

**Village of Tolono Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
November 19, 2024**

The Village of Tolono Board of Trustees ("Board") met on November 19, 2024 in the Police Station, located at 205 E. Main St., Tolono, IL. President Rob Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Roll call found the following trustees present Vicki Buffo, Dan Grady, Ann Jack Haluzak, Jacob Naas, Jared Robbins, and Terrence Stuber. Also present was Clerk Brandy Dalton.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gary Mitchell gave his thoughts on a community center and the downtown redevelopment project.

Diane Ducey gave a rundown of the December 14 Christmas Festival.

REPORTS

Public Works – Jared Robbins said that yesterday was the last brush pick up until Spring, but they will still be out with the leaf vac.

Police Department – Seargent McCracken said the public should be aware of porch pirates if they are receiving packages.

Office – Clerk Dalton said that she has been working on prior years executive session minutes that were never done. The auditors plan on being done with the audit by the end of November.

Board Members – Trustee Haluzak said that the Fire Protection District thanks everyone that voted for the referendum.

CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk Dalton read the items to be voted on: A. minutes of the November 5, 2024 regular session board meeting; B. bills/warrants as presented; C. November 8, 2024 payroll; D. budget vs actual report; E. October 2024 bank statements and reconciliations.

Motion by Haluzak, second by Stuber to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Buffo said she tried to reach out to the school district to see if the rumor we heard of them building a Field House is true before we proceed with a community center. Trustee Stuber asked questions about what memberships would look like. Trustee Grady said he would like to see a community center on the north or south Route 45 corridor, but not at the Village lot.

The Board discussed the Downtown Redevelopment contract, what the company does, their references, and the cost. Motion by Grady, second by Robbins to approve the

agreement to provide consulting services with Retail Strategies in the amount of \$95,000. Roll call: Buffo, nay; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Robbins, second by Naas to approve Ordinance 2024-O-8, 2024-2025 Tax Levy. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Robbins, second by Buffo to approve the end of year one-time pay adjustments in the amount of \$150 for part-time employees and \$300 for full-time employees. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stuber, second by Buffo to enter into executive session at 7:20pm for the limited purpose of discussing the hiring, performance, compensation, and/or employment of one or more specific Village employees (5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)). Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

The Board returned to open session at 7:57pm.

Motion by Robbins, second by Buffo to remove Misty Moseley off of probationary period and approve her wage adjustment of \$1/hour retroactive to October 1, 2024. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Robbins, second by Buffo to extend the probationary period of Andy Roth to December 25, 2024. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Naas, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Robbins, second by Grady to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm. Motion passed via voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brandy Dalton, RMC, CMC, MMC
Village Clerk

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