

**Thomasboro Village Board of Trustees
Reconvened Regular Board Meeting
November 13, 2018**

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

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomasboro was reconvened on Tuesday, November 13, 2018. President Evans called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll Call

The Village Clerk called the roll, finding the following members physically present: President W. Tyler Evans; and Trustees Anthony Grilo, Anna Martin, Kyle Henegar, Dustin Rhodes, Ronda Scott, and Trent Sage.

Other Village officials present: Leon Albers, Treasurer; and Jeremy Reale, Village Clerk.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Consideration of purchase of dura-patcher

The Board had deferred consideration of the purchase of a used piece of equipment from Hampton Equipment for the amount of \$20,000.00. Trustee Rhodes asked if any pricing information had been obtained from an alternative vendor. President Evans replied that he did not believe Thomasboro was within the sales territory for the other vendor; however, this had not been confirmed.

Trustee Henegar asked about the timeframe for renting the dura-patcher rather than purchasing the equipment. President Evans noted that the cost for renting the machine would be \$3,800.00 per month and it was likely that the equipment would not be available to the Village until the fall of 2019. If the Village was interested in renting the dura-patcher, it would need to be placed in a queue with other entities and its availability would be determined based on the number entities already scheduled to rent the machine ahead of Thomasboro. Following discussion, the consensus of the Board was to move forward with placing the Village on the list for renting the dura-patcher as soon as it would be available.

Authorize General Fund line item transfer in the amount of \$4,000.00

A line item transfer from the Streets Maintenance Service Equipment account to the Streets Equipment account had been proposed to cover the cost of purchasing a dura-patcher. As the Board had agreed not to move forward with the purchase, the line item transfer was no longer necessary and no action was taken.

Update on Safe Routes to School Grant Program

President Evans reported that the Village had received from the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission checklist for items needed to be completed in order to apply for the grant program. At this point in the cycle, it would not be feasible for the Village to compile the required documentation in order to meet the application deadline for this year's SRTS program. Carla Millar reported that she had done extensive research on the grant application process, noting that the federal government had changed the process since the Village's previous application to the

program. Therefore, the information used in that prior application would not be sufficient to meet the new standards. In addition, there was a new requirement in place that participating agencies must designate a fiscal agent to prepare the grant application and manage the grant on behalf of the unit of government. She stressed that it was very important for the Village to prepare a thorough SRTS grant application that meets all requirements, as a substandard application could impair the Village's viability in competing for other federal awards.

Update on Housing Repair Committee

Trustee Grilo stated that Ms. Wattjes did not have time during regular business hours to work on the notice letters for property owners with code violations. He requested that she be approved for additional hours to work on the project outside of normal working hours. He stated that a master list of thirty-five properties had been developed and letters would be sent to each of those property owners of record.

Comments and Questions from the Audience

Carla Millar stated that there was a 501(c)(4) organization based out of Rantoul that existed to provide housing services for all of Champaign County. She noted that she would be involved in working with officials from that group to expand its programs and possibly partner with the Village of Thomasboro in its housing improvement efforts. For example, a dilapidated home could be granted to the non-profit organization for the purpose of rehabilitation. This would relieve Village elected officials of any possible conflicts of interest concerning property acquisitions.

Gary Rosenbeck asked if any decision had been made with respect to putting skids on the snow plow, as he had requested at a previous meeting. Trustee Grilo responded that he had been advocating for this to be done during the current plowing season; however, Mr. Martin had been concerned that doing so would increase salt usage. Trustee Grilo said that he was not certain a final decision had been made on the issue.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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 reconvened on November 13, 2018, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Village Clerk