

**Minutes  
Special Council Meeting  
1 South Main Street  
Thornville, OH  
June 5, 2023**

**Council Members:**

Kim Billman  
Erica O'Neill  
Lynne Snider  
Sterling Krout  
Tasia Savage

**Other Village Officials:**

Gina Kaetzl- Mayor  
Traci Sturgill- Village Administrator  
Dan Williams- Chief of Police  
Kelly Beem- Fiscal Officer

**Guests Present:** None

**Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Kaetzl called the Village of Thornville Special Council Meeting to order on June 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. by saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

Roll Call was taken with Council member Lynne Snider, Council member Erica O'Neill, Council President Sterling Krout, Council member Kim Billman and Council member Tasia Savage all present. Council member Ashley Moore was absent due to being out of town on vacation.

Mayor Kaetzl asked for a **motion** to excuse Council member Ashley Moore. **Motion** made by Council member Erica O'Neill and was seconded by Council President Sterling Krout. A roll call vote was taken with all Council members voting aye.

**Roll Call**

Lynne Snider- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Sterling Krout- aye  
Kim Billman- aye  
Erica O'Neill- aye  
**Motion passed 5-0**

**Motion to amend the business agenda for the Special Council Meeting on June 5, 2023, for the addition of an executive session.**

Mayor Kaetzl requested a **motion** to amend tonight's business agenda for the addition of an executive session. **Motion** made by Council President Sterling Krout and seconded by Council member Erica O'Neill. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

**Roll Call**

Erica O'Neill- aye  
Sterling Krout- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Kim Billman- aye  
Lynne Snider- aye  
**Motion passed 5-0**

**Motion to approve the amended Business Agenda for the Special Council Meeting on June 5, 2023:**

Mayor Kaetzl requested a **motion** to approve the amended business agenda for the Special Council Meeting on June 5, 2023. A **motion** was made by Council President

Sterling Krout and was seconded by Council member Erica O'Neill. A roll call vote was taken with all Council members voting aye.

#### Roll Call

Kim Billman- aye  
Lynn Snider- aye  
Sterling Krout- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Erica O'Neill- aye  
**Motion passed 5-0**

#### Administrator's Report:

Village Administrator Traci Sturgill advised the council the bills are on the table for review. We had a couple of bills come this week that need to be paid. One is an invoice for the water wellhead project.

Mayor Kaetzl stated if there are no questions on the bills, she will need a **motion** to pay the bills currently due. **Motion** made by Council member Kim Billman and was seconded by Council member Erica O'Neill. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

#### Roll Call:

Sterling Krout- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Kim Billman- aye  
Lynne Snider- aye  
Erica O'Neill- aye  
**Motion passed 5-0**

Village Administrator Traci Sturgill also updated the council on the trash refuse bid process. The legal notice is scheduled for 2 weeks in the Newark Advocate (June 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>) Pre-bid meeting July 18<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm. Bid submittal deadline August 1<sup>st</sup> @ 12pm, Opening of the bids August 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 2pm. The submitted bids will then be on the August 28<sup>th</sup> council meeting agenda for council's review and vote.

#### Unfinished Business:

**Swimming Pool:** Village Administrator Traci Sturgill asked council if they would like her to start cleaning out the concession stand, listing items on govdeals etc. These items are freezers, beverage refrigerator, hot dog machine, handicap ramp & chair, guard chairs, cash registers, buoys, robot sweeper, microwave, and many misc. items in the attic. Council member Lynne Snider feels we should give the Somerset Pool first pick at purchasing anything they may need that we have then the remainder can go on govdeals. The council gave Traci permission to move forward with this. Lynne feels there is no reason to let it sit there. Fencing around the pool will remain up. It was decided to not demo the pool until we are positive the splashpad is going in. The filtration system will also remain, as is, until a later date.

#### Executive Session:

I, Mayor Kaetzl, need a **motion** to adjourn into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G) (1) to consider the employment of a public employee at 7:12 p.m.

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**Motion** made by Council President Sterling Krout and seconded by Council member Erica O'Neill. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

**Roll Call:**

Lynne Snider- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Sterling Krout- aye  
Kim Billman- aye  
Erica O'Neill- aye

**Motion passed 5-0**

Mayor Kaetzel asked for a **motion** to invite Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem into the executive session. **Motion** made by Council member Kim Billman and seconded by Council President Sterling Krout. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

**Roll Call:**

Sterling Krout- aye  
Kim Billman- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Lynne Snider- aye  
Erica O'Neill- aye

**Motion passed 5-0**

I, Mayor Kaetzel, need a **motion** to adjourn out of executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G) (1) to consider the employment of a public employee at 7:23 p.m.

**Motion** made by Council member Kim Billman and seconded by Council member Erica O'Neill. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

**Roll Call:**

Lynne Snider- aye  
Kim Billman- aye  
Erica O'Neill- aye  
Tasia Savage- aye  
Sterling Krout- aye

**Motion passed 5-0**

**Playground Dedication:**

Mayor Kaetzel wanted to remind council members of the playground dedication scheduled for Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm and a rain date of Friday June 16<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. The Lions Club donated 200 hot dogs and chips. Kona Ice will be there. The Village provides buns, condiments and goodie bags. Tasia will bring tattoos since a face-painter is unavailable. We will open the concession stand if it is not already rented out. We will also be doing a ribbon cutting. Try to arrive around 1:30 pm to set it up. Council member Tasia Savage asked if we could fill in a hole up by the parking lot fence.

**New Business: None**

**Comments and Announcements:**

Council member Erica O'Neill stated she has had a couple of people ask if we could think about putting pickleball courts in the area where the pool is, once it is filled in. It would need to be paved.

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Erica added many older residents in the Village currently drive to Newark to play. Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem advised she is putting 2 pickleball courts in at Somerset Park where the former tennis courts are.

We can keep that in mind for the future. Mayor Kaetzel added that the Village of Buckeye Lake is also adding them. Council President Sterling Krout suggested making the basketball courts multi-use, if possible. Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem added the dimensions needed for the court are 44'x20' wide.

**Citizen Comments:** Mayor Kaetzel added that she has noticed how many kids are utilizing the new playground. It is full every evening and all day. Great job!

**Adjournment:** Mayor Kaetzel asked for a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. **Motion** made by Council President Sterling Krout and was seconded by Council member Kim Billman. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

**Roll Call:**

- Tasia Savage- aye
- Lynne Snider-aye
- Sterling Krout- aye
- Kim Billman- aye
- Erica O'Neill- aye

**Motion passed 5-0**

Adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Mayor Gina Kaetzel



Traci Sturgill, Council Clerk

