

Thayer Village Board Meeting
Village Hall
May 13, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.
Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Monday, May 13, 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: Steve Crouch, Rob McMahan, Mac McGlothlin, Terry McGlothlin, Kera Pusch, Kelly Shores, Ron Smith, Bobbie Trojack

Guests: Bob Crouch, Randy Crouch, Norm Hansel, Jeff Milburg, Diane Nickell, Michelle Richardson, Tish Robinson, Mary Shade, Stephanie Ballinger, Benton & Associates

Staff: Austin Cronister, John Ulery

Requests to Address the Board

Norm from Brewerzz was present to request renewal of their liquor license.

Stephanie Ballinger, Benton & Associates spoke regarding our use of Motor Tax Funds - \$45,000 has an expiration of July 25, 2025, and they do have a right to take it back. The other funds that we receive annually can be carried over indefinitely. She distributed forms to complete to apply. Rob and Stephanie did a drive around in the Village to see where the most road work was needed. She submitted a chart showing that information, keeping in mind the upcoming water project.

Q: Can we use funds from previous years? Yes. No expiration date. She recommended doing maintenance at least every other year. The first step is getting the approval of the board, then go out for bid before we can have the work done.

Q: If we approve this, would funds come from the Motor Fuel Funds? Yes, all funds would be approved to come out of our Motor Fuel Tax fund.

Mac made a motion that we approve and move forward with the application process to use the Motor Fuels funds. Kelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The draft written minutes from the April 8, 2024, meeting were distributed *Mac made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

EXPENSE PAYABLES

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Grounds – Mac McGlothlin

Building has been rented. Grass has been cut. Windows for the Village Hall have been ordered and should be in before winter. A new summer worker has been hired. Fire extinguishers were checked and one replaced.

Building & Zoning – Steve Crouch

No report.

Finance – Kera Pusch

Reconciliations are being reviewed thru April 30th. The audit agreement is signed and in place for this year. Property taxes – they have stated we did not file the appropriate exemption status that we need. She will work on getting that done.

Police & Personnel – Mac McGlothlin/Kera Pusch

No concerns currently. Rob will cover while Mac is on vacation.

Health & Welfare – Bobbie Trojack

The four citations that were distributed last month need to be discussed. There were two issued last week. One has been resolved and the other was mailed to the owner that no longer lives here.

Streets & Alleys – Kelly Shores

Some citizens in Sugar Creek contacted him about the roads. The new plan will address that. John said a clogged storm drain was repaired.

Utilities – Ron Smith

Got the numbers for the materials for the garage. Someone has been calling him about a business that looks at what you have going on, and he is looking for information on the equipment we run, etc. Kera said that Ben followed up and said they are trying to sell us something.

Water Report – John read and submitted a written water report. The water billing system is working well with Otter Lake. Any questions should go to them.

Police Report – Read and submitted a written report. He also stated that his printer/fax machine is not currently working. He needs a replacement.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Draft Ordinances – Draft copies were distributed.

2024-02 – RVs - We did away with the permitting process. ***Mac made a motion that we approve as written. Kelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

2024-03 – Sheds – This is going forward, does not affect current sheds in place. For a permanent building a building permit will be required. Temporary sheds would just need placement approval. A survey will only be required if the property line is in question. Location and type of shed should be approved. ***Kelly made a motion to approve the ordinance as written. Steve seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

Repairs to Garage – Ron submitted a draft cost from Menards. TCU gave a check to the Village to cover the cost of the siding.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2024-04 – Appropriations for May 1, 2024 thru April 30, 2025

Under Motor Fuel Fund – Maintenance of Streets & Sidewalks – should be changed from \$52,500 to \$170,000 for the street work being done with Motor Fuel funds.

In response to Kaitlin's highlighted question about removing the funds for Benton – those amounts need to remain as is.

Mac made a motion to accept the budget with these two changes. Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mac made a motion that we issue a liquor license to Brewerzz. Kera seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Mac made a motion that Chief purchase a new printer for no more than \$300. Bobbie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Kelly had a call asking if we have any liquor licenses available to bring a new business into town. It was for a sandwich shop with packaged liquor and slot machines. Rob suggested he present to the Board.

Kelly had a call about farm animals in town – chickens, goats, etc. Is that an ordinance violation? Mac said due to a previous situation, a judge ruled that in Thayer you can have three animals. The judge did not designate what type. This was tabled for further discussion.

Chief reported that of four citations issued – there have been no responses. The first is a warning. If nothing is done a ticket is issued for payment. He suggested opening the water bill slot box back up and use it for police fines. ***Mac made a motion that Austin have a sign made for the mail box stating that. Kelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

June 5 @ 6pm – Finance Grant Committee will meet with Ben Spreen regarding the water grant.

Mac made a motion that we go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Kelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Executive Session started at 8:10 p.m.

Executive Session ended and Personnel was discussed.

Mac made a motion to adjourn. Kera seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.