

RESOLUTION NO. 23-12
ADOPTED May 23, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING SE OHIO GRANT SOLUTIONS, LLC TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION, THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, FOR A NATUREWORKS GRANT TO REPLACE THE VILLAGE OF THORNVILLE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL WITH A WATER SPORTS FACILITY (I.E., SPLASHPAD/SPRAY PARK) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio NatureWorks grant program; and

WHEREAS, the NatureWorks grant program provides up to 75% reimbursement assistance for local government subdivisions (townships, villages, cities, counties, park districts, joint recreation districts, and conservancy districts) to for the acquisition, development, and rehabilitation of recreational areas; and

WHEREAS, since NatureWorks' inception, the grant has funded over 2,300 public park projects in all 88 counties. Last year, Round 28 funding totaled \$1,728,671.00; and

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Thornville wants to apply for a NatureWorks Grant to help pay to replace the Village of Thornville's Swimming Pool, which is no longer able to be rehabilitated, with a Water Sports Facility (i.e., Splashpad/Spray Park). However, Council for the Village of Thornville wants assistance to complete and submit this application; and

WHEREAS, the deadline to submit applications for the NatureWorks 29th Round of funding is June 1, 2023.

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

SECTION 1: Council for the Village of Thornville hereby authorizes and directs Heidi Milner, or her designee, of SE Ohio Grant Solutions, LLC to complete and file an application with the State of Ohio, Department of Natural Resources, for a NatureWorks Grant, to replace the Thornville Municipal Swimming Pool with a Water Sports Facility (i.e., Splashpad/Spray Park. In doing so, Heidi Milner, or her designee, is authorized to execute all documents, and provide all information, necessary to make this application.

SECTION 2: Council for the Village of Thornville understands and agrees it will provide the necessary matching funds if the Village is awarded a NatureWorks Grant – Round 29.

SECTION 3: All prior legislation, or any part thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Resolution is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereof.


SECTION 4: It is hereby and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in opening meeting of this Council and that any and all deliberating if 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 5: This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency measure necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Village and for the further reason that Village must complete and submit this application no later than June 1, 2023. Wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the required affirmative votes of Council, it shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage by Council.

Passed in Council this 22nd day of May, 2023.


Gina Kaetzel, Mayor

ATTEST


Traci Sturgill, Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Approved as to form this 19th day of May 2023:


Brian M. Zets, Esq.
Village Solicitor