

Thayer Village Board Meeting
July 12, 2021
7:00 p.m.
Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Monday, July 12, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Rob McMahan called the meeting to order at 7pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Paula Campbell, Ray Campbell, Mac McGlothlin, Terry McGlothlin, Rob McMahan, Ron Smith, Kaitlin Sullivan, Bobbie Trojack

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Tim Sullivan, John Ulery

GUESTS: Bob Crouch, Ron Erickson, Joe Hogan-Otter Lake Water Commission, Denzel Jines-Otter Lake Water Commission, John Sawyer-Fehr Graham Engineering

MINUTES

Rob asked for any changes on the minutes of the last meeting. On page 3 – 7th paragraph, it was \$975 for the radio to be pulled out. Delete repaired.

Paula made a motion to approve the minutes. Bobbie seconded.

EXPENSE PAYABLES

Written reports were distributed.

Mac made a motion to approve the expense payables. Paula seconded.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE – Vacant

No report

BUILDING AND ZONING – PAULA

No report

STREETS AND ALLEYS – RAY

No report

HEALTH AND WELFARE - BOBBIE

We have two pending citations. One was related to trash and a warning was issued on one of them. On the other, a citation was issued and it was his second violation within three months.

There is also a situation about a house on Harrison Street too close to the highway and they are piling junk on village property. This will be discussed under New Business.

UTILITIES - RON

No report.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - MAC

There were two rentals this month. They are supposed to be starting on the roof this week. Grass has been cut. New military flags are up at the Village Hall. They started the work on the statue installation today. John will order the Illinois State flag.

Police Report

Chief Sullivan read and submitted a written report.

Water - John

John submitted the water department summary for June. Bills were mailed out June 29th and he will read meters July 29th.

Bobbie made a motion to approve committee reports. Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Requests to Address the Board (by visitors and guests)

Ron Erickson purchased 101 E. Ebony and 107 and was going to build a house but will be waiting for the price of building materials to go down. He has been cleaning up the property and fixing up the house at 107. He found out when he had it surveyed that the fence was in the alley. He wants to replace the sidewalk. Rob said we would pay 50/50 on it. He asked if some trees could be taken out. Rob said that would be no problem.

John Sawyer – Fehr Graham Engineering & Environmental – He distributed a list of grants that they have helped to secure. Another page gave information on the DCEO's CDBG Public Infrastructure Grant Program. A lot of communities are looking at a five-year program. The interest rate is 1.3 % and should be going down to 1.1%. This can help with water lines, sewer lines, sewage treatment lagunes – if any of this needs improvement. They also do Motor Fuel Tax for a lot of clients. Rob asked what we need to do to have them be our engineer. He said we would sit down and come to an agreement based on what we need. Rob said we would try to meet prior to the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Joe Hogan – They are going to apply for a grant to do some updates on the water tank. They are going to try to do this through the Village of Thayer. We have documents and design work together to apply for the grant. A public hearing was held here in February and they have met with Rob a few times. Tonight they are looking for an ordinance of support for the project. He has the design work.

Rob said he had Roger send a letter to the roofing contractor. He had said if we cancelled we would have to pay 30%. Today he showed up with a dumpster. We will also get him to look at the leak at the community center.

Rob had Roger send a letter to the owner of 312 E. Main to give them 15 days to clean up the property. Kaitlin has not received the check yet for \$1580 from the title company for the clean-up of that property.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron said that a citizen came to him about the burning citation. He suggested we talk to him again. He said he was told he doesn't have a safe source of water. The second time he watched it and brought Ron over to check it. Chief Sullivan said when he was there at 10:30 pm there were three active fires with no supervision. The ordinance reads that only yard waste from his property can be burned and only from dawn to dusk. He cannot burn other people's waste. They are also required to have a water source. He felt he was being responsible when he came to get Ron to check it out. He has lived here all his life and has done this all along with no problem until now. **Ron made a motion that we have a meeting with him to come to an understanding and remove the citation. Paula seconded.** There was discussion that the ordinances are just now starting to get attention from citizens and ordinances are being enforced on things that they used to get away with. **Vote on the motion: Paula – Yes; Ray – No; Bobbie – No; Ron – Yes; Mac – Yes. Motion carried.**

Resolution of Commitment and Support – 2021-01 – for work on the water tower. \$578,000 block grant plus they are going to put in \$75,000 of their own money. Joe Hogan said the money would come through the Village of Thayer but would be no cost to the Village. **Mac made a motion for the repairs at no cost to the Village. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.** Resolution #2021-1 was signed and given to Mr. Hogan.

Regulation of Alleyways – **Mac made a motion that this be sent to the lawyer to become a new ordinance. Paula seconded. Motion carried unanimously.** Rob will send it to Roger.

Ron Erickson said he was warned not to have a fire without a hose. Once he gets water can he burn the branches? Rob said yes you can burn your own yard waste on your own property.

Teak and Harrison House – the stairs and other stuff in the yard is on city property and obstructing traffic vision. We need to let residents know they can park there but all the other stuff needs to be cleared off. There have been several complaints about it. Chief Sullivan will talk to the resident.

Rob will send the photos and citation to Roger and have him proceed for 109 E. Elm.

John had Josh Durbin do a couple repairs on storm sewers. We haven't received his bill yet. He did two of them in 6.5 hours. John will check with Bruce's welding on estimates to make storm sewer grates.

Terry will put an ad in the Virden paper to sell the 1994 International 4900 with Snow Plow. Sealed bids should be submitted at the Thayer Village Hall. Bids will be opened at the next meeting.

Mac made a motion to adjourn at 8:28. Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry McGlothlin
Village Clerk