

Thayer Village Board Meeting
Village Hall
September 12, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.
Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Monday, September 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

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

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Paula Campbell, Ray Campbell, Mac McGlothlin, Terry McGlothlin, Rob McMahan, Kera Pusch, Ron Smith

Board Members Absent: Bobbie Trojack

Staff Present: Kaitlin Sullivan, Chief Tim Sullivan, John Ulery

Guests: Ryan Bangert, Bob Crouch, Jeff Millburg, David Simmons

MINUTES

The draft written minutes from August 8, 2022, were distributed. *Mac made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Paula seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

EXPENSE PAYABLES

A written report was distributed. *Kera made a motion to accept the expense payables as submitted. Mac seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Zoning – Paula

Paula had a call about a lot in Sugar Creek. Someone wants to build a “barndominium”, a garage with rooms in the bottom for storage. She told them she would need to investigate it.

Streets & Alleys – Ray - No report

Health & Welfare – Bobbie - No report

Utilities – Ron Smith

One person called about a light out on Route 104. He will follow up on it.

Finance – Kera Pusch

No updates. Rob did talk to Lyndell and he said there isn’t much happening currently related to grants.

Building & Grounds – Mac McGlothlin

Grass is being maintained, holes being patched, and John has been digging ditches on Kennedy Road along with Calvin from Auburn Township. Building is being rented quite a bit in the next few months.

Water Report – John Ulery read aloud and submitted a written report.

Police Report - Chief Sullivan read aloud and submitted a written report for August.

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

Requests to Address the Board

Ryan Bangert – Sangamon County Building & Zoning

There are 2 options

Option 1. All zoning, permitting, inspections, and zoning board of appeals will be handled through Sangamon County Building and Zoning office. The Building and Zoning office will collect and keep all the fees for the permitting process. The Village of Thayer will have the final say in zoning issues.

Option 2. This option has the Village of Thayer handling the zoning permits. Once the zoning permit has been approved, the applicants will then reach out to the Building and Zoning office to apply and pay for the necessary permits needed. The Village of Thayer will keep any fees they charge for the zoning permit, and Sangamon County will keep any fees collected for the permits that they issue.

Included in both options Sangamon County Building and Zoning will handle any property maintenance complaints involving building code issues only. It should be noted that Sangamon County Building and Zoning is complaint driven when it comes to property maintenance issues. Meaning that they do not actively go out looking for violations. Both options will need to have the Village of Thayer enter into an inter-governmental agreement with Sangamon County. Once the agreement is approved by the Sangamon County Board, everything from that point on will fall under the agreement. Items before this agreement will be grandfathered in and will not be addressed until they are modified or replaced. All the above will not cost the Village of Thayer anything. However, the Village of Thayer will not receive any of the permit fees collected by Sangamon County. The Village would also have the backing of the County's legal representatives.

Questions:

What is the turnaround time? If a complaint comes in, they are addressed within the week. That is his goal. He gives them two weeks from the time the letter is written. Once they get a citation they usually call, and things are remedied.

Illegal burning? If it is an ordinance the Village would still handle that.

Building permits – If something is not up to code would they need to fix? If they are doing a permit for work outside, they don't go in the house. If it is something in the house, once it is opened any issues have to be addressed. Some things would be grandfathered in.

What is the cost of building permits? Permits are square footage x 007 but will be going up. Tax rates would not go up at this time but possibly would at a future date.

Buildings that need to be torn down – They try to have it boarded up, rehab or sell to a neighbor before tearing it down.

OLD BUSINESS

Lawn mower got pushed back until the middle of September, but they did give us a loaner.

Grates – Springfield Plastics has some so John can pick them up.

Community Picnic – Kera will be setting up a meeting soon.

Bids for garage – none yet. John talked to Adam Devries but haven't heard back yet. Mac will try to get some bids.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron Jombeck passed away. Visitation is this Saturday 2-4pm at the Community Center. He worked for the village for 23 years. *Mac made a motion we donate \$250 to help with funeral costs. Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

Trunk or Treat – October 30th from 5-8pm. *Mac made a motion that we increase the amount to give Chief to pass out candy to \$150. Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

Lightning Strike – We lost two monitors. Rob said he could get a couple. The total of all repairs has been under the \$1,000 deductible.

Chief Sullivan went over some ordinance violations –

915 E. Main Street – remains in violation because the building is open and hazardous.

215 E. Ebony Street – John cut the grass and that will be a \$75/hr. charge. Chief sent a letter to owner stating this. Total ordinance violation is \$325 for citation and cut.

106 E. Sycamore Street – Citation has been posted and mailed. We already have a lien on this home.

Chief Sullivan reported that Virden PD updated their radio system to digital. The most reasonably priced one he found was \$325 for a portable digital radio. That was the Cricket charge on the expense report.

We will need to appoint someone else to the water commission since Ron passed away. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

A resident asked John if they could do their 30 hours of community service for the Village. John is willing to supervise. *Mac made a motion that John supervise Matt for his 30 hours of community service. Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

Paula made a motion that Kaitlin purchase the W2s and 1099's for next year to avoid a \$30 shipping fee. Mac seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mac made a motion to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11th at 7pm.