Thayer Village Board Meeting August 9, 2021 7:00 p.m. Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Monday, August 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Rob McMahan called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

ROLL CALL

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

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Tim Sullivan, John Ulery

GUESTS: John Bednar, Shelly Jo Cloyd, Van Dwinnells, Hayden Yager

MINUTES

Rob asked for any changes on the minutes of the last meeting.

Mac made a motion to approve the minutes. Paula seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

EXPENSE PAYABLES

Written reports were distributed. Durbin Construction check will be moved to Water and Sewer.

Paula made a motion to approve the expense payables. Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS FINANCE – Vacant

No report

BUILDING AND ZONING - PAULA

A building permit was applied for by Greg & Debbie Maynerich.

STREETS AND ALLEYS – RAY

No report

HEALTH AND WELFARE - BOBBIE

There was a warning issued for 205 E. Main for garbage, weeds and obnoxious growth. On July 2^{nd} a citation was issued and they have until today to comply.

UTILITIES - RON

No report.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - MAC

The grass has been cut. Building has been rented twice this month. The military statues have been installed at the village hall Veterans Memorial.

Police Report

Chief Sullivan read and submitted a written report.

Water - John

Penalties were applied to 16 people. 8 were shut off and all but 1 have paid. There were no water breaks.

Mac made a motion to approve committee reports. Ray seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Requests to Address the Board (by visitors and guests)

Van Dwinnels introduced himself. He does minor landscaping and property clean-up. He wanted to offer his services and give us his contact information. Lawncare is his primary business. He will do clean up on abandoned properties. Rob asked for a bid on 312 E. Main Street. He can mail the bid to Box 139.

Taylor Yager – His brother, Matt, lives in town and there have been complaints about cars being on the side of the road. The local police told him to clean it up and they might be putting a no parking sign in front of his house. That is his only parking space. There are a lot of cars that fly up and down there. He suggested a four-way stop. If a stop were put in place there should be no issue. Mac said IDOT would need to do a traffic study. Taylor said Matt works 14-hour days and so there are only 1-2 cars during the day. Mac suggested putting parking space in the yard on the south. He is currently parking on city easement. Taylor said there is the same problem here at the Village Hall when there is a meeting. Others park on the side of the road. Rob said he can park there but not so many, along with the mowers, etc. Rob said we could request a study be done on the 4-way stop there. Taylor showed a picture of another residence with a similar parking issue.

John Bednar – He attended to discuss the citation he received for burning. He got the first violation because he wasn't present. He had come down a couple of times to check it and left when he thought it was safe. He has been burning for twenty years. Rob clarified that, according to the ordinance, he cannot bring brush in from other residences. He said he traded burning the brush for the firewood but in the future will just have to pay for the firewood. He does have a copy of the ordinance now, which was given to him following the last meeting. The board voted at the last meeting to waive the second citation. Per the ordinance only brush generated from the property can be burned.

Shelly Cloyd – She apologized for the shape of the property. She didn't know there were citations on the property. She has been ill due to an accident. She has a dumpster coming. She had Van Dwinnells clean up the property. She will leave her contact information so we can get hold of her. She is getting the windows fixed. As of the utilities, there is no water to clean with. The bills are sky high because of the last renters. It's \$2,000 just for the water and meter. \$1,000 in citations. She was considering opening a business there and has also considered selling it. Rob said we can't chase people down to get them to mow. The water bill is so high because the renters kept

turning the water back on themselves. That is why the meter had to be removed. If she decides to have a business, she would want to stay there to fix it up. She requested that the citations be decreased. She said it took two years to get them off the property. Rob said everything is going to stand until progress is made. She asked if she could make payments so that the water can be turned on. Rob said yes, we would be willing to work with her. He requested that she pay \$500 to put the meter back in. Then pay the water bill plus \$100 each month. Ray suggested she look to see if it has aluminum wires because if she does, she might have to have it rewired.

OLD BUSINESS

Everything is settled with Virden Water, and they turned in the grant.

Roof is done on the Village Hall. The cost was \$20,210.

Kaitlin got the check for \$1580.

We are still working on the alleyway ordinance.

No parking signs will be going up on Teak Street. We have the signs. They will go on south side.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2021-02 – Appropriations for FY 2021-2022 (May1-April 30)

Paula made a motion to accept the appropriation with the addition of \$20,000 for building maintenance. Mac seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The flat roof at the school needs replaced. It is 50 x 13. He has a bid of \$13,500. He is looking for volunteers to see if we can do it ourselves. Ron will look at it to see what is needed.

Storm sewers – John will have a couple more repaired.

Mac made a motion to block the road for trunk or treat again this year on October 30 from 5-7pm. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

An ad was placed for three weeks to sell the International. There was one bid for \$251. Rob thought we could sell it for scrap for more than that. He suggested we redo for bids or sell for scraps. Advertise it word of mouth and sell it. Rob suggested \$1600.

The police truck radio should be repaired by the first of September.

Drake resigned and accepted a job part time in Auburn.

Two lots on Elm and Roosevelt – For \$805 the village can purchase it. *Paula made a motion to purchase the two lots on Elm and Roosevelt for \$805. Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.* We have a \$3500 lien on the property.

We will be getting some money (\$80,000) due to COVID but there is paperwork to fill out. Kaitlin will send to Terry.

Kaitlin had signature cards for 1st National Bank and had everyone signed that needed to. Prairie

State Bank didn't get it done yet. She will call us when they are ready so we can sign prior to the next meeting.

Rob said 307 E. Main is being sold for taxes. They have until November 3^{rd} and set for hearing for December 10^{th} .

Paula made a motion to adjourn at 8:28. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry McGlothlin Village Clerk