

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 7, 2013**

A meeting of the Village of Tolono Board of Trustees (“Board”) was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. Trustees present: Denny Davis arrived at 6:45 p.m., Mike Golish, Jeff Holt, Greg Kingston, Ryan Perry, and Tom Reese. Others present were Larry Johnson and Matt Johnson of Foth, Attorney Marc Miller, Ted Myhre, Mayor Kent Plackett and Clerk Dixie Phillips. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Plackett and roll call taken.

Clerk Phillips presented the individual Oath of Office to the following persons elected by the residents of the Village of Tolono on April 9, 2013:

Mayor Jeff Holt
Trustee Mike Golish
Trustee Ted Myhre
Trustee Kent Plackett
Trustee Tom Reese

The parties took their respective seats and the meeting continued.

Public Comments:

Jeremy and Rhonda Sharp presented a geographic map of their area and asked the Board if the alley behind their property at 208 N. Calhoun Street could be vacated because their garage is located on the alley side and that is the only access to it. They were told of the process and that it would be reviewed at the next Board meeting on May 21, 2013.

Marlene Breen (707 E Marshall Street) said that the drainage problem was bad on her property and surrounding area. Mr. Plackett advised her that a catch basin was needed in that area. Mayor Holt advised Ms. Breen that he would like to form a committee for the drainage issues to include a couple of residents to go around and get all the areas with drainage problems categorized.

Ferrell Strack (203 S. Second Street) said that drainage was still a problem there and that his daughter lost everything in her basement at 607 Washington Street because of the drainage problem. Mr. Holt reiterated what he had said to Ms. Breen.

Larry Johnson presented a handout to the Board and discussed the fact that drainage tile could be extended. He also said that DJ Stewart will meet with Mr. Johnson, camera the lines, and possibly have a report for the Board at its next meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Perry, to approve the April 16, 2013 minutes as presented.

Reports:

Matt Johnson advised the Board that there was still money left from the SW Drainage Project and could be used for the downtown parking lot (approximately \$5,000) and the access road and path to the retention pond. He also stated that two catch basins were needed at a cost of approximately \$9,000. Mr. Plackett made a motion, seconded by Mr. Perry to approve the oil and chipping for the downtown parking lot and the installation of two catch basins. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Mike Golish – Yes	Greg Kingston- Yes	Ted Myhre – Yes
Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes	Tom Reese – Yes

Repaving the access road to the sewer plant with oil and chip was also discussed. Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Perry, to oil and chip the access road not to exceed \$7,000. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Mike Golish – Yes	Greg Kingston- Yes	Ted Myhre – Yes
Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes	Tom Reese – Yes

Mr. Kingston asked whether or not Benham Street road work could be upgraded because of the inconvenience and trouble caused to the residents living on that section of Benham Street to much like the work done on Rocket Road. Following discussion, Mr. Johnson was directed to bring prices for the various options to the next meeting for the Board to review.

There was no Public Works report. However, Mr. Perry asked about the repairs to the potholes because what the maintenance staff used was coming out as soon as cars drove over them. He asked about oil and chipping them. Discussion was held but no decision made.

After reviewing the April Treasurer’s Report, Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plackett, to approve the following transfers:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
Sales & Income Tax	Police Fund	16,500
Sales & Income Tax	Streets & Alleys Fund	3,600
	TOTAL:	\$20,100

A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Mike Golish – Yes	Greg Kingston- Yes	Ted Myhre – Yes
Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes	Tom Reese – Yes

Old Business:

Mr. Miller presented the Board with An Ordinance Rezoning 506 N. Calhoun, 508 N. Calhoun and 514 N. Calhoun From R-2 to R-3. Following a reading of a letter from Jim Snodgrass, statements from Trustees Kingston, Myhre and Plackett against the rezoning; and statements for the rezoning from Trustees Golish, Perry and Reese, Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Perry, to adopt the Ordinance. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast:

Mike Golish – Yes	Greg Kingston- No	Ted Myhre – No
Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – No	Tom Reese – Yes

The motion failed to pass because a majority was needed to pass,

New Business:

Mr. Holt said the Maintenance Department used to do what the Village now hires out and will take that into consideration when hiring a replacement for Ken Bragg.

Trustee Plackett suggested hiring a part-time person. Trustee Golish said that he feels the complaints about the maintenance crew were unfair because they residents don't see everything they do. Trustee Myhre said that he felt the Village should hire a Village administrator or have a full-time Mayor with administrative skills. Trustee Golish said he was not prepared to adequately have an opinion and that he would rely on the Mayor and not the Board to choose the new hire. Trustees Reese and Perry said no.

Trustee Ryan asked what the next step was since the Village passed the electric resolution. Attorney Miller said that before the Village voted, they have to have two public hearings

Clean-up Day was discussed and Clerk Phillips will get quotes from Allied Waste, together with the cost from last year for the next meeting.

Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Perry, to approve the Special Event Permit for Anna Morris. Motion passed.

Pay Bills:

The real tax bills were questioned as to why some were exempt and others were not. Attorney Miller will check into it and get back to the Board.

Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plackett, to pay the non-TIF bills with a correction on an ERH bill from \$500 to \$5,000. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Mike Golish – Yes	Greg Kingston- Yes	Ted Myhre – Yes
Ryan Perry – Yes	Kent Plackett – Yes	Tom Reese – Yes

Mr. Golish made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plackett, to pay the TIF bills. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Mike Golish – Yes
Ryan Perry – Yes

Greg Kingston- Yes
Kent Plackett – Yes

Ted Myhre – Abstain
Tom Reese – Yes

Mr. Holt told the Board that he would like to have committees consisting of two Board members and one or two residents to assist in resolving problems, i.e. TIF (which he said Trustee Kingston had and continues to do a good job being the Board's liaison), Streets & Alleys, Personnel, and Maintenance. He told them that he would meet with each one of the Board members to discuss it and to see what committee they wanted to be on or what committee would benefit the most from their expertise.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Plackett made a motion, seconded by Mr. Myhre, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie L. Phillips, Clerk