

VILLAGE OF THOMASBORO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024

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

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomasboro was held on Monday, February 5, 2024, Trustee Dustin Hill presiding. Trustee Hill the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Hill led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Upon Roll Call, the following members were present:

Trustee Anthony Grilo, Trustee Dustin Hill, Trustee Mickey Wilson, and Trustee Cale Coffin

The following members were absent:

Mayor Tyler Evans, Trustee Jeff Robertson

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

Presentation/Approval of Bills

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

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Coffin, Grilo, Hill, Wilson

NAY: None

The motion carried 4-0

Discussion/Approval of Minutes

Trustee Coffin moved to approve the January 8, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried viva voce vote.

Police Department

Chief Martinez provided his monthly report.

Chief Martinez stated that Officer Hector Melchor had received all of his equipment and protective gear. Officer Melchor will participate in ride-along sessions for two to three weeks prior to working independently within the Village.

Chief Martinez added that the Ordinance Officer Ryan Wild had issued courteously cards for multiple properties, and that there has been a notable impact already.

Public Works

Mr. Polsky provided the monthly Public Works report with no additional items of note.

New Business

Mr. Albers provided a report of two Village accounts which only include water service. Ordinance 634 passed on November 6, 2023 included an increase to the water rate and a decrease in the sewer rate to meet the minimum requirements under the Community Development Block Grant that the Village was applying for. Mr. Albers suggested that for individuals who have separate water-only service to be decreased back to the original rate.

Trustee Coffin made the motion to follow Mr. Albers suggestion, decreasing the water-only meters back to the original rate of \$19.00 per month. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Coffin, Grilo, Hill, Wilson

NAY: None

The motion carried 4-0

A bid from Premier Print Group for maps of the sewer and water system was discussed. Mr. Polsky added that it would be helpful to have additional copies for use outside of the office along with a thumb drive. The item was deferred until March for further discussion.

Trustee Grilo arrived at 7:22pm.

Trustee Hill stated that a date needed to be determined for the annual Budget Study. February 19 at 6:00pm was determined to be the best option for this.

The condition and state of the Village roads were discussed at length. The item was deferred until March for further discussion.

Previous conversions regarding adding a Village Administrator were discussed. The item was deferred until March for further discussion.

Old/Other Business

Trustee Grilo reported that the Village application was submitted for the Community Development Block Grant.

Mr. Polsky reported on the billing policies with EJ Water Cooperative as adopted when the Village contracted with them. If a property has an outstanding balance, the Village would need to place a lien on the property with Champaign County. Mr. Albers added that the Village currently has filed liens on two separate properties.

Trustee Hill stated that the Camper/RV Ordinance will need to be sent over to Village Attorney Jason Bartell to be drafted. Trustee Grilo added that items that were discussed previously regarding surrounding communities will be incorporated into the Ordinance. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Hill stated that the Solar Panel Ordinance has not been received back from Mr. Bartell. The items that were discussed previously are being incorporated into the Ordinance.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Albers provided the monthly Treasurer's report with no additional items of note.

Public Comment

Trustee Hill opened up the public comment portion of the meeting per the Open Meetings Act.

Meryl Wilson had questioned the flowing and draining issues on Clark Street. He also inquired if he could dig to make the ditch in front of his house larger.

Trustee Grilo stated that the Village would need to evaluate the area to see which direction that the flow should be going prior to digging.

Meryl Wilson questioned if the Village had ever written any grants to look for additional funding.

Diana Hespo stated that she had additional drainage issues.

Executive Session

Trustee Grilo made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 11, to consider litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Grilo, Hill, Wilson, Coffin

NAY: None

The motion carried 4-0

The Village Board entered into Executive Session at 7:51pm, and the Village Board reconvened into open session at 7:58pm.

Adjournment

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

Trustee Hill adjourned the meeting at 7:59pm.

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 February 5, 2024 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Tana Ward
Village Clerk