

VILLAGE OF THORNTON

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 18, 2025 – 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by President Reynolds at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Kitakis recorded the meeting. The meeting was also broadcast on social media. Attendees were asked to refrain from electronic device use.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence for public servants, military, the sick, and recently departed.

ROLL CALL

Present:

- President Reynolds
- Trustee Cunningham
- Trustee Middlebrooks
- Trustee Kaye
- Trustee Glaser
- Trustee Pratscher
- Trustee Pisarzewski
- Recreation Director Dunlop
- Police Chief Wesolowski
- Fire Chief Schweitzer

Also in attendance attorney Dillner, and Village Administrator Payne

Absent:

- Public Works Superintendent Roberts

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2025

Motion was made by Trustee Pratscher to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2025, as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Pisarzewski.

Ayes: Trustees Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Glaser

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2025

Motion was made by Trustee Kaye to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2025, as written (with time correction noted). The motion was seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Ayes: Trustees Kaye, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Vouchers – August 18, 2025

Total: \$6,765,174.96 (including \$464,301.18 from SOS grant and \$6,258,170.90 prepaid checks).

Motion was made by Trustee Cunningham to approve payment of the vouchers for August 18, 2025. The motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2025-011 – Implementing Public Comment Policy

Motion was made by Trustee Glaser to adopt Ordinance 2025-011. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kaye.

Ayes: Trustees Glaser, Kaye, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

Ordinance 2025-012 – Establishing Certificate of Payment Prior to Transfer of Real Estate

Motion was made by Trustee Cunningham to adopt Ordinance 2025-012. The motion was seconded by Trustee Pratscher.

Ayes: Trustees Cunningham, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Kaye

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

Ordinance 2025-013 – Amending Rules of Order of Business

Motion was made by Trustee Cunningham to adopt Ordinance 2025-013. The motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

Ordinance 2025-014 – Amending Municipal Code (Municipal Grocery Tax)

Motion was made by Trustee Cunningham to adopt Ordinance 2025-014. The motion was seconded by Trustee Pratscher.

Ayes: Trustees Cunningham, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Glaser

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

Resolution 2025-014R – Designating Public Depository & Authorizing Withdrawal of Public Funds

Motion was made by Trustee Cunningham to adopt Resolution 2025-014R. The motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Middlebrooks, Kaye

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT

July Treasurer's Report & Cash Position

Total Cash Position: \$11,326,225.57

Motion was made by Trustee Cunningham to approve the July Treasurer's Report and Cash Position. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kaye.

Ayes: Trustees Cunningham, Kaye, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Middlebrooks

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Trustee Glaser to enter Executive Session for personnel reasons on August 18, 2025, at 7:40 p.m., with action to be taken. The motion was seconded by

Trustee Cunningham.

Ayes: Trustees Glaser, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

Nays: Trustee Kaye

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Board Meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m. Roll was taken and all members previously present remained in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Agenda Items)

- Connie Simon (Lansing resident, Thornton Historical Society Board): Invited the Board to the 50th Anniversary of the Historical Society, Sunday, September 7, 2–4 p.m.
- Robert Enright, 116 N. Wolcott: Addressed citation for “Honey for Sale” sign; requested fair application of sign policies.
- Kim Atkinson: Thanked Fire and Police Departments for professional emergency response.
- Nancy Stonerock, 319 N. Kinzie: Expressed concerns with citation process and Code Enforcement practices.

OLD BUSINESS

- Treasurer Fry working with auditors to finalize audit report.
- Discussion of proposals for Market signage.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Treasurer

Motion was made by Trustee Pratscher to appoint Dominique Simone Jackson as full-time Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kaye.

Ayes: Trustees Pratscher, Kaye, Glaser, Pisarzewski, Middlebrooks, Cunningham

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion: Carried

Clerk Kitakis administered oath of office to Dominique Simone Jackson.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Reynolds thanked the village employees, elected officials, and residents for allowing them to serve. Appreciation was extended to all who attended the meeting. Attendees were reminded to drive safely home in the rain, and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was made by Trustee Pratscher to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: None

Motion: Carried

Meeting was adjourned at 8:14PM

Village President Maxine Reynolds

Village Clerk Nikki Kitakis