

**Village of Tolono Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting  
October 3, 2023**

The Village of Tolono Board of Trustees ("Board") met on October 3, 2023 in the Police Station, located at 205 E. Main St., Tolono, IL. President Rob Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:32pm. Roll call found the following trustees present: Daniel Grady, Ann Jack Haluzak, Jacob Naas, and Terrence Stuber. Trustee Jared Robbins arrived at 6:52pm. Also present was Clerk Brandy Dalton and Police Chief Justin Levingston.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Stuber gave the invocation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Larry Kearns thanked the Public Works Department for clearing the vision problems at the corner of Walnut and Vorcey Streets. He said nobody has come to talk to him about his tree yet. He was told to call Village Hall and put in a work order.

Diane Ducey discussed upcoming Tolono Fun Days events for Halloween and Christmas.

**REPORTS**

**Engineers** – Larry Johnson discussed the payment for MFT road work and said the SRTS grant was submitted on time.

**Public Works** – President Murphy said that the bucket truck is back from the repair shop but is still not fixed.

**Police Department** – Chief Levingston said that the Unity homecoming parade went well, he is still trying to get bids for the bathroom project, and they are working on background checks for a new part-time officer.

**Clerk/Treasurer** – Brandy Dalton said that she put together information from different banks on money market accounts and CD's. President Murphy said he was at Tolono Busey Bank this week and was told that they will match any other bank's rate for municipal money market accounts, and they have a 7 month CD at a rate of 5.5%.

**Board Members** – Trustee Haluzak said that she is excited that the Halloween golf cart parade is coming back this year. Trustee Stuber said he did not get the draft of a purchasing policy complete in time, but he will get it out for everyone to look at and make suggestions on before the next meeting. Trustee Grady gave an update of the IML Annual Conference he attended.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Brandy Dalton read the items to be voted on: A. minutes of the September 5 and 19, 2023 regular session board meeting; B. minutes of the September 5 and 19, 2023 executive session board meeting; C. bills/warrants as presented; D. September 29, 2023 payroll; E. budget vs actual report.

Motion by Stuber, second by Haluzak to remove the September 5, 2023 minutes from items A and B and approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda. Roll call: Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Marc Miller has not heard anything back after he sent a letter to Rise Broadband outlining the changes the Board would agree to in the Right of Way Agreement.

The donation of parcels in Linshar Fields is in the hands of the property owners right now to decide what parcels they are wanting to give the Village, and Marc Miller has not heard anything more from the owners.

Ordinance 154.186 will have to be redone with a hearing and Planning and Zoning hearing since it is in the Zoning Ordinance.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Grady discussed changes he would like to see in the nuisance ordinance regarding dumpsters and trash cans. President Murphy told him to rewrite it and get it to Clerk Dalton.

Trustee Grady sent the changes he would like to see in Chapter 130 of the municipal code to Clerk Dalton yesterday. She will prepare the amended ordinance for the next meeting.

Motion by Robbins, second by Stuber to approve Ordinance 2023-O-18, amending the speed limit throughout the Village. Roll call: Grady, nay; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

There was discussing regarding speed signs and the features they would like to see in them. Clerk Dalton had updated the quote we received a couple of years ago. Trustee Grady brought information from a different company for the Board to look at.

Motion by Grady, second by Robbins to approve a TIF grant for Rocket Slots in the amount of \$30,000. Roll call: Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, abstain. Motion passed.

Motion by Stuber, second by Naas to enter into executive session at 7:42pm for the limited purpose of discussing the hiring, performance, compensation and/or employment of one or more Village Employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)). Roll call: Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

The Board returned to regular session at 8:05pm.

Motion by Haluzak, second by Robbins to approve the hiring of one full-time and one part-time police officer pending background checks with a starting pay of \$26.00 per hour. Roll call: Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Trustee Robbins asked about the ordinance regarding solar panels that the Planning and Zoning Board is proposing. Since they are proposing a change to the Zoning Ordinance there would need to be a public hearing of the Planning and Zoning Board and then the Village Board.

Motion by Naas, second by Robbins to adjourn the meeting at 8:08pm. Motion passed via voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brandy Dalton, RMC, MMC  
Village Clerk

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