

VILLAGE OF THORNTON

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 – 8:28 P.M.

President Reynolds called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 8:28 p.m. The meeting was recorded by Clerk Kitakis and on social media. Attendees were asked to refrain from using electronic devices. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence for public servants, military, the sick, and the recently departed—especially former Governor Jim Edgar.

ROLL CALL

President Reynolds – Present

Trustee Cunningham – Present

Trustee Middlebrooks – Present

Trustee Kaye – Present

Trustee Glaser – Present

Trustee Pratscher – Present

Trustee Piszewski – Present

Public Works Superintendent Roberts – Present

Recreation Director Dunlop – Present

Police Chief Wesolowski – Present

Fire Chief Schweitzer – Present

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, to approve the September 2, 2025 Committee Meeting Minutes as presented.

AYES – Trustees Pratscher, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser

ABSTAIN – Trustees Kaye, Piszewski

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to approve the September 2, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

AYES – Trustees Pratscher, Glaser, Cunningham, Middlebrooks

ABSTAIN – Trustees Kaye, Piszewski

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

LINE ITEM TRANSFER

Motion by Trustee Glaser, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve a budget line item transfer from account 05-73-8006 (Contingency) to account 05-67-804 (Theft Task Force Expenses) in the amount of \$8,608.98.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to approve payment of vouchers for September 15, 2025, in the amount of \$541,464.05.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

PURCHASE OF 2025 GMC SIERRA

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Pratscher, to authorize the purchase of a 2025 GMC Sierra from Heller GMC in the amount of \$51,929.70 for ISAT.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

CYBERSECURITY EVALUATION CONTRACT

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the proposal from Proxit, Inc. for an IT evaluation and analysis in the amount of \$5,000, to be paid from the contingency fund.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-015R – SURPLUS VEHICLES

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to approve Resolution 2025-015R declaring three Thornton Police Department vehicles as surplus and authorizing their disposal.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF 2025 QUARRY BLAST EVENT

Motion by Trustee Middlebrooks, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the 2025 Quarry Blast Event and road closures.

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

NAYS – None
MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE 2025-015 – FIRE ALARM REQUIREMENTS

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to adopt Ordinance 2025-015 amending Title VII, Chapter 1, Article A, Subsection 4C of the Village Code regarding fire alarm requirements.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

REPLACEMENT OF ELECTRONIC MESSAGE CENTER

Motion by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Pratscher, to approve the proposal from Roeda Signs in the amount of \$30,775 for the replacement of the Village Hall electronic message center.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the August 2025 Treasurer's Report as presented during the Committee Meeting.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT / OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held regarding the abandoned gas station property. Administrator Payne reported demolition is scheduled for November 2025 at no cost to the Village through grant funding. Tank removal will occur either prior to or shortly after demolition.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to litigation per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), with no action to be taken following the session.

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

NAYS – Trustee Kaye

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting entered Executive Session at 8:43 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

President Reynolds thanked Village employees, elected officials, and residents for attending and for their service.

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting.

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

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

President Maxine Reynolds

Clerk Nikki Kitakis