#### VILLAGE OF THOMASBORO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, MAY 2, 2022

### VILLAGE HALL BOARD ROOM 101 W. MAIN STREET, THOMASBORO, IL 61878

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomasboro was held on Monday, May 2, 2022, President W. Tyler Evans presiding. Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

### Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Evans led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call

Upon Roll Call, the following members were present: Mayor Tyler Evans, Trustee John Curry, Trustee Jeff Robertson, Trustee Anthony Grilo, Trustee Dustin Rhodes, Trustee Dustin Hill, and Trustee Cale Coffin

The following representatives of Village departments were also present: Eric Shumate, Chief of Police, Chad Polsky, Public Works Superintendent, Leon Albers, Treasurer, and Tana Ward, Village Clerk

# Discussion / Approval of Minutes

The April, 2 2022 Board Meeting Minutes and the April 13, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes were deferred to the June 6, 2022 Board Meeting.

# Presentation / Approval of Bills

Following a review of the monthly bills, Trustee Grilo moved to authorize and approve the payment of the current and anticipated bills as specified on the financial report. Trustee Hill seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin, Curry, Robertson

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

# **Committee Reports**

Trustee Coffin reported on the Veteran Banners. Currently there are a dozen that will be processed during May. A second round are anticipated to be submitted early July.

### **Police Department**

Chief Shumate provided the Police report with no additional items of note.

#### **Public Works**

No Public Works report was provided.

#### **New Business**

Trustee Grilo made a motion to adopt an Ordinance prohibiting parking on both the north and south side of the street from Schluter Street to the Eastern limit of the 500 block of West Clark Street, to be added the list of No Parking areas described in Chapter VII, Schedule III of the Village Municipal Code, as proposed by Attorney Jason Bartell, to alleviate the traffic flow issues. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin, Curry, Robertson

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

Mr. Polsky provided three quotes for replacing the fencing and gate at the Public Works building. Quotes were received from S & K Exteriors, Kodiak Improvements, Inc, and Main Street Construction.

Trustee Coffin made a motion to approve the bid from Main Street Construction with a contingency, not to exceed \$23,000 total. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion with amended changes.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Coffin, Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Rhodes, Hill

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

Trustee Grilo made a motion to authorize and approve adding Larry Scott as a part-time Public Works staff person to aid with mowing throughout the Village at a rate of \$17.00 per hour. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin, Curry, Robertson

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

Trustee Coffin made a motion to authorize and approve a \$150 donation

to the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission for the Electronic Recycling events to be held in 2022. Trustee Curry seconded the motion with amended changes.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Coffin, Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Rhodes, Hill

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

Trustee Rhodes reported on the finalized EJ Water Cooperation documents. The Board consensus was to move forward with the process as voted in during the April 4, 2022 Board Meeting.

### **Old/Unfinished Business**

Mayor Evans discussed the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) project of jetting the Storm Sewer System. Shamburg & Shamburg out of Bloomington provided the lowest hourly rate of the quotes received to date.

Trustee Grilo made a motion to authorize and approve utilizing ARPA funding to move forward with the quote from Shamburg & Shamburg for jetting the Storm Sewer System on a contract basis, not to exceed 100 hours or \$30,000. Trustee Coffin seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin, Curry, Robertson

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

Mayor Evans provided an update on the potential additional ARPA funding from Champaign County that the Village had applied for. Of the five communities in the district, Penfield received \$70,000, Triple Fork received \$100,000 and Ludlow \$330,000. No explanation was provided at how the amounts were determined.

Mr. Albers added both Mayor Evans and Trustee Grilo had spent a lot of time and effort to secure these funds for the Village. All the work was appreciated greatly.

# Treasurer's Report

Mr. Albers provided the monthly Treasurer's report.

#### **Public Comment**

Vanessa Brownfield expressed concerns for the newly adopted No Parking Ordinance restrictions on West Clark Street. She stated that she is a six-year resident, and that she is giving notice that she is filing a lawsuit against the Village and Trustees for harassment. She later shared that videos of her children had been posted to Facebook without her consent.

Jake Brownfield also expressed concerns for the No Parking Ordinance that affects his street only. He stated that Pearle Street is an issue as well, and it should be treated in the same manner. He added that have been compliant, and they paid all of the Ordinance violations that they received to date.

James Miller reported that new neighbors behind him have up to nine cars on the street and in their yard. He suggested that the No Parking Ordinance should be expanded to other streets. He also reported a vacant house with excessive garbage, and reoccurring speeding that is not being enforced.

Carol Robertson reported that she was directly bullied at her home by Mrs. Brownfield, and she questioned why this was not followed up on as the Champaign County Sheriff's Deputy had stated.

Mark Ratts requested a 30-day extension to fix the issues that are addressed in the Nuisance Ordinance violations he had received. He reported that he is disabled, and he is planning to utilize the Village Dump Day to remedy much of the excess garbage on his property.

Mel Grice reported counterfeit money that he found in his hedges, and he wanted to assure the Village businesses were made aware.

Rhonda Scott questioned when the drainage project would begin.

Dee Phillips questioned the Village-wide Yard Sale advertising, and the location of sign postings.

#### **Closed Session**

Trustee Grilo made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 1, for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, performance, discipline, and/or compensation of one or more employees of the Village Trustee Coffin seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin, Curry, Robertson

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0

The Village Board entered into Executive Session at 7:47pm, and the Village Board reconvened into open session at 9:18pm.

## Adjournment

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

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at 9:21pm.

Tana Ward Village Clerk

APPROVED:

Mayor W. Tyler Evans Village President

#### ATTEST:

I, Tana Ward, Village Clerk of the Village of Thomasboro, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on May 2, 2022 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Tana Ward Village Clerk