Thayer Village Board Meeting Village Hall October 14, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. Approved Minutes

The Thayer Village Board met in regular session, Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Call to Order – Rob McMahan called the meeting to order at 7pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Steve Crouch, Jimmy Higgins, Terry McGlothlin, Rob McMahan, Kera Pusch, Kelly Shores,

Bobbie Trojack

Absent: Jay McCready

Guests: Matt Beard, Brandon Brown, Doug Burns, Bob Crouch, Robert Jones, Steve Maynerich, Jeff

Millburg

Staff: Kaitlin Sullivan, Tim Sullivan

MINUTES

The draft written minutes from the September 8, 2025, meeting were distributed. *Bobbie 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. Steve seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Building & Grounds</u> – Kera Pusch – She submitted five rentals. At the end of the month the haunted house will be held at the community center.

<u>Building & Zoning/Building Permits</u> – Steve Crouch – No report.

<u>Finance</u> – Kelly Shores – Working on the Route 66 sign – applied for a grant. We need to start fundraising. We talked about putting it in the area on the Sycamore Street curve. Ace Sign Company will work with the Scenic Byways staff to design a sign and possibly a mural and/or benches. We should get approximately \$15,000. He has approached a couple businesses and has \$2,500 and TCU might also donate. If we can come up with \$30-40,000 it would be tremendous. This must be done ASAP. Next year is the centennial. They will design and incorporate the history of Thayer. There is a mural north of Auburn on a grain bin. He suggested a sign that shows our progress with fundraising.

He did review the end of July reconciliation reports, and they were good. He is working to keep the loan process moving to supplement the grant.

<u>Health & Welfare</u> – Bobbie Trojack – She called and got a streetlight fixed on Main and Polk. Chief Sullivan continues with follow up on ordinance issues.

<u>Police & Personnel</u> – Kera Pusch – She has spoken with both employees. There have been some ordinance complaints that we will discuss later.

<u>Streets & Alleys</u> – Jimmy Higgins – No report.

<u>Utilities</u> – Jay McCready – No report.

<u>Police Report</u> – Chief Sullivan – Read a written report.

<u>Water Report</u> – John Ulery – Provided a written report.

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

Public Comment

<u>Steve M</u> – The situation at 51 Sugar Creek Hills has not improved. There are safety concerns. Several other neighbors could not make it tonight, so he came to represent. He has called authorities with concerns for lady living in the house. They are constantly burning and are scrapping so there is a lot of trash piled up. Always noise complaints, banging hammers all night. There are safety concerns for kids in the area.

Response: This has been turned over to our attorney and we are working on it. There was discussion regarding turning the water off for unpaid ordinance violations. Rob will call the attorney tomorrow and if he says we can shut the water off we will. Bobbie suggested checking with the Attorney General's office.

<u>Brandon B</u> – Ordinance violation – Is officer allowed to run plates on a vehicle in someone's yard? The car is intact and not in disrepair. He could not see the plates from the roadway. What constitutes an ordinance violation? It is licensed and operable, but registration expired for two months. It was sitting – not moving. He requested a copy of the ordinance and the body cam recording where he said he is allowed to do this.

Responses: It was a 30-day notice – not an ordinance violation. He did not have a front plate, so he was issued a 30-day warning to get a sticker or cover the vehicle. If there is an ordinance violation he can go on the property. He will need to submit a FOIA request.

<u>Doug B</u> – Two cars were towed. Both had insurance and legal plates. One was on private property. The other one had been sideswiped and pushed it 3 ft on the sidewalk. He had spoken to Chief Sullivan four days prior, and he told him he was waiting for insurance.

Response: The vehicle that was parked on the sidewalk was towed. It had been sitting for over 7 days. The truck was registered to someone else, had been abandoned, windshield cracked, windows down, flat tires. A 30-day notice was posted, and the vehicle could have been covered but wasn't.

OLD BUSINESS

There was a pre-job meeting with company doing the water line. Moved equipment in today and will start tomorrow on Sycamore Street. They plan to have water lines in by end of year and will come back in spring to finish.

The valve has been replaced.

Ordinances

There were two ordinances that have been discussed by the Board and approved by the Attorney.

Regulating Loud Noises – 2025-5

Solicitors – 2025-6

Bobbie made a motion that we approve Ordinance 2025-5 and 2025-6. Kelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>TIF Reports</u> – Kaitlin pulled the last report, and the next audit that is due. She did find instructions. Someone at Benton could help. Auditor prepared everything else but not sure why they don't do this. There has been no activity so it should not be difficult but must be on their forms. Kera will check with the auditors to see if they can do it.

Ordinance Violation Hearings - Chief Sullivan

Cleveland paid her fine.

Michelle R will get another letter for the \$350 she owes for 3 dogs.

51 Sugar Creek added a sidewalk, breezeway. Attorney asked him to write a citation every day.

Steve made a motion to adjourn. Jimmy seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.