

**Thomasboro Village Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 5, 2014**

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*Thomasboro Village Hall  
101 W. Main Street, Thomasboro, Illinois*

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomasboro was held on Monday, May 5, 2014, President Brad Morris presiding. President Morris called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**Roll Call**

The Village Clerk called the roll, finding the following members physically present: Village President Brad Morris; and Trustees Joe Wilson, Jeff Robertson, and Kim Ratts. Trustees W. Jake Tatar and Roger Rosenbeck were absent.

Other Village officials present: Leon Albers, Treasurer; Keith Willis, Chief of Police; Jay Arnold, Public Works; and Jeremy Reale, Village Clerk.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Following roll call, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Appointment of Village Trustee**

President Morris announced his appointment of Anthony Grilo to fill the vacancy created on the Board of Trustees by the resignation of Fred Meek. Trustee Wilson moved to approve the appointment of Anthony Grilo to the Board of Trustees for the remainder of the term expiring May 2015. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Village Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Wilson, Robertson, Ratts and Morris – 4  
**NAYS:** None – 0  
**ABSENT:** Tatar and Rosenbeck – 2

**Motion carried by roll call vote of 4 to 0, with 2 members absent.**

**Installation of Village Trustee**

Mr. Reale administered the oath of office to Trustee Anthony Grilo, who then assumed his seat on the Board of Trustees.

**Discussion/Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Trustee Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2014 regular meeting, as prepared. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried, all present voting "aye".

**Presentation of Bills**

Following a review and discussion of the monthly bills, Trustee Wilson moved to approve the payment of the bills listed and the regular bills yet to be received. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Village Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Wilson, Robertson, Ratts and Grilo – 4  
**NAYS:** None – 0  
**ABSENT:** Tatar and Rosenbeck – 2

**Motion carried by roll call vote of 4 to 0, with 2 members absent.**

## **Committee Reports**

**Police & Safety:** Chair Wilson discussed the monthly activity report. Chief Willis also reported that he had accepted a letter of resignation from Officer Zach Milt during the month of April.

**Personnel:** Trustee Wilson reported that Mark Odum had begun working as part-time Public Works Assistant in April. As this item had not been included on the agenda for the present meeting, the formal approval of the hiring of Mr. Odum would be placed on the agenda for the June regular meeting.

**Building Permit & Liquor License:** Mr. Reale reported that a Class E Special Event Liquor License had been issued for the Thomasboro Street Dance on June 14, 2014, with all necessary insurance paperwork having been submitted to the Village. He added that he had filed notification of the special event with the IMLRMA and there were no concerns raised.

**Health, Sanitation & Public Relations:** President Morris noted that the spring community cleanup was scheduled for Saturday, May 17, 2014, from 8:00am to noon.

**Waterworks & Sewer:** Chair Robertson reported that Mr. Arnold had recently been busy addressing water leaks at different locations in the Village. President Morris distributed some information from Greg Gustafson on possible options for a grinder-impeller unit to address the ongoing issues with blockages in the lift station pumps.

**Streets & Alleys:** No report.

**Civil Defense & Parks:** Chair Ratts reported that monthly siren testing would be conducted on May 6, 2014.

## **Old Business**

- A) Discussion/Action on approving quote for off-street parking area at West Side Park**  
President Morris reported that Mr. Arnold had obtained an approximately \$4,500.00 quote for rock to create a roughly 250' x 25' area for head-in parking. In discussing the park area, Chief Willis also suggested that the Board consider placing lidded trash receptacles in the park to better prevent large accumulations of refuse from being strewn about the area by high winds or animals. Trustee Ratts agreed to look into those options.

Trustee Ratts moved to approve the quote for rock in the amount of \$4,500.00. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion.

The Village Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Wilson, Robertson, Ratts and Grilo – 4  
**NAYS:** None – 0  
**ABSENT:** Tatar and Rosenbeck – 2

**Motion carried by roll call vote of 4 to 0, with 2 members absent.**

## **New Business**

- A) Discussion/Action on approving second potty house for West Side Park**  
President Morris recommended that a second potty house be temporarily added to the park area to accommodate the upcoming special events, including the sesquicentennial celebration. This would also provide a facility that would be accessible for persons with disabilities.

Trustee Wilson moved to approve temporarily placing a second potty house at West Side Park through the month of June. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Village Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Wilson, Robertson, Ratts and Grilo – 4  
**NAYS:** None – 0  
**ABSENT:** Tatar and Rosenbeck – 2

**Motion carried by roll call vote of 4 to 0, with 2 members absent.**

#### **Comments and Questions from the Audience**

Harold Kirby addressed the Board with concerns about dilapidated fencing that had been erected by the previous owner of an adjacent property. He stated that the fence had been built some years ago and encroached upon his property by roughly two feet. The property had recently been sold and Mr. Kirby had tried to convince the new owner to remove the fence; however, he was no longer able to get in contact with the gentleman. He told the trustees that he would like to see the fence taken down so he could enjoy the full use of his property. President Morris responded that he would visit Mr. Kirby's property to look at the situation and follow up on this issues.

#### **Treasurers Report**

There was no discussion regarding the Treasurer's Report.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried viva voce vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeremy A. Reale, Village Clerk

The undersigned Village Clerk of the Village of Thomasboro, Illinois, does hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held May 5, 2014, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

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Village Clerk