

# VILLAGE OF THORNTON

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** February 2, 2026

**Time:** 6:41 p.m.

**Location:** Village Hall, Thornton, Illinois

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Village President Maxine Reynolds called the Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Thornton to order at 6:41 p.m.

The meeting was recorded by Village Clerk Nikki Kitakis and streamed live on the Village of Thornton Facebook page.

All electronic devices were requested to be silenced.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A moment of silence was observed in honor of public servants, the military, the sick, and recently departed community members, especially City of Harvey Mayor Christopher Clark. President Reynolds also acknowledged Robert Gerard.

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### 2. ROLL CALL

**Present:**

President Maxine Reynolds

Trustee Cunningham

Trustee Middlebrooks

Trustee Kaye

Trustee Glaser

Trustee Pratscher

Trustee Pisarzewski

Public Works Superintendent Roberts

Park & Recreation Director Dunlop

Police Chief Wesolowski

Deputy Fire Chief Duvall

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### **3. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 20, 2026**

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Glaser to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2026, as written.

**Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Middlebrooks, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – Trustee Kaye

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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### **4. APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 20, 2026**

A motion was made by Trustee Pratscher and seconded by Trustee Glaser to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2026, as written.

**Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Pratscher, Glaser, Middlebrooks, Cunningham, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – Trustee Kaye

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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### **5. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS – FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

A motion was made by Trustee Kaye and seconded by Trustee Pratscher to approve vouchers for February 2, 2026, totaling \$417,683.32, including:

- \$147,169.89 – SOS Grant
- \$44,640.50 – Prepaid checks

**Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Kaye, Pratscher, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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## **6. RESOLUTION 2026-002R – PETTY CASH POLICY**

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Pratscher to adopt Resolution 2026-002R, approving a Petty Cash Policy related to the Village's purchasing and payment procedures.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Pratscher, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Glaser, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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## **7. ORDINANCE 2026-002 – PLANNING COMMISSION COMPENSATION & MEETING SCHEDULE**

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Glaser to approve Ordinance 2026-002, amending Chapter 3-2 of Title III of the Municipal Code regarding Planning Commission member compensation and meeting schedule.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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## **8. ORDINANCE 2026-003 – FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION COMPENSATION & MEETING SCHEDULE**

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Pratscher to approve Ordinance 2026-003, amending Chapter 3-3 of Title III of the Municipal Code.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Glaser

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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## **9. ORDINANCE 2026-004 – ETHICS COMMISSION COMPENSATION**

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Kaye to approve Ordinance 2026-004, amending Chapter 1-10 of Title I of the Municipal Code related to Ethics Commission member compensation.

**Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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**10. ORDINANCE 2026-005 – WATER BILL DUE DATE EXTENSIONS**

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks to approve Ordinance 2026-005, amending Chapter 6-5 of Title VI of the Municipal Code regarding temporary extensions of water bill due dates and suspension of penalties in limited circumstances.

**Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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**11. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE – GENERATOR TRANSFER SWITCH**

A motion was made by Trustee Kaye and seconded by Trustee Pratscher to approve a quote from Alternative Energy Solutions in the amount of \$15,219.44 for replacement of the automatic transfer switch controller and generator at the Police Department and Recreation Center.

**Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Kaye, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser

NAYS – None

**Motion carried.**

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**12. PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)**

No public comment was offered.

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### 13. OLD BUSINESS

None.

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### 14. NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer Jackson reported receipt of an update from the Cook County Treasurer’s Office regarding Tax Year 2024 property tax distributions, billing timelines, and refunds. It was reported that distributions are ongoing, physical tax bills are anticipated to be mailed on or before March 2, 2026, and refunds are expected to resume within approximately three weeks once system issues are resolved. Refunds will be offset in future distributions.

No action was taken.

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### 15. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by **Trustee Middlebrooks** and seconded by **Trustee Pratscher** to adjourn.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

AYES – Trustees Middlebrooks, Pratscher, Pisarzewski, Cunningham, Kaye, Glaser

NAYS – None

#### **Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned. at 6:53PM

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**Maxine Reynolds**  
Village President

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**Nikki Kitakis**  
Village Clerk