

ORDINANCE: 24-04

ADOPTED ON: May 28, 2024

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA BROFFORD AS VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, WAIVING HER RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MELISSA BROFFORD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Thornville previously abolished the Board of Public Affairs and established the position of Village Administrator in accordance with R.C. 735.271; and

WHEREAS, Village Administrator Traci Crane's (f.k.a. Traci Sturgill) employment with the Village of Thornville ended last month; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Thornville has been looking for a new Village Administrator since this vacancy was created; and

WHEREAS, as required by R.C. 735.271, Mayor Lackey appointed Melissa Brofford as Village Administrator. Ms. Brofford accepted this appointment on May 8, 2024, subject to Council's approval; and

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Thornville now wants to: (1) officially approve the Mayor's appointment of Meliss Brofford; (2) waive the residency requirement set forth in R.C. 735.271; and (3) authorize the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to execute an agreement with Melissa Brofford so that her employment can begin on May 29, 2024.

NOW, **THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Village of Thornville, County of Perry, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: Council for the Village of Thornville hereby approves the Mayor's appointment of Melissa Brofford as Village Administrator.

SECTION 2: Council for the Village of Thornville hereby waives the residency requirement set forth in R.C. 735.271, and therefore approves Melissa Brofford's residence outside the Village of Thornville.


SECTION 3: The Mayor and Fiscal Officer are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement, in substantially the same form and content as the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, with Melissa Brofford for the performance of the duties of Village Administrator of the Village of Thornville.

SECTION 4: All prior legislation, or any parts thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Ordinance is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereof.

SECTION 5: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 6: Council declares this to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of this municipality and the further reason that the Village needs to approve the Mayor's appointment of a Village Administrator as soon as possible. The Village cannot be without an administrator. Wherefore, provided this Ordinance receives the required affirmative votes of Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon passage by Council.

Passed in Council this 28 day of May, 2024.



Amanda Lackey, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Approved as to form this 10th day of May 2024:


Brian M. Zets, Esq.
Village Solicitor