# Thomasboro Village Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting April 12, 2021

Thomasboro Village Hall 101 W. Main Street, Thomasboro, Illinois

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomasboro was held on Monday, April 12, 2021. Zoom Meeting ID 83265356236. President Evans called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

#### Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following members were found to be present physically or via audio transmission: President W. Tyler Evans; and Trustees Mick Curry, Anthony Grilo, Dustin Hill, Dustin Rhodes, Jeff Robertson and Ronda Scott.

Other Village Staff present physically or via audio: Leon Albers, Treasurer; Chad Polsky, Public Works Superintendent; Eric Shumate, Chief of Police; Thomas Eaton, Office Manager; and Jeremy Reale, Interim Village Clerk.

#### **Discussion and Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Scott moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 regular board meeting and the March 8, 2021 special board meeting, as prepared. Trustee Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting "yea".

# **Presentation of Bills**

Following a review of the monthly bills, Trustee Curry moved to approve the payment of the bills and anticipated bills as specified on the invoice listing. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6

**NAYS:** None -0

The motion carried by roll call vote of 6 to 0.

# **Old Business**

Trustee Rhodes inquired about the status of the tree removal within the public right-of-way adjacent to the Kurth property at 100 W. Eads Street. President Evans responded that the removal contractor had experienced an issue with the lift equipment resulting in a delay of the project. He added that the contractor had indicated he would return to have the job completed by the upcoming weekend.

## **New Business**

## Discussion and approval of FY 2022 budget

Trustee Scott moved to approve the FY 2022 budget document as presented. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6

**NAYS:** None -0

The motion carried by roll call vote of 6 to 0.

Approval of annual contribution toward Champaign County electronics recycling events Trustee Curry moved to authorize contribution in the amount of \$81.00 to permit residents to participate in the 2021 free recycling events. Trustee Scott seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6

**NAYS:** None -0

The motion carried by roll call vote of 6 to 0.

### Approval of hiring of Office Manager/Village Clerk

Trustee Scott moved to approve the hiring of Thomas Eaton as office manager retroactive to March 30, 2021 at the hourly rate of \$18.00. Trustee Rhodes seconded the motion. President Evans noted that the concurrent appointment of Mr. Eaton as village clerk would become effective at the subsequent regular board meeting on May 3, 2021.

The Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6

**NAYS:** None -0

The motion carried by roll call vote of 6 to 0.

# **Public Comment**

Jim Richardson that Jay Arnold had supplied rock and Mr. Richardson had graded the alley south of Main Street and it appeared to be in good shape at the point. He added that he would most likely return to touch up any minor issues one more time.

Gertie Richardson encouraged everyone to pay attention to the reporting and technological issues experienced in the office of the Champaign County Clerk during the April consolidated election.

Cale Coffin echoed the comments of Mrs. Richardson regarding the incompetence of the county clerk. He further congratulated President Evans on his reelection, pledging his full support for the next term of office.

Trustee Grilo reminded those in attendance that the communitywide garage sales would be held on April 30 and May 1, 2021. Spring community cleanup day would be the following weekend on May 8.

Mr. Albers reported that Chief Shumate had discovered \$18.66 in cash during his inventory of evidence files. This would be deposited to the miscellaneous revenue line item. He added that the Village had also received payment in the amount of \$8,920.00 from Ameren under the terms of the new franchise agreement.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

There was no discussion regarding the monthly report as submitted.

## **Executive Session**

Trustee Grilo moved 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.

The Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6

**NAYS:** None -0

The motion carried by roll call vote of 6 to 0.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:27 PM. The Board reconvened in open session at 8:02 PM.

#### Approval of salary adjustment for Police Chief

Trustee Curry moved to authorize an increase in the annual salary for Chief Eric Shumate to \$52,500.00 effective May 1, 2021. Trustee Grilo seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

**YEAS:** Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6

**NAYS:** None -0

The motion carried by roll call vote of 6 to 0.

#### Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy A. Reale, Interim Village Clerk

The undersigned Village Clerk of the Village of Thomasboro, Illinois, does hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held April 12, 2021, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Village Clerk