ORDINANCE NO: 25-12

ADOPTED ON: May 27, 2025

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW COMPENSATION AND PAY SCHEDULE WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE, REPEALING ALL PRIOR SALARY ORDINANCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, with Ordinance 17-14, Council for the Village of Thornville established a compensation and pay schedule for certain positions within the Village of Thornville; and

WHEREAS, since then, Council for the Village of Thornville has adjusted and/or increased the rate of pay for several positions within the Village (see Ordinance 19-04, Ordinance 19-15, Ordinance 20-02, Ordinance 20-11, Ordinance 20-13, Ordinance 21-01, Ordinance 21-06, Ordinance 21-11, Ordinance 22-07, Ordinance 22-14, Ordinance 22-16, Ordinance 23-06, Ordinance 24-05, Ordinance 24-08, Ordinance 24-14, Ordinance 24-16, Ordinance 24-18, Ordinance 25-01, and Ordinance 25-08). Many of these changes were simply to adjust for the "cost of living"; and

WHEREAS, rather than create piecemeal legislation, Council for the Village of Thornville always creates a new pay schedule that is adopted into a single pay ordinance, regardless of how many or how few pay rates are being adjusted; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Brofford recently expressed a desire to transition out of her current full-time role due to accepting additional professional responsibilities elsewhere, but does not want to abruptly resign and has indicated a willingness to continue serving the Village in a reduced capacity to support continuity and assist during the leadership transition; and

WHEREAS, the Village also hired a general maintenance laborer; and

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Thornville needs to change the village administrator's pay rate from yearly to hourly, to accommodate this shift in hours and work schedule. Council also wants to increase the hourly pay rate for the new general maintenance laborer; and

WHEREAS, only the pay rate discussed herein is being affected by this legislation. This Ordinance does not and will not be interpreted as creating an in-term pay raise for an elected official.

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

SECTION 1: Starting June 5, 2025, the compensation and pay schedule for certain positions within the Village of Thornville, Ohio, is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 2: The hourly pay of the Village Administrator shall be Thirty-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$35.00) per hour, paid bi-weekly.

SECTION 3: The hourly pay for the Administrative Assistant shall be Twenty-Two Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$22.15) per hour, paid bi-weekly.

SECTION 4: The hourly pay for the Fiscal Officer shall be Thirty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$30.00) per hour, paid monthly.

- SECTION 5: The hourly pay for the part-time Clerk of Council shall be Fifteen Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$15.52) per hour, paid monthly.
- SECTION 6: The yearly salary for the part-time Mayor's Court Clerk shall be Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$2,838.45), paid in equal monthly installments. The total hours worked shall not exceed 20 hours per month.
- SECTION 7: The hourly pay for the full-time Licensed Water/Sewer Superintendent shall be Forty-Two Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$42.85) per hour, paid bi-weekly.
- SECTION 8: The hourly pay for a full-time General Maintenance Laborer shall be Twenty-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$25.00) per hour, paid bi-weekly.
- SECTION 9: The hourly pay for a part-time General Laborer shall be Fourteen Dollars and Zero Cents (\$14.00) per hour, paid bi-weekly.
- SECTION 10: The hourly pay for a full-time Licensed Water Operator I / Licensed Sewer Operator 1 shall be Thirty-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$30.00) per hour paid, bi-weekly
- SECTION 11: The yearly salary for the Zoning Inspector shall be Zero Dollars and Zero Cents paid in equal monthly installments, plus zero percent (0%) of each permit fee collected by the Village, paid monthly.
- SECTION 12: The hourly pay for the part-time Zoning Secretary shall be Fifteen Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$15.52) per hour, paid monthly.
- SECTION 13: If he/she works full-time, the yearly salary of the full-time Chief of Police shall be Sixty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$60,000.00) paid in equal bi-weekly installments.
- SECTION 14: If he/she works part-time, the yearly salary of the part-time Chief of Police shall be Ten Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars and Twenty-Three Cents (\$10,478.23), paid in equal bi-weekly installments.
- SECTION 15: The hourly pay for a part-time Police Officer shall be Sixteen Dollars and Zero Cents (\$16.00) per hour, paid monthly.
- SECTION 16: The hourly rate for an Auxiliary Police Officer shall be no dollars and no Cents (\$0.00) per hour. After one year of service and successful completion of the required hours of service within that year, the Auxiliary Police Officer shall receive a yearly stipend of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), paid yearly on the anniversary date of such completion.
- SECTION 17: The yearly salary of the Mayor shall be Three Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$3,000.00), paid in equal quarterly installments.
- SECTION 18: The yearly salary of the President of Village Council shall be One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,250.00), paid in equal quarterly installments.
- SECTION 19: The yearly salary of a Councilmember shall be One Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,000.00), paid in equal quarterly installments.

SECTION 20: 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 21: All prior legislation setting forth the hourly pay rate or yearly salary of any Village employee, worker, or laborer is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 22: 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 wants to make this change immediately. 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 21 day of May, 2025.

Amanda Lackey, Mayor

ATTEST.

Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Approved as to form this 27th day of May 2025

Brian M. Zets, Esq. Village Solicitor