

**Village of Thornville Council Minutes
1 South Main Street
Thornville, Ohio
July 6th, 2026**

Council Members:

Tasia Savage
Dale Brussee
Craig Cooperrider
Aaron Hoppel
Mackenzie Brune
Lynne Snider

Other Village Officials:

Amanda Lackey – Mayor
Eric Wilkins- Village Administrator
Kelly Beam - Fiscal Officer
Cody Palmer- Chief of Police

Guests: Jordan Wilson, Mark Wolcott

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Amanda Lackey called the Village of Thornville Council Meeting to order at 7:00pm by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken with Council Member Tasia Savage, Council President Dale Brussee, Council Member Craig Cooperrider, Council Member Mackenzie Brune, Council Member Lynne Snider and Council Member Aaron Hoppel all present.

Excused Absences: None

Amendment of Regular Council Agenda for July 6, 2026

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to amend the Regular Council Agenda for July 6, 2026. Council Member Aaron Hoppel made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Craig Cooperrider. A Roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Aaron Hoppel - Aye
Tasia Savage – Aye
Lynne Snider - Aye
Dale Brussee – Aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Review /Acceptance of Regular Council Minutes for June 15, 2026:

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to approve the Regular Council Minutes from June 15, 2026 after review. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Craig Cooperrider. A roll call vote was taken, with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Craig Cooperrider – aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Dale Brussee – aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Tasia Savage – aye
Aaron Hoppel – aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Public Hearings:

- a. **ORDINANCE 26-07: AN ORDINANCE REVOKING PERMISSION TO DISPOSE OF YARD WASTE ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE**
Second Reading

The public hearing opened at 7:05pm. With no discussion from the public, the hearing closed at 7:06pm.

b. ORDINANCE 26-09: AN ORDINANCE CREATING, ESTABLISHING, AND ADOPTING THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE CYBERSECURITY POLICY
Second Reading

The Public Hearing opened at 7:06pm. With no discussion from the public, the hearing closed at 7:07pm.

Unfinished Business:

a. ORDINANCE 26-07: AN ORDINANCE REVOKING PERMISSION TO DISPOSE OF YARD WASTE ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE
Second Reading

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to suspend the 3-reading rule and declare Ordinance 26-07 an emergency. Council Member Craig Cooperrider made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Aaron Hoppel. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Craig Cooperrider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Tasia Savage - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 26-07 and pass as an emergency. Council Member Aaron Hoppel made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Craig Cooperrider. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Tasia Savage - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

b. ORDINANCE 26-09: AN ORDINANCE CREATING, ESTABLISHING, AND ADOPTING THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE CYBERSECURITY POLICY
Second Reading

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to suspend the 3-reading rule and declare Ordinance 26-09 an emergency. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Aaron Hoppel. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Aaron Hoppel - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Tasia Savage - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 26-09 and pass as an emergency. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Aaron Hoppel. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Craig Cooperrider - aye
Tasia Savage - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye

Motion Passed 6-0**c. Capital Improvement Discussion**

The council discussed several items for Capital improvement such as paving of village streets and alleys, remodel and upgrade of the old “pool” bathrooms and possible addition of snack vending machine(s)

d. Flagpole Replacement

The American Legion agreed to donate \$3000.00 to the village for flagpole replacement at the park. The council discussed the logistics of taking the old pole down as well as logistics, cost and potential companies to aid in the erection of the new flagpole.

e. E-Bike Discussion

E-Bikes are becoming an issue in the village. It was noted that the Village of New Lexington has had similar issues concerning E-Bikes and has discussed requiring certain ages of children to have adult supervision while riding and they require helmets to be worn. Chief Palmer presented an example of the Micromobility policy that the City of Dublin has implemented. He also informed the council that he is working with the solicitor to create a policy for the village. Potential consequences were discussed such as: warnings and confiscation of bikes. Village resident Jordan Wilson stated that there needs to be a clear definition as to what classifies it as an E-Bike as he was new to the village and purchased one for his son without realizing there were different classes of E-Bikes. His father in law Mark Walcott agreed and gave examples of how the bikes differ yet all are called E-Bikes. Chief Palmer presented a sample brochure that he is working on that will help to educate Parents and Guardians.

New Business:**a. Resignation of a Village Employee**

Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem has submitted her resignation but has agreed to stay on until the end of the year or until a suitable replacement is hired. Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to accept the resignation. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council member Aaron Hoppel. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Tasia Savage - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye

Motion Passed 6-0**b. RESOLUTION 26-09: A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF BRIANNA N. MILLER AS PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY****First reading**

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to suspend the 3-reading rule and declare RESOLUTION 26-09 an emergency. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council member Lynne Snider. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Aaron Hoppel - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Dale Brussee -aye
Tasia Savage - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to adopt RESOLUTION 26-09 and pass as an emergency. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Mackenzie Brune. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Tasia Savage - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

1. Swearing in of Brianna N. Miller

Mayor Lackey administered the Oath of Office to Officer Brianna N. Miller. Council welcomed Officer Miller to the Thornville Police Department.

c. ORDINANCE 26-10: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING SPECIFIC LINE-ITEMS IN THE APPROPRIATIONS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE FOR THE 2026 CALENDAR YEAR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
First Reading

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to suspend the 3-reading rule and declare ORDINANCE 26-10 an emergency. Council Member Craig Cooperrider made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Mackenzie Brune. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Mackenzie Brune - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Tasia Savage - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Lynne Snider - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to adopt ORDINANCE 26-10 and pass as an emergency. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council member Aaron Hoppel. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Lynne Snider - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Tasia Savage - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

d. Committee Meeting Schedule

Council member Aaron Hoppel expressed his desire for a more structured committee meeting schedule. He suggested that two committees meet at the first council meeting of the month and

the other committees meet at the second council meeting of the month. The Mayor stated that it is set up that all committees meet at the first council meeting of the month but in theory a meeting can be called at any time providing the fiscal officer, clerk, etc. will have time to prepare. The clerk also noted that she is required to complete all of her work in 40 hours and any time spent outside of office hours requires her to flex her time and leave early later in the pay period which keeps her perpetually behind on her work. Council discussed the fact that not all of the committees require a monthly meeting. It was decided that committees will have the ability to meet at the first council meeting of the month beginning at 6:00pm. If any of the committees do not need to meet, they will not be required to do so.

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to approve the Temporary Appropriations so that they may be sent to the budget commission. Council President Dale Brussee made the motion and was seconded by Council member Craig Cooperrider. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Lynne Snider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Tasia Savage - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Comments and Announcements:

Mayor Lackey expressed her gratitude to the Thornville Activity Committee for a great event on the 4th of July.

Mayor Lackey announced that Village Administrator Eric Wilkins had also submitted his resignation and stated that he would be staying on through October to aid in the transition of a new Administrator. She thanked him for his service to the village. She asked for a motion to accept his resignation. Council Member Aaron Hoppel made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Mackenzie Brune. A Roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Tasia Savage - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Mayor Lackey asked council if they would like to keep this position part-time or make it a full time position. Administrator Wilkins stated that this is more of a full time position as he received calls regarding issues in the village after hours and was required to keep his phone on him at all times. Council Member Craig Cooperrider said that it would be easier to find a replacement if the position was full time. Council President Brussee stated that there are things coming up with the plant and other things that require a representative for the village to be available. Mayor Lackey asked Administrator Wilkins if he would be resigning as Zoning Inspector also and he stated that he would be willing to stay on as zoning inspector. Mayor Lackey stated that she would get the open positions posted by the end of the week. Council President Brussee asked if the Finance Committee would have to review the pay scale and asked what the new administrator in Somerset was making. Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem stated that he was hired at \$72,500.00. The council then discussed experience needed for this position. Council President Brussee asked that this be put on the agenda for the next meeting as well as the salary and whether the fiscal officer position will be full time or part time.

Mayor Lackey brought up the issue with a property that was brought to the administration's attention. This property appears to have a fenced-in yard full of garbage and has been reported to the health department as a public issue. After speaking with the solicitor, Mayor Lackey informed the council that the village can adopt its own code enforcement that can be better than the property maintenance code as that was not adopted by council. The council can tailor it, how they want, with what the council

wishes to enforce. Charges can eventually be filed for failure to comply with this code and the zoning administrator would oversee it. The Solicitor will provide a sample of a zoning ordinance used in another town for the council's review.

Mayor Lackey reminded council members that they can meet on 7/12/26 prior to the special meeting if they would like to view the pool restrooms to assess what might need to be done to improve them.

Council Member Cooperrider brought up the issue of solicitation in the village. He stated that people have shown up at his home twice. He asked that we speak to the Village Solicitor to see what our options are to limit or at least have information on whoever is soliciting in the village.

Council Member Tasia Savage informed the council that she was working on a Thornville History Project and attempting to gather information, photos, advertisements, documents, etc. She asked if folks could come by the office and have copies made of the items they wish to donate as well as complete a form so that credit can be given for the donation.

Chief Palmer informed council that he had found a cruiser that he wished to purchase and went over the details and price of \$23,000.00. He discussed that the extra cruiser we have now is not outfitted properly and a new officer working part time will need a vehicle to drive. Council President Brussee made the motion to purchase a new cruiser and was seconded by Council Member Mackenzie Brune. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Dale Brussee - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Tasia Savage - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Council President Dale Brussee then made a motion to sell the secondary cruiser once the new police cruiser had been purchased and was seconded by Council Member Craig Cooperrider. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Mackenzie Brune - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Tasia Savage - aye
Aaron Hoppel - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Dale Brussee - aye

Motion Passed 6-0

Administrator Wilkins confirmed that we are good to move forward with the closing of the Voorhies Property closing.

Adjournment:

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm. Council Member Craig Cooperrider made the motion and was seconded by Council Member Aaron Hoppel. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Aaron Hoppel - aye
Lynne Snider - aye
Mackenzie Brune - aye
Craig Cooperrider - aye
Dale Brussee - aye
Tasia Savage - aye

Motion Passed 6-0



Amanda Lackey, Mayor



Tonya Thurston, Clerk of Council