconded by Jim Fekken. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Police Chief Tom Hasper gave the monthly Police Report and advised additional officers from Montague would be working with the Rothbury Police Department for the duration of the Electric Forest Festival.

Chad Cheek from the Electric Forest Festival addressed the Council and all attendees updating them on early entrance guests, and thanking the community for all of their support assuring them that he is here to answer any questions and ensure a smoother communication process with the Village of Rothbury and Electric Forest Festival officials.

Luke Sass, with the Electric Forest Festival Neighbor Program also spoke, and thanked the community for welcoming him into his new position. Luke answered questions in regard to parking, and neighbor boundaries and wristbands.

Doug Roesler, Village Event Coordinator spoke to the council that this years Festival has proven to be smoother than years past and has only received half the calls he has in the past with the increased community involvement from the Festival.

Mike Harris made a motion, Seconded by Jim Fekken to pay the bills. Motion carried, 7 ayes, 0 nays.

President Vern Talmadge asked Police Chief Tom Hasper, to look into a potential camper that is being used as a dwelling within the Village Limits.

Recreation Director Brandy Williams reported that the new banners have been installed throughout the Village, and reported on the Memorial Day Services.

Deb Murphy, RCC director reported on RCC bookings.

Director of Public Works, Scott Buishuizen reported that the road project on 88th Ave has been completed. The fence at the ballfield at Czarny park has been partially replaced, and the fence company, Affordable Fence Company has recommended that the remaining portion of the fencing also be replaced.

Brandy Williams made a motion to have Affordable Fence Company replace the remaining fence around the ball field at Czarny Park, seconded by Mike Harris.

Motion Carried, 6 ayes, 1 nay.

A motion was made by Denise Kurdziel to move forward with the state record retention schedule for the Village, seconded by Jim Fekken. Motion carried, 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mike Harris made a motion to sell Village Clerk, Carol Witzke the printer she has had at home. Motion seconded by Jim Fekken. Motion carried, 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Public Comment.

Meeting Stood Adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,