

**Village of Tolono Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
April 1, 2025**

The Village of Tolono Board of Trustees ("Board") met on April 1, 2025 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, Jared Robbins, and Terrence Stuber. Also present was Clerk Brandy Dalton, Public Works Superintendent Todd Heath, and Police Chief Justin Livingston.

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

Public Comments

Jeff Hahn was present to discuss the pricing for 258 Xtreme for Tolono Fun Day. The Board will think about the different options. He said he will also bring the Special Event Permit to the next meeting so he can get the liquor license process going.

Melissa Watson was present to discuss the Birth to 5 Illinois program. More information can be found at www.birthto5il.com.

REPORTS

Engineering – Larry Johnson discussed the annual MFT road maintenance program. It will be put on the next agenda to approve. He also stated that there will be a public information meeting at 6pm April 15 for the MS4 Storm Water Program.

Public Works – Heath said they have been doing storm clean-up. They have a list of trees they are going to work on taking down. He also presented information to the Board regarding trading in the 2023 Ford F250 for a 2025 Chevrolet 2500 Diesel.

Police Department – Livingston said that calls doubled in March, and they wrote 41 warnings and 11 citations. He presented a certificate to McCracken for saving a life. He found out the Verizon bill is for the MDC's. He also said that according to state law you must be 18 to drive the battery powered scooters that the kids are riding around town.

Office – Dalton said that her main focus is getting the budget done.

Board Members – Haluzak thanked McCracken for backing up the Fire Department. Robbins asked for clarification that we will not go into someone's yard and cut up a tree unless it is a Village tree and was told that is correct. He also said that he had sent an email to everyone regarding the pathway lights. Stuber said that he road around with Todd Heath after the storm and thanked him for being proactive. Grady said that he heard that the Fire Department is in need of a vehicle and we should give them the Ford Explorer we have up for bid. He was told they do not need the Explorer

Fun Day Committee – Brian Booher said that he may ask the office to print carnival flyers like they did before.

CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk Dalton read the items to be voted on: A. minutes of the March 18 and 24, 2025 regular session board meeting; B. minutes of the March 18, 2025 executive session board meetings C. bills/warrants as presented; D. March 28, 2025 payroll; E. budget vs actual report; F. February 2025 bank statements and reconciliations; G. hiring Matt Howard as a full-time Public Works laborer as of May 18, 2025 with a starting pay of \$23.75.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Grady, second by Robbins to approve trading in the 2023 Ford F250 for a 2025 Chevrolet 2500 diesel from Baum Chevrolet. Roll call: Buffo, abstain; Grady, aye; Haluzak, no; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Buffo, second by Stuber to approve Ordinance 2025-O-7, approving an intergovernmental agreement with the Tolono Fire Protection District for \$115,000. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, abstain; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Robbins, second by Grady to approve Ordinance 2025-O-8, approving a licensing agreement for the use of a portion of the 100 block of South Watson Street. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Buffo, second by Stuber to approve the Special Event Permits for Lu & Denny's. Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board discussed the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget and Appropriations.

Motion by Stuber, second by Buffo to enter into Executive Session at 9:04pm for the limited purpose of discussing the hiring, performance, compensation and/or employment of one or more specific Village employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)), and acquisition of land (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5)). Roll call: Buffo, aye; Grady, aye; Haluzak, aye; Robbins, aye; Stuber, aye. Motion passed.

The Board returned to regular session at 9:25pm.

Motion by Grady, second by Buffo to adjourn the meeting at 9:26pm. Motion passed via voice vote.

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

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