Minutes of the Meeting of the DeMotte Town Council October 23, 2023

In attendance were, Jeff Cambe, Alana Bauman, Terry Schultz, Dale Eenigenburg, Clerk Treasurer Cindy Shepherd, Administrative Assistant Tara Howard, Attorney Luis Vallejo

Town Council President Jeff Cambe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Alana Bauman made a motion to approve the September 25, minutes. Dale Eenigenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.

New Business

Trick or treat hours will be on Tuesday October 31 from 4:30-7 p.m.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette gave the police report. Tom reported that they are all ready for Halloween. Tom would like to table the discussion for a 7th officer until the next meeting.

Public Works Superintendent Dave Yurko gave the public works report. Dave reported they received the new service truck this week. They are very pleased with it. Dave also reported that the cost of the filters for the press has increased. Dave talked with Sewer Commissioner Terry Schultz, and they will only replace half this year and the other half next year.

Street Department Superintendent Mike Orsburn gave the street report. Mike reported the leaf program started today. Mike reported that at the end of the day the transmission went out on the dump truck. Mike will get quotes for the repairs.

Town Council President Jeff Cambe gave the town manager report due to Mike Cain's absence. Jeff introduced Mitch Eschweiler from Baker Tilly. Mitch presented the council with the sewer rate study. The council would like to look the study over and table this until next month.

Clerk Treasurer Cindy Shepherd gave the treasurer report. Cindy presented the 2024 budget. The council would like to waive the 2nd reading of the 2024 budget. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to approve waiving the second reading of the budget. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried a 3-0 vote.

The council would like to move forward and adopt the 2024 budget. Terry Schultz made a motion to approve the budget. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.

Chip Thompson from Abonmarche Consultants gave the engineering report. Chip reported they are working on closing out the projects by I65. Chip reported that they have been working with Dave on some projects that need to be addressed at the sewer plant.

Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. and Alana Bauman seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 3-0 vote.

Town Council President

Administrative Assistant