

VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COUNTY OF COOK  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – MARCH 18, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER**

Acting President Pisarzewski called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

President Pisarzewski reported the meeting was being recorded by Interim Clerk Kitakis, and is being streamed on social media.

**PLEDGE AND INVOCATION**

Acting President Pisarzewski led the pledge to the flag, followed with a moment of silence for our public servants, our military, our sick, and our recently deceased.

Trustee Reynolds asked for it to be acknowledge that the victim of the Wal Mart shooting was a Thornton Resident. Acting President Pisarzewski gave his condolences.

**Roll Call:**

The board members in attendance for the March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 regular board meeting were Acting President Pisarzewski, Trustee Cunningham, Trustee Reynolds, Trustee Glaser, Trustee Atkinson, Public Works Superintendent Roberts, Recreation Director Dunlop, Police Chief Wesolowski, and Fire Chief Schweitzer. Also in attendance was Attorney Dillner, Engineer Kaminsky, and Treasurer Frye.

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025 Committee Meeting Minutes:**

Motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the March 3, 2025 Committee Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Glaser, Atkinson, Cunningham, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes:**

Motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the March 3, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Cunningham, Atkinson, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

**FY25 Line-Item Transfer request:**

Motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve FY25 line-item transfers. Motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Glaser, Atkinson, Cunningham, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

**Vouchers:**

Acting President Pisarzewski asked for a motion to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$298,948.61 for prepaid vouchers, for a total of \$533,563.38, of which \$218,015.57 is from the SOS grant.

Motion was made by Trustee Reynolds. Seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Cunningham, Atkinson, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

**Noise Ordinance:**

Acting President Pisarzewski asked for a motion to table the Noise Ordinance until April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

Motion was made by Trustee Atkinson to table the Noise Ordinance until April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Seconded by Acting President Pisarzewski

Trustee Cunningham requested it not be tabled. Trustee Glaser agreed.

Trustee Atkinson stated she would not pass the ordinance without something in writing. Acting President Pisarzewski said he would not pass it either. Trustee Reynolds stated she would like it to be put to the next board meeting. Acting President Pisarzewski asked that the disturbing the peace order be worked into the noise ordinance. Attorney Dillner explained that changing the time is easy, but there needs to more information for the permits. Trustee Reynolds requested Attorney Dillner have something in writing to them by April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Attorney Dillner agreed that he could have that, but currently the motion is for the noise ordinance to be tabled until April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Acting President Pisarzewski inquired about G & T Trackside if they have live music, and if anyone complains. Trustee Reynolds confirmed they do have live music, and Chief Wesolowski confirmed they have not received any complaints. Acting President Pisarzewski questioned if a resident calls and thinks that the music is

loud, the police come and it is within the decibels, is that resident then in trouble for disorderly conduct? Chief Wesolowski explained the resident would not be in trouble unless they become a nuisance. Acting President Pisarzewski asked what if the resident has a recording of the noise. Chief Wesolowski said that the recording would be no good. The police would need the decibel reader. Acting President Pisarzewski mentioned the disturbing the peace ordinance. Attorney Dillner cited the Village of Thornton Code of Ordinances, 107-5 A1 "Unreasonable making of a loud noise." Attorney Dillner went on to explain that the noise ordinance is all about unreasonably loud. There is too much personal perception because what is unreasonable to someone may not be unreasonable to another. Putting the decibels in place gives a clear cut line of what is too loud. Trustee Atkinson and Trustee Reynolds had a discussion regarding the permit parameters. Attorney Dillner explained it is good to have a policy in place for the permit.

Ayes: Trustee Atkinson, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays: Trustee Cunningham, Glaser, Reynolds

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Failed

Trustee Cunningham made a motion to have the noise ordinance moved to the April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustee Cunningham, Glaser, Reynolds

Nays: Trustee Atkinson, Acting President Pisarzewski

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

#### **Thornton Public Works Capital Purchases Request:**

Motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the Thornton Public Works Capital Purchase. Motion was seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Cunningham, Atkinson, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

Acting President Pisarzewski asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Motion was made by Trustee Atkinson, seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustee Atkinson, Glaser, Reynolds, Cunningham, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

Regular Meeting was back in session at 8:47PM

Interim Clerk Kitakis asked the Board to approve the following dates for Village events: E-cycling Day will be April 12<sup>th</sup>, Village wide garage sale will be May 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, Dump your Junk Day will be May 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Youth night will be April 7<sup>th</sup>. The Board was in agreement for these dates.

#### OLD BUSINESS

No comments.

#### NEW BUSINESS

No comments.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the good and welfare of the Village, Acting President Pisarzewski asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Atkinson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 PM. Motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustee Atkinson, Glaser, Reynolds, Cunningham, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Absent: Trustee Kaye

Motion: Carried

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Joseph Pisarzewski, Acting President

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Nikki Kitakis, Interim Clerk

