

Village of Thornton

Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 2, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

President Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and requested Clerk Kitakis to take the roll.

- President Reynolds – Here
- Trustee Cunningham – Here
- Trustee Middlebrooks – Here
- Trustee Kaye – Absent
- Trustee Glaser – Here
- Trustee Pratscher – Here
- Trustee Pisarzewski – Absent
- Public Works Superintendent Roberts – Here
- Recreation Director Dunlop – Here
- Police Chief Wazowski – Here
- Captain Maureen Schweitzer – Here

2. Public Comment

President Reynolds invited public comment on agenda items. No comments were made.

3. Committee Reports

- Trustee Pisarzewski – Absent
- Trustee Cunningham – No report
- Trustee Middlebrooks – No report
- Trustee Kaye – Absent
- Trustee Glaser – No report
- Trustee Pratscher – No report

4. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Jackson

Treasurer Jackson reviewed the memo regarding TIF Administrator designation. Currently, the Village President serves as TIF Administrator. Recommendation: transfer role to Treasurer for efficiency and direct communication with the State. No objections; board acknowledged change.

5. Department Reports

Engineer Kaminsky – No report

Attorney Dillner – No report

Administrator Payne – Four items presented:

- Purchase of 25 laptops – sourced through CDS Office Technologies (Sourcewell contract); no bid required.
- Purchase of five new vehicles – three quotes received; lowest bids accepted. Four trade-ins included.
- Budget Line Item Transfer – \$200,000 for the five vehicles. Item to be moved up on agenda for vote.
- Resolution – Fifth Third Bank Signatories: Adding Clerk Nikki Kitakis and President Reynolds; removing former Mayor and former acting President Pisarzewski. Account is transitioning to Wintrust; Fifth Third will be closed.

6. President's Report – President Reynolds

President Reynolds thanked all who assisted during the incident on Wednesday, August 27, 2025. Commended staff for professionalism and dedication.

Announced Open Lands Tree Planting Grant – Village awarded approximately 40 trees. Planting scheduled for Saturday, September 6, 9:00 AM–1:00 PM at Hubbard Park. Volunteers needed.

7. Announcements

- Wolcott School
 - PTA Meeting: Thursday, Sept. 4 at 6:00 PM
 - Grandparents Day: Monday, Sept. 8 at 7:30 AM
 - School Board Meeting: Sept. 8 at 7:00 PM
 - Early Dismissal: Sept. 10 at 1:00 PM
 - Picture Day: Sept. 11
- Community Events
 - Taste of Thornton Township: Saturday, Sept. 6 at South Suburban College, 12:00–5:00 PM
 - Historical Society 50th Anniversary: Sunday, Sept. 7, 2:00–4:00 PM
 - Senior Bingo & Yoga: Sept. 10 at Community Center, 3:00 PM
 - Rec Center T-Shirts: \$12 each
 - Library Adult Paint Night: Friday, Sept. 12, 7:00 PM at the Legion
 - Coffee with the Mayor: Saturday, Sept. 13, 9:00–10:00 AM, followed by Nicor Gas presentation at 10:00 AM
 - Free Blood Pressure Checks: Fire Department, Sundays, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

- Village Hall Saturday Hours: Sept. 6 & 20, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
- Other Notices
 - Garbage pickup delayed to Saturday, Sept. 6.
 - Fire and Police joint training continuing at Overdoors site.
 - Volunteers sought for Chickens Committee, Holiday Committee, and Garden Committee. Interested residents should leave contact information at Village Hall.

8. Old Business

None.

9. New Business

None.

10. Adjournment

Motion to move from Committee of the Whole back into Regular Meeting made by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Glaser. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting recessed briefly for a bathroom break (four minutes). Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Village Clerk Nikki Kitakis