### VILLAGE OF THOMASBORO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 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, February 7, 2022, 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 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 Sumate, Chief of Police, Chad Polsky, Public Works Superintendent, Leon Albers, Treasurer, Viveca Phipps, Office Manager, and Tana Ward, Village Clerk

## **Audit Report**

Neal Kuester with Feller & Kuester CPA presented the annual Independent Auditor's Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

# Discussion / Approval of Minutes

The January 3, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Trustee Grilo moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Trustee Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried viva voce vote.

# 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, and including the bi-annual IEPA invoice received. Trustee Curry seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin - 6

NAYS: None – 0 The motion carried 6-0

### **Committee Reports**

Trustee Grilo offered kudos to Mr. Polsky for snow removal during the recent massive snowstorm. Trustee Grilo also reported on the Occupancy Permit needed for new construction builds for some financing institutions. Sample permits were shared from neighboring municipalities.

Superintendent Polsky provided the Public Works monthly report. Lance has accepted a full-time employment position with Rantoul, however he is still on the payroll and he may be interested in working on a part-time basis. Josh Orchard helped with the recent snow removal, and he may be interested as well on an as needed basis. Mr. Polsky reported that while plowing Main Street during the recent snow, he hit a Chevy Tahoe and broke the gas tank cover. Mr. Polsky stated that Justin Ike has expressed interest in purchasing the salt spreader that is no longer needed from the Village. Discussion ensued on whether it is more costly to maintain, or if it should be sold. Mr. Polsky will get estimates for anticipated maintenance cost.

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

#### **New Business**

Chief Shumate provided neighboring Ordinances regarding nuisance violations. Attorney Bartell had reviewed and highlighted suggested language to be adopted by the Village. Trustee Grilo questioned the impact of updating the Ordinance, and the cost that the Village would incur. Chief Shumate added that this Ordinance change will give the Village more resources to place liens on properties that are not in compliance.

Current Ordinances were discussed, including the ability to fine when parked on the street during accumulating snow. Mr. Polsky will contact Chief Shumate, and he will ticket those not in compliance moving forward.

Trustee Coffin motioned to approve <u>Resolution 2022.02.07</u>, a Resolution to authorize establishing a bank account for donations for the Veteran Banners project. Trustee Hill seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin - 6

NAYS: None - 0 The motion carried 6-0

### Old/Unfinished Business

Mr. Polsky presented quotes received for the West Side Park mulch, and the barrier curb needed to contain the mulch. 3W Excavation & Concrete quote came in the lowest, however it is unclear if the perimeters are the same. Mr. Polsky will clarify the dimensions and assure that excavation is included in the quote. Trustee Rhodes questioned the usage of rubber mulch due to the heat and maintenance cost to upkeep, the consensus was that engineered wood mulch is the preferred product.

Mayor Evans presented the Village Storm Sewer Study. The draft was structure for a starting point to utilize American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Fehr Graham to provide cost estimates for a complete overhaul of the system. Trustee Grilo suggested acquiring quotes to clean, camera, and jet out the entire system to better evaluate what needs to be completed and repaired.

Trustee Coffin provided samples of the proposed Veteran banners. The banners will be displayed in the Village from Memorial Day to Veterans Day annually. Individual banners will cost approximately \$200 each, and private donations are anticipated to cover the entire costs.

### **Public Comment**

Gertie thanked Chief Shumate for taking the initiative to clean up the Village with the proposed Ordinance changes. She added that there are more Veterans than may be known, and the project is a nice way to honor Veterans, both living and deceased.

Jim Richardson commented on the length of the grass and garbage to the north of the Village. He questioned the fencing that is not sufficient to enclose the tires on one property. He also gave kudos to Mr. Polsky for quickly removing the snow.

# Treasurer's Report

Mr. Albers provided the monthly Treasurer's report. Trustee Coffin motioned to approve the annual audit fee payment in the amount \$7,300. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin - 6

NAYS: None – 0 The motion carried 6-0

#### **Closed Session**

Trustee Rhodes 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 Curry seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Rhodes, Hill, Coffin - 6

NAYS: None - 0 The motion carried 6-0

The Village Board entered into Executive Session at 7:33pm, and the Village Board reconvened into open session at 8:51pm.

## Adjournment

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

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at 8:53pm.

Tana Ward Village Clerk

APPROYED:

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 February 7, 2022 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Tana Ward Village Clerk