

VILLAGE OF THORNTON

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 20, 2026

The Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Thornton was called to order by Village President Maxine Reynolds on **July 20, 2026, at 6:23 p.m.** in the Council Chambers of Village Hall.

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

President Reynolds led those in attendance in the **Pledge of Allegiance**, followed by a **Moment of Silence** honoring public servants, members of the military, the sick, and those recently departed.

Roll Call

Present

- President Maxine Reynolds
- Trustee Cunningham
- Trustee Middlebrooks
- Trustee Glaser
- Trustee Pratscher
- Trustee Piszewski
- Public Works Superintendent Bryan Roberts
- Park & Recreation Director Sharlee Dunlop
- Police Chief Wesolowski
- Fire Chief Schweitzer

Absent

- Trustee Kaye
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Approval of Minutes

Committee Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2026

Trustee Pratscher moved to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes of **June 15, 2026**, as written.

Seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Glaser	Abstained
Pisarczyewski	Yes

Motion carried.

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2026

Trustee Pratscher moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of **June 15, 2026**, as written.

Seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Glaser	Abstained
Pisarczyewski	Yes

Motion carried.

Public Hearing Minutes – June 29, 2026

Trustee Cunningham moved to approve the Public Hearing Minutes of **June 29, 2026**, as written.

Seconded by Trustee Pratscher.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Cunningham	Yes
Pratscher	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Glaser	Yes

Trustee	Vote
Pisarczyński	Yes

Motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes – January 20, 2026

Trustee Pratscher moved to approve the Executive Session Minutes of **January 20, 2026**, as written.

Seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Glaser	Yes
Pisarczyński	Yes

Motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes – June 15, 2026

Trustee Cunningham moved to approve the Executive Session Minutes of **June 15, 2026**, as written.

Seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Glaser	Yes
Pratscher	Yes
Pisarczyński	Yes

Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers

July 6, 2026 Vouchers

Trustee Pratscher moved to approve the vouchers dated **July 6, 2026**, in the amount of **\$744,605.82**, including:

- **\$517,773.62** from Secretary of State (SOS) Grant funds
- **\$63,176.00** in prepaid checks

Seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Glaser	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Pisarzewski	Yes

Motion carried.

July 20, 2026 Vouchers

Trustee Cunningham moved to approve the vouchers dated **July 20, 2026**, in the amount of **\$352,508.00**, including:

- **\$131,311.66** from Secretary of State (SOS) Grant funds
- No prepaid checks

Seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Cunningham	Yes
Glaser	Yes
Pratscher	Yes
Pisarzewski	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent

Motion carried.

Ordinances

Ordinance No. 2026-021

An Ordinance Making Appropriations for the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2026, and Ending April 30, 2027

Trustee Cunningham moved to adopt **Ordinance No. 2026-021**.

Seconded by Trustee Pratscher.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Cunningham	Yes
Pratscher	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Glaser	Yes
Pisarzewski	No

Motion carried.

New Business

Purchase of Four Vehicles – Illinois Statewide Auto Theft Task Force (ISAT)

Trustee Glaser moved to approve the purchase of **four vehicles** from **Ziegler Ford** in the amount of **\$162,337.14**, utilizing Secretary of State grant funds for the Illinois Statewide Auto Theft Task Force (ISAT).

Seconded by Trustee Cunningham.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Glaser	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Pratscher	Yes
Pisarzewski	Yes

Motion carried.

Purchase of G2 Voice Alert System – Fire Station No. 2

Trustee Pratscher moved to approve the purchase of the **G2 Voice Alert System** for **Fire Station No. 2**.

Seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Glaser	Yes
Pisarzewski	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent

Motion carried.

Public Comment

President Reynolds opened the floor for public comment on items not appearing on the agenda.

No public comments were offered.

Executive Session

Trustee Pratscher moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to:

- **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)** – Pending Litigation
- **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)** – Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the Public Body

Seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Glaser	Yes

Trustee	Vote
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Pisarczyewski	Yes

Motion carried.

The Regular Board Meeting was **temporarily recessed into Executive Session**. Department heads were excused, if they wished, and the Board indicated the Regular Board Meeting would reconvene following Executive Session.

This follows the exact style we've established for your official minute book. Once you send me the transcript for the portion **after Executive Session**, I'll merge it seamlessly so it reads as one continuous set of minutes from call to order through final adjournment.

Perfect! This cleanly finishes the meeting. Here's how I would format the **reconvened portion** and ending of the minutes.

Reconvene Regular Board Meeting

The Regular Board Meeting reconvened from Executive Session at **6:59 p.m.** on **July 20, 2026**.

Roll Call

Present

- President Maxine Reynolds
- Trustee Cunningham
- Trustee Middlebrooks
- Trustee Glaser
- Trustee Pratscher
- Trustee Pisarczyewski

Absent

- Trustee Kaye
-

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

President's Comments

President Reynolds thanked the Village employees, elected officials, and residents for their continued support and for allowing the Board to serve the community. She also thanked everyone who attended the meeting and remained through its conclusion.

Adjournment

Trustee Pratscher made a motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting.

Seconded by Trustee Glaser.

Roll Call Vote

Trustee	Vote
Pratscher	Yes
Glaser	Yes
Cunningham	Yes
Middlebrooks	Yes
Kaye	Absent
Pisarzewski	Yes

Motion carried.

The Regular Board Meeting adjourned at approximately **7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nikki L. Kitakis
Village Clerk

Maxine Reynolds
Village President

