

VILLAGE OF THOMASBORO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2024

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, March 5, 2024, President W. Tyler Evans presiding. President Evans called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

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: Chad Polsky, Public Works Superintendent, Mike Martinez, Chief of Police, Hector Malcore, Police Officer, Deanna Zehr, Office Manager, Leon Albers, Treasurer, 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 Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEA: Coffin, Robertson, Grilo, Hill, Wilson

NAY: None

The motion carried 5-0

Discussion / Approval of Minutes

Trustee Grilo moved to approve the February 5, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Coffin seconded the motion. Motion carried viva voce vote.

Police Department

Chief Martinez provided his monthly report.

Chief Martinez also introduced Officer Malcore, who recently received the required equipment to start his part-time Village duties.

Public Works

Mr. Polsky provided the monthly Public Works report.

New Business

The Fiscal Year 2025 Budget was discussed. Mr. Albers reported that he and Ms. Zehr had updated the figures as discussed during the Budget Study. The Budget is slated to be voted on by the Board during the April Board Meeting.

Mr. Polsky stated that the Village was in need of updated sewer and water system maps. He had acquired a bid from Premier Print Group to complete the project, which would include additional laminated copies along with a thumb drive for future use that would be kept at Village Hall in a fire-proof cabinet for safe keeping. Trustee Coffin made a motion to table the project for a later date due to having a personal source that could complete the project at a lower cost. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. No vote occurred.

Mr. Albers suggested that the Utility Rate Study discussion to be postponed until a later meeting to allow Seth Flach of Milano & Grunloh Engineers to present the findings of the study. No formal vote occurred.

Mayor Evans tabled the discussion of the expenditure for the education and training for the Village Clerk to the April Board Meeting to allow for more research by the Village Trustees.

Other Business

Trustee Grilo reported the he and his family donated time to complete some maintenance work at West Side Park. The merry-go-round frame was painted, along with the base being greased up to function properly. Trustee Grilo also reported that his family would like to update the swing set next. He requested that the Village purchase five new sets of chain and seats for safety and aesthetics. A consensus of the Board was in agreement, however no formal vote occurred.

Mayor Evans tabled the ongoing discussion of the search and/or need for a Village Administrator for further research by the Village Trustees.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Albers provided the monthly Treasurer's report.

Committee Report

Trustee Coffin reported that the Veteran's Banners would be in process to be hung soon.

Public Comment

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

Diana Robertson questioned why all of the Village meters were not installed.

Trustee Grilo stated that new water lines were slated to be installed in the Main Street area, and a federal grant was applied for. The water meters were put on hold for this area of the Village until the new lines were installed. The water meter project will be completed during the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget period.

Diana Robertson then questioned why the Minutes were not up-to-date on the Village website.

Trustee Grilo reported that the Board Minutes are not published until they are approved by the Board during the following monthly meeting.

Diana Robertson questioned if the Board Meeting could be videoed for those who are unable to attend the meeting.

Diana Robertson questioned why the decision was made to outsource the utility billing to EJ Water Cooperative.

Diana Robertson stated that Wayne Duke of Champaign County Regional Planning Commission had shared about grants that may be available to citizens of Thomasboro.

Dane Dale provided kudos to Officer Malchor for following up on local complaints.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

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 7:34pm.

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

Tana Ward
Village Clerk