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

A Teleconference Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomasboro was held on Monday, February 1, 2021. Zoom Meeting ID 82950681375. President Evans called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following members were found to be present via video or 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 via video or audio: Leon Albers, Treasurer; Chad Polsky, Public Works Superintendent; Eric Shumate, Chief of Police; Mike Martinez, Police Officer; Deanne Wattjes, Office Manager; and Jeremy Reale, Interim Village Clerk.

Discussion and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Trustee Scott moved to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2020 and January 11, 2021 regular board meetings, as prepared. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

YEAS:Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6NAYS:None – 0

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

Presentation of Bills

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

Police Department Report

Chief Shumate reported on a new law governing the use of force policies for police departments. He had taken some time to review and revise the department's use of force policy accordingly, adding that Thomasboro was now federally certified with its policy. This would open up the availability of grants to the Village. Chief Shumate also reported that he had ordered booklets on how to protect against identity theft. The booklets would be placed at the post office or residents would be able to request a copy and he would deliver to them.

Old Business

Mr. Polsky reported that new pumps and motors had been installed in Well #3 and #4 and were now fully operational. The well company will still need to inspect Well #2; however, it is continuing to run at this point. The invoices associated with the work have been submitted to the Village's insurance carrier. Payment will be issued once the Village had confirmed that all invoices for the project have been received.

Discussion and approval of date for budget study session

Following discussion, the consensus of the Board was to call a special meeting for Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM for the purpose of conducting the annual budget review session.

Discussion of change in weekly Republic Services trash collection date

President Evans noted that the change in weekly collection dates from Wednesdays to Tuesdays was scheduled to begin on February 16, 2021. The schedule change would be advertised on the Village's social media platform. Ms. Wattjes stated that she had drafted an informational flyer to be placed at various public venues around the community to notify residents of the change in schedule and would also include an informational notice on the February water/sewer bills.

Discussion and approval of \$1,000 contribution to Community Service Center

Trustee Grilo moved to authorize \$1,000.00 contribution to the Community Service Center of Northern Champaign County. Trustee Scott seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

YEAS:Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6NAYS:None – 0

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

New Business

Cale Coffin noted that he had submitted an email message to the mayor, trustees and staff concerning his request that President Evans submit his resignation or be subject to removal from his position by the Board.

Bill Kurth noted that the date selected by the Board for its budget study session was also Ash Wednesday. Due to this potential conflict, the consensus of the Board was to schedule the study session for Tuesday, February 16, 2021 instead.

Treasurer's Report

There was no discussion regarding the monthly report as submitted. Mr. Albers reported that the monthly water/sewer bills were anticipated to be issued a few days later than normal in February due to issues with the billing software.

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 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.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:22 PM. The Board reconvened in open session at 7:27 PM.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Scott moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion.

The Clerk called the roll:

YEAS:Curry, Grilo, Hill, Rhodes, Robertson, and Scott – 6NAYS:None – 0

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 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 February 1, 2021, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Village Clerk