

Thayer Village Board Meeting
Village Hall
November 8, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.
Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Monday, November 8, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Call to Order – Rob McMahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Staff Present: Chief Tim Sullivan, John Ulery

Guests: Robert Crouch, John Sawyer, Elizabeth Zweigart, Patrick Zweigart Jr.

ROLL CALL

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

Fehr-Graham – John Sawyer

Mr. Sawyer distributed information on grants that are available.

Rebuild for downtown main streets – it is related to COVID. Illinois has a grant program to focus on downtown and commercial areas for communities, especially where business was lost or closed due to COVID. The grants are from \$250,000-\$3,000,000. There is a January 10, 2022, deadline and an electronic submittal. There is no matching required, but bonus points will be awarded if money is contributed. Eligibility requirements – must be in downtown area with multiple facing establishments and must be bondable. Since this is the first time, we are not clear on the statement about multiple facing businesses. It would cost approximately \$15,000 to apply.

CDBG – Public Infrastructure Grant Program – This is the application that we did for the Thayer water tower. For communities with low to moderate income levels and targets projects that they are in need of. One of the projects was the water main replacement. Three-fourths of the water main has been replaced but the remainder is a brittle type and has asbestos in it. The cycle will probably open up next summer and we will have to submit by fall. We need lead time so will need to know shortly after the new year at the latest. We have most of the information in place from the water tower project. This grant fits the water main replacement the most.

MINUTES

The draft written minutes from October 12, 2021 were distributed. *Paula made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Bobbie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.*

EXPENSE PAYABLES

A written report was distributed. *Mac made a motion to approve Expense Payables as written. Paula seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Zoning – Paula

Received a building permit for 107 Ebony for a house addition.

Streets and Alleys – Ray

No report.

Health & Welfare – Bobbie

Received complaints on 310 Ebony. Also received complaint on back yard for 302 West Elm in back yard.

Utilities – Ron

No report.

Building & Grounds – Mac

They have not started the door on the Community Center garage yet because the owner was injured.

December 17th Santa Claus will be coming to town. He will start riding around by 5:45-6:00. We typically give the Fire Department a \$100 donation.

Trunk or Treat went well with about 240 kids attending.

Water Report

For October – 2 customers shut off for November for non-payment.

1 water break

1 new applicant

Water bills were mailed November 1st.

Police Report

Chief Sullivan submitted a written report.

Mac made a motion to approve committee reports as submitted. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously..

Requests to Address Board from Citizens

Patrick Zweigart and his wife came to express concern that they are having with their neighbor's barking dogs, and about a fence section that they thought was too tall. They have tried to work with the neighbors and have called the police and he tried to mediate. They do have cameras but don't have the audio right now. If they can show Chief Sullivan proof of the violation he can give them a warning first, and then an ordinance violation if the problem continues. They do have signs posted that there are cameras for video and audio. We will also need to check the fence.

Reading of the Mail

We received a violation of not having an operator for the water testing because it wasn't done in 15 days. It was done but didn't get to them. They withdrew the violation once they received the information.

OLD BUSINESS

We did get the tires for the police car.

Paul repaired the outlets in the carport.

NEW BUSINESS

The camera in the police truck is not working. Chief Sullivan provided a quote for \$2805.45 for a replacement. ***Mac made a motion that we get the new camera if this is the price including installation. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously***

The heat in the water room at the Community Center quit working. Paul Goekner quoted \$2100 for a new electric heater. John said Snell's bid for new gas was \$5,600. ***Paula made a motion to accept Paul Goekner's bid and purchase the new electric heater. Mac seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

Mac made a motion to give \$100 for the Virden Fire Department for Santa Claus and to spend \$100 for candy to fill the bags. Paula seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Kaitlin volunteered to buy the candy and fill the candy bags.

Bobbie said that Tammy offered to do the letters from Santa if no one else wants to do them.

Mac made a motion to go into Executive Session. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests and staff left during Executive Session.

Mac made a motion that we approve Christmas bonuses to full-time employees. Paula seconded. Motion carried.

Camera on the war memorial and in the back of the garage are out. Chief Sullivan suggested we upgrade to the wired system like what we have on the community building. (Swann brand) Sam's had it on sale for \$329 for an 8 camera system.

Bobbie made a motion that we purchase the Swann cameras from Sams for the Village Hall. Paula seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Grant – There was discussion about the grant application for the water lines. ***Mac made a motion that we move forward with the grant application to replace the water lines. Ray seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

Mac made a motion to adjourn. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

***Respectfully Submitted,
Terry McGlothlin, Village Clerk***