

VILLAGE OF THOMASBORO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023

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 1, 2023, President W. Tyler Evans presiding. President Evans called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Evans led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Upon Roll Call, the following members were present:

Mayor Tyler Evans, Trustee Jeff Robertson, Trustee Anthony Grilo, Trustee Dustin Hill, Trustee Cale Coffin, and Trustee Mickey Wilson

The following representatives of Village departments were also present: Leon Albers, Treasurer, Chad Polsky, Public Works Superintendent, Mike Martinez, Chief of Police, Deanna Zehr, Office Manager, and Tana Ward, Village Clerk

Oath of Office

Madam Clerk Ward, received the April 4, 2023 certified election results from Champaign County Clerk, Aaron Ammons. Mayor Evans administered the Oath of Office to Trustee Wilson, Trustee Coffin, and Trustee Grilo.

Presentation / Approval of Bills

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

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Hill, Wilson, Coffin, Robertson, Grilo

NAY: None

The motion carried 5-0

Discussion / Approval of Minutes

The April 3, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Trustee Coffin moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried viva voce vote.

Police Department

Chief Martinez provided his monthly report.

Public Works

Mr. Polsky provided his monthly Public Works report.

Trustee Robertson questioned the shed at a house on Church Street, and Trustee Coffin questioned two campers on a property that had been moved from Mahomet due to flooding issues. Trustee Hill reported that the individual is deployed overseas, and it was anticipated to return late April. Trustee Grilo added that the Housing Authority should issue an Ordinance violation letter, and that they should each apply for a permit.

New Business

Trustee Grilo made a motion to authorize and approve the purchase and install of pumps and motors at the Water Plant from A & R Mechanical Contractors Inc. at a cost of \$50,000.00 with a 10% contingency utilizing the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Hill, Wilson Coffin, Robertson
NAY: None

The motion carried 5-0

Trustee Wilson made the motion to authorize and approve a \$150.00 Donation to Champaign County Department of Planning and Zoning for the Residential Electronics Collection Events. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Wilson Coffin, Robertson, Grilo, Hill
NAY: None

The motion carried 5-0

Trustee Coffin provided an update regarding Police coverage from Champaign County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office is unable to provide contracted coverage until 2024 due to staffing shortages. Chief Martinez added that only one application had been received to date for a part-time Police Officer position, and that individual was not recommended. Trustee Coffin added that a full-time Ordinance Officer would be a good fit for the Village, as Champaign County Deputies are responding to most calls.

Old / Other Business

Mayor Evans provided an update to the Sidewalk Program Match Funding and the Church and Commercial Street Improvement projects. Attorney Jason Bartell is in the process of drafting the Ordinances.

Mr. Polsky provided estimates for the remaining jetting of the storm sewers from Bodine and Schomburg & Schomburg Construction Inc.

Trustee Grilo made a motion to approve the additional funding of \$7,000.00 to complete the remaining storm sewer project. Trustee Hill seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Hill, Wilson, Coffin, Robertson

NAY: None

The motion carried 5-0

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Albers provided the monthly Treasurer's report.

Committee Reports

Trustee Coffin reported on the Veteran Tribute Banners. Honorary Banners will be displayed from Memorial Day to Veterans Day.

Public Comment

Mayor Evans opened up the public comment portion of the meeting per the Open Meetings Act.

Jim Richardson questioned the rate per hour for Deputies from Champaign County Sheriff's Office to cover the Village.

Trustee Coffin stated that the rate is \$70-80 per hour, varying from 8 hours per month to full-coverage.

Bill Kurth questioned if the Village was rebuilding the current pumps and motors to be used as back-ups for the Water Plant.

Mr. Polsky stated that with the modifications the prior pumps and motors would not be compatible.

Mary Wanke questioned if the Veteran banners would be displayed in the same location as 2022.

Trustee Coffin stated that some would remain in the same location due to request.

Mary Wanke questioned who would oversee the Ordinance Officer.

Mayor Evans stated that the Officer would be part of the Police Department, and that Chief Martinez would oversee the staffing.

Mary Wanke stated that on April 14 racing had occurred on Clark Street, and that residents had been experiencing this nuisance for over six years.

Diana Hespo questioned how many violations that had been issued under the Freedom of Information Act.

Trustee Grilo stated that Ms. Hespo could submit a Freedom of Information Act.

Diana Hespo questioned if after the storm sewer drains are cleaned out, she would continue to see standing water for over three weeks after a rain. She added that she would contact the IL Department of Public Health if it was not resolved.

Trustee Robertson stated that he would take care of it.

Diana Hespo questioned if an individual was dead or alive that had been laying down on the bleachers during the day one day last week.

Trustee Hill stated that he was transported to the hospital by three Champaign County Sheriff's Deputies.

Diana Hespo stated that her plant stands had been stolen from behind her home.

Chief Martinez stated that she would need to provide a report, and he would investigate it.

Carol Robertson questioned what constituted a crime.

Chief Martinez stated that anything that violates the IL Criminal Statutes.

Rhonda Scott questioned how many hours that the Champaign County Sheriff's Office was devoting to the Village.

Mayor Evans announced that the annual Village-Wide Yard Sale event will occur May 5-6, and the annual Bulk Waste Clean-up will occur May 13.

Executive Session

Trustee Hill 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 Wilson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Hill, Wilson, Coffin, Robertson, Grilo

NAY: None

The motion carried 5-0

The Village Board entered into Executive Session at 7:52pm, and the Village Board reconvened into open session at 8:02pm. Office.

Adjournment

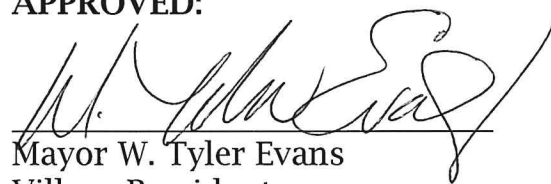
There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Hill moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried viva voce vote.

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at 8:03pm.



Tana Ward
Village Clerk

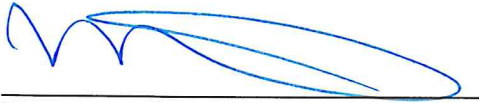
APPROVED:



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 1, 2023 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.



Tana Ward
Village Clerk