Thayer Village Board Meeting Village Hall March 13, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Monday, March 13, 2023, 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

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Paula Campbell, Ray Campbell, Rob McMahan, Mac McGlothlin, Terry McGlothlin, Kera Pusch, Ron Smith, Bobbie Trojack

Staff Present: Austin Cronister, Kathy Kruse, Kaitlin Sullivan, John Ulery

Guests: Bob Crouch, Brenda Eller, Roger Eller, Tish Robinson

MINUTES

The draft written minutes from February 13, 2023, and the February 27, 2023, Special Meeting were distributed. *Mac made a motion to approve both minutes. Ron Seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

EXPENSE PAYABLES

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Building & Zoning</u> – Paula Campbell – No report.

<u>Streets & Alleys</u> – Ray Campbell – No report. Mac asked about putting signs up on the alleys about not driving thru or parking in grassed alleys. Ray said we would need to order them. Rob suggested "closed to thru traffic".

<u>Health & Welfare</u> – Bobbie Trojack – Some yards have improved, and others are worse. She didn't get the list made up because of the weather. She hopes to have the list by next month.

<u>Utilities</u> – Ron Smith – He had a phone call from Sugar Creek Hills, so he called Ameren and they took care of it. He talked to them about them checking the streetlights that are out. They said we would need to make the phone call. He suggested putting something on the web page to let people know what number to call if their streetlight is out. Kera suggested also posting the information at the post office.

<u>Finance</u> – Kera Pusch

Kaitlin said the 2021 audit is done. Once we get 2022 done, we can pursue the grants. Kera has the checks for the CDs. She will take them to the bank tomorrow.

Building & Grounds – Mac McGlothlin

The building has been rented quite a bit. TCU paid for a cleaning lady that came on Saturday. She cleaned the floor in the main hall and kitchen so far and will come back to do the kitchen and play area. March 25 @ 2pm we will stuff eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt.

<u>Water Report</u> – John submitted written copies of the water report.

<u>Chief</u> – He has been working on getting things transferred over.

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

Requests to Address the Board - There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Audits</u> – Kaitlin – The Auditor reviewed how we do things. During the review we noted that bookkeeping is not reviewed by someone other than the Treasurer. Kaitlin reconciles the bank statement, but no one else looks at them. Auditors recommended someone else look at them. They made the same suggestion for the water department. The monthly billing reports were not matching the collection reports. Kathy said it wouldn't match because there are unpaid accounts. Kathy runs a report around the 26th of each month that shows what people owe. Some account balances are over the FDIC limit, so Kaitlin needs to call to set up securities on those amounts. Dual control on payroll tax reports is also needed.

Rob swore in Austin Cronister as Police Chief.

The Easter Egg Hunt is April 8th - breakfast at the church from 7-9, parade at 9:30, hunt at 10.

John is eligible for a salary increase. After discussion, *Mac made a motion to increase John's salary by* \$1/hr., Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Kera made a motion that we go into Executive Session. Paula seconded. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. We returned to the regular meeting at 8:15.

While in Executive Session, water bill issues were discussed.

Motion: Paula made a motion that letters be sent out to anyone with an overdue water bill. The letter will tell them to pay their bills by April 10th or come to a meeting on April 11th at the Community Building to dispute or make arrangements. If they do not pay or come to the meeting water will be shut off on April 12th and will not be turned back on until the full amount plus reinstatement fee is paid. Ray seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Addendum: The Finance Committee met and slightly revised this plan. A letter was sent out to anyone overdue on their water bills telling them to contact Kera Pusch by March 31st to meet and set up a payment plan, or to pay in full by April 16th. The letter stated that if they do not comply their water will be shut off on April 17th until full payment is made plus penalties. Future water bills must be paid by the due dates listed on the bill or water will be shut off beginning in April. This was posted at the Post Office and on Facebook.

Mac made a motion to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 10th at 7pm.