VILLAGE OF THOMASBORO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021

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, November 1, 2021, President W. Tyler Evans presiding. President Evans called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll Call

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

The following members were not present: Trustee Dustin Rhodes, and Trustee Craig Stafford.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

President Evans led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion / Approval of Minutes

In the absence of a Village Clerk, the approval of the September 6, 2021 and October 4, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes were deferred.

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 Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4

NAYS: None – 0 The motion carried 4-0

Committee Reports

Mr. Polsky presented a proposal to evaluate the storm sewers on Church Street at a cost of \$13,500.00. This feasibility study would evaluate the current inadequacies and capacity, and give cost estimates for potential

replacement to increase the size, if needed, to bring up the storm sewer to current standards. The project cost would be included in the \$72,000.00 received under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

Trustee Hill moved to approve the request for proposal for storm sewer evaluation with Fehr Graham Engineering & Environmental not to exceed \$13,500.00. Trustee Curry seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4 NAYS: None - 0

The motion carried 4-0

Chief Shumate provided the Police report.

Mr. Polsky provided the Public Works monthly report. Items for consideration is replacement of a tractor windshield, quoted at \$720.00 plus installation. Discussion ensued regarding the Pearl, Clark, Fredrick, and Meyer easements, and putting them out for bid in February to have the easements jetted, cleaned, and camera.

New Business

Trustee Curry moved to hire Viveca Phipps as the Village of Thomasboro Office Manager at a rate of \$20.00 per hour effective November 1, 2021. Ms. Phipps will assume the role of Village Clerk after training is completed, which should occur after three months. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4

NAYS: None - 0 The motion carried 4-0

Trustee Robertson moved to pass Resolution 2021-11.1 to add V. Phipps as a signatory on the Village bank account. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4

NAYS: None - 0

The motion carried 4-0

Discussion of purchasing of 250 water readers and 100 bases, totaling \$48,200.00, and utilizing the reserve account for funding, thus avoiding the 10% increase. To be presented during the December Board Meeting.

Mr. Polsky presented three bids received for the Bartell Street curb and gutter. The bids received were higher than anticipated. Discussion ensued regarding esthetics and comparables. Trustee Grilo moved to approve the bid from Duce Construction Company to correct the Bartell Street curb and gutter not to exceed \$10,000.00. Trustee Hill seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Grilo, Hill - 3

NAYS: Robertson - 1

The motion carried 3-1

Mr. Polsky presented a quote to replace and rotate two tires on the Village truck. Trustee Curry moved to approve the purchase of two new tires not to exceed \$400.00. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4

NAYS: None - 0

The motion carried 4-0

Trustee Grilo moved to approve the 5% wage increase retroactive to September 2021 for Public Works Superintendent Mr. Polsky. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4

NAYS: None - 0

The motion carried 4-0

Trustee Grilo made a motion to approve the purchase of a 1,000 pound scale for the water plant in the amount of \$1,420.00. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Curry, Robertson, Grilo, Hill - 4

NAYS: None - 0

The motion carried 4-0

Public Comment

Jim Richardson discussed the Dollar General overgrown landscaping, and patching the railroad crossing. He also commented on the curb and gutter passed earlier, which sets a precedence. He encouraged the Village to consider an Ordinance to avoid future purchases. He announced that the school board meeting is held the second Tuesday monthly, and he encourages public involvement.

Mel Grice questioned if the owner or renter is responsible for the appearance of a property. Mayor Evans shared that the land owner is the ultimate responsible party.

Bill shared concerns about the Open Meetings Act regulations and protocols that are in place for current meetings. He also questioned if the snow fence is still in process, and the railroad fencing maintenance.

Closed Session

No closed session was held.

Adjournment

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

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at 8:34pm.

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, transcribed from an audio recording, are a true and correct copy of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on November 1, 2021 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Tana Ward Village Clerk