

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by Grace Bjorklund at 5:30 PM. Meeting was held at the Municipal Office 102 W Main Street. Roll Call was taken: Grace Bjorklund, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz, and Darren Peterson. Also present was Jodi A Gilbert – Clerk/Treasurer and Mark Kuhl. No other public or press was in attendance. Meeting was posted that a majority of Board Members may be present for the meeting.

Motion Raddatz/Darren Peterson to recommend to the Village Board that they hire Mike & Laura Loescher to maintain the Gardens in the Village. This is a part time position, hiring is contingent on the results of a back ground check, and starting wage is \$15.00/hour. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Raddatz/Darren Peterson to recommend to the Village Board that they hire David Brian for the clearing of snow on Village Sidewalks. This is a part time position, hiring is contingent on the results of a back ground check, and starting wage is \$15.00/hour. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Raddatz/Darren Peterson to recommend to the Village Board that they hire Bruce Fillipi for the following job duties: cleaning of the Community Hall, watering flowers/trees, grass cutting, and miscellaneous public works duties. This is a part time position, hiring is contingent on the results of a back ground check, and starting wage is \$15.00/hour. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding a quote for the Dresser Public Library for LED Lighting and Electrical Upgrades for the 2024 Budget. The quotes is estimated at \$7,275.00. The Library Board has agreed to pay half of the cost of the upgrades. We also have money in the 2023 Budget that could to carried forward for this project. The committee agreed to put money into the 2024 Budget and to recommend carrying forward the 2023 monies for the library building improvements.

Discussion was held regarding a new ceiling Fan for the Municipal Office. Estimated cost for this project is at \$1,780.00 plus additional wiring. This fan circulates air thru the ceiling of the building and blows down on the windows to keep them dry. The committee agreed to put money into the 2024 Budget.

Discussion was held regarding Election Worker Pay for the 2024 Budget. Gilbert presented a wage survey for poll worker and chief election worker pay for Polk County. Dresser is on the lower end. We have not given these workers an increase for several years. The committee agreed to put \$10.00/hour for a poll worker and \$11.00/hour for a chief election worker into the 2024 budget.

Review of the 2023 Budget Detail took place.

- a. A handout was presented to the committee showing the recommended 2023 Budget Amendments. These amendments are to cover 2023 budget line shortfalls for the

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Attorney, Snow and Ice Materials, Fuel, and Rock for Crack Seal. Motion Darren Peterson/Raddatz to recommend to the Village Board to approve the 2023 Budget amendments as presented. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

- b. A handout was presented to the committee showing the recommended 2023 Budget Carry Over Monies to the Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP Investments). Motion Darren Peterson/Raddatz to recommend to the Village Board to move the following monies to the LGIP: Machinery Replacement Fund \$10,000.00, Police Car Replacement Fund \$6,000.00, and Library Building \$1,000.00. All in Favor. Motion Carried.
- c. A handout was presented to the committee recommending using the 2023 Catch Basin monies of \$4,500.00 for 2024 Budget requests. The following items would be purchased this year instead of putting in the 2024 budget – police care tires, one-ton tires, ranger tires, and tools. Motion Raddatz/Darren Peterson to recommend to the Village Board to approve using the 2023 Catch Basin monies of \$4,500.00 to purchase police car tires, one-ton tires, ranger tires, and tools in 2023. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding the 2024 Preliminary Budget Worksheet. Line#427 Salt and Sand increase that to \$9,000.00. For the transfer site at the shop the cement blocks can be purchased from the New Richmond Plant. The Police Tires were taken out of the 2024 budget. The One-Ton Tires was taken out of the 2024 budget. The Ranger Tires were taken out of the 2024 budget. The tools were taken out of the 2024 budget. The fan for the Village Office \$2,000.00 was put in the 2024 budget. Library electrical \$4,000.00 was put in the 2024 budget.

Any other business. Bjorklund stated we had talked about borrowing for the #2 Well, but at this time the auditors recommend that the expense should just go into the Water Utility for this year and not bring any borrowing to the board at this time.

The next meeting date is set for Monday, October 30, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

Motion Raddatz/Darren Peterson to adjourn at 6:25 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.  
Jodi A Gilbert, Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.