

VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COUNTY OF COOK
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING – OCTOBER 7, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Pisarzewski called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Acting President Pisarzewski reported the meeting was being recorded by Acting Clerk Kitakis, and also recorded on social media.

ROLL CALL

Skipped

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lois Wise, of 63 Indianwood commented on the 2 street lights out on her block.

Artis Moore 805 Highland he would like to purchase vacant lot on 30 Indianwood Dr. He would like to build a new home for himself on that lot.

Kathleen Andersen Reingold: Made several comments.

Ryan Raclaw 813 Sunnyside praised acting clerk Kitakis, and suggested posting job roles for the village employees. It would be helpful to the residents.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Thornton Fire Department – Trustee Cunningham reminded everyone about the parade of lights that will take place tomorrow October 8, 2024.

Finance – Trustee Reynolds asked about the payment from Menards for the closing on brown derby road.

Trustee Reynolds asked if the distillery paid their taxes? Admin. Wiak informed board he did not pay the taxes.

Trustee Reynolds requested a petty cash log be made, and is it balanced every day?

Advised two people should be signing off when petty cash is used.

Trustee Reynolds questioned a traffic light maintenance bill, Public Works superintendent Roberts informed the board the village owns that traffic light at Chicago Road and Indianwood.

Trustee Reynolds asked what happened to the computers, Admin Wiak informed board they are in the server room.

Trustee Reynolds asked for Trustees Atkinson about a tax bill we paid, and questioned Mad Bomber payment and ensured that it is in fact for current year, and it was confirmed it is for the current year.

Thornton Rec Department – Trustee Kaye nothing to report.

Thornton Police Department – Trustee Glaser Saturday October 12, 2024, town wide garage sales 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Engineer Kaminsky – Nothing to report

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Special Use 563 N. Williams – Special use for auto repair shot.

IMRF – Resolution to appoint Acting Clerk Kitakis.

Raffle Ordinance – Took trustee concerns into consideration. Looked at several ordinances from surrounding towns, and compiled a raffle ordinance for the village. \$100 for queen of hearts raffle, and \$25 for all other raffles. Trustee Reynolds and Trustee Atkinson questioned can we put a line item opposed to whole different set of books for the accounting purposes of raffles. Attorney Dillner confirmed it cannot be a line item it would need to be a different set of records all together for the raffles.

Lease For Thornton Library – Attorney Dillner made some changes to the previous lease and clarifications. Trustees discussed a key being held at the Village Hall.

Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution – County wide study of hazards Trustee Reynolds questioned why so many boxes are marked N/A. Attorney Dillner informed board that Admin. Beckman worked on this mostly, so there is not a clear reason as to why that is. Admin. Wiak said she will ask the emergency cook county contact if all the N/A's will affect the Village.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Trick Or Treating Hours – October 31, 2024, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Village hall will be open to the public as a stop. Admin Wiak will be passing out pencils while supplies last.

Village Wide Yard Sale – Saturday October 12, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

E-Cycling / Shredding Event – Saturday from November 2, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

July 15, 2024, Storm Update And Payment Discussion – Insurance company questioned why we are going with Lansing Heating & Air opposed to one of the lower bids. Admin Wiak informed them we have long standing relationship with Lansing Heating & Air and

they were willing to work with us and let us lock in the prices, and store the units until install. The new rec center / police station roof will be considered an upgrade according to insurance. Trustee Reynolds asked to look into financing from Lansing Heating & Air.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Cunningham – Questioned AMEX receipt as to why it is said printer broken. Informed the board the printed at crispy Kreme was broken so we will not be able to provide a receipt for that.

Asked about back re-entry Acting Clerk Kitakis informed board that nearly all the back logged information is inputted. Only November and December left to do. Estimated time for completion is this week so treasure Frye is able to start working on the reports for the October 21, 2024, meeting.

Trustee Reynolds requested a camera be placed in the blind spot in the clerk's office behind the desks by the vault.

Brought up the library joining our insurance plan again. Admin Wiak informed the board that Admin Wiak and Treasure Frye met with the library during the summer and discussed the Village taking over the books. Admin Wiak has not heard back from the library regarding their decision.

Question if the village is receiving payment from the historical society. Acting Clerk Kitakis informed her we in fact are we receive it every month.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the good and welfare of the Village, a motion was made by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to adjourn the Committee meeting. All in favor.

Trustee Atkinson absent

Motion carried.

Acting President Pisarzewski adjourned the Committee meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Nikki Kitakis, Acting Clerk