



VILLAGE OF THORNTON

Regular Board Meeting

February 03, 2025 at 7:15 PM

Village Hall – 115 East Margaret St

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Appointment of Interim Deputy Clerk Brozowski

III. Approval of Committee & Regular Meeting Minutes; Vouchers

[A.](#) January 21, 2025 Committee Meeting Minutes

[B.](#) January 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

[C.](#) FY 25 Line Item Adjustment Requests

[D.](#) Vouchers

IV. Public Comment

V. Committee Topics

VI. Treasurer Frye

[A.](#) January 2025 Cash Position

VII. Attorney Dillner

[A.](#) Ordinance 2025-002: 2025 Water Rates

[B.](#) Ordinance 2025-003: Dumpsters

VIII. Administrator Wiak

IX. Acting President Pisarzewski

X. Executive Session

A. Personnel

B. Sale of Village Property

XI. Old & New Business

XII. Adjournment

VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COUNTY OF COOK

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING – January 21, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Pisarzewski called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Acting President Pisarzewski reported the meeting was being recorded by former Acting Clerk Kitakis, and also recorded on social media.

ROLL CALL

Skipped

PUBLIC COMMENT

Roger Maltrotto made a public comment commending Administrator Wiak on her efforts of the betterment of the community. Mr. Maltrotto also stated when he came into the office earlier it was very busy and the Village would be in a better position if additional staff were hired.

Ted Koch spoke on behalf of the Thornton's Lion's Club. He asked that the board consider waiving the raffle fee for the Lion's Club. Mr. Koch stated the monies raised can only be spent in the Village.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Thornton Fire Department – Trustee Cunningham – TFD responded to 107 calls in the month of December 2024. 65 calls were in the corporate limits. 3 full time fire fighters have accepted offers and have been given start dates. Both paramedic students have completed their midterms and passed. We have one fire fighter waiting to take their EMT state exam. We have two fire fighters taking their MOD exams.

Trustee Reynolds- Nothing to report

Trustee Kaye – Nothing to report

Thornton Police Department – Trustee Glaser reported TPD received 390 calls in the month of December 2024. Thornton PD would also like to remind residents there is no parking on the streets when there is 2 or more inches of snowfall.

Building Department – Trustee Atkinson reported building permits were down the month of December.

Engineer Kaminsky- Nothing to report

Treasurer Frye – Treasurer Frye went over the December 2024 financial report. It was also reported that property tax payments for 2023-2024 are 91% fulfilled.

Treasurer Frye spoke about water rate increases. Treasurer Frye mentioned the Village has not kept up with the suppliers increase. It was recommended that the rates north of the I-80 expressway be raised to \$18.71 up to 500,000 gallons and to \$17.35 after 500,000 gallons. The water rates for south of I-80 expressway should be raised to \$14.37.

Trustee Atkinson questioned if the sewer rate was also billed at a per 1,000-unit rate as well. Treasurer Frye confirmed it is. Trustee Atkinson also asked for clarification on the increase for north of I-80 expressway. Treasurer Frye explained that the proposed increase covers the increase from the Village's supplier, plus an extra dollar for the increase for cumulative Village operating costs. The properties south of I-80 will only be increased by what the Village's water providers increased. Trustee Atkinson inquired if the capital improvement was also billed by per 1,000 gallons. Treasurer Frye confirmed it is also billed per 1,000 gallons, and reminded the board that the capital improvement cost to residents is what the Village is using to repay the loan for the meter project.

Acting President Pisarzewski inquired if the Village received the forgiveness for the loan. Engineer Kaminsky confirmed the Village do not have that total yet, but is hopeful to have an answer by April 2025. Acting President Pisarzewski confirmed we need to proceed with the increases because the Village has not increased the water rates to be consistent with the water rate increases by the Village's suppliers.

Trustee Glaser asked if the capital improvement cost on residents' water bills will be eliminated after the loan is repaid. Treasurer Frye said that is at the discretion of the Village board. Treasurer Frye recommended having Attorney Dillner draft an ordinance regarding the new 2025 water rates. The ordinance will be voted on at the board's February 3, 2025 meeting.

Trustee Cunningham inquired if the Village could average the capital improvement costs so every resident pays the same amount. Acting President Pisarzewski explained that the Village would not be able to do that because north of I-80 is a different water supplier than south of I-80. North of I-80 is supplied by the Village of South Holland, which is bought direct from the Village at a higher rate, due to the area being primarily industrial. South of I-80 is supplied by the City of Chicago Heights, who, in turn, is supplied by the City of Hammond, Indiana, and is a much cheaper rate.

Trustee Cunningham asked if the capital improvement costs could be a flat rate for all residents. Treasurer Frye explained that would not be feasible as certain residents' water usage is higher than others.

Treasurer Frye advised the board when the loan was taken out from the IEPA, the board settled on the 1.75 per 1,000 gallons capital improvement rate to repay the loan.

Acting President Pisarzewski explained that the Village's water suppliers are also charging maintenance and delivery fees. In the future, after the loan is repaid, the board can revisit capital improvement costs.

Trustee Reynolds inquired if Village owned properties pay water bills. Treasurer Frye explained the Village does not pay for their water, but the consumption is tracked. The Village does pay for all the water loss—i.e. when there is a water main break.

Treasurer Frye recommended that the board approve the rate increase as discussed.

Attorney Dillner explained that the Village needs to change the water rate ordinance.

Trustee Atkinson posed a question regarding annual percentage increases. Treasurer Frye responded with saying that the way the Village's current ordinance is written, we increase our water rate by the dollar amount that the supplier increased the rate by, but for the future, it should be increased by the percentage.

Trustee Atkinson responded by questioning if the supplier is raising it by 5%, but the Village is only giving out COLA increases of 3%, then we are increasing the rate by an unnecessary 2%. Treasurer Frye responded by saying there is more that needs to be considered than just COLA increases. The board would also need to take into consideration that the water might have to be increased twice a year. Once in January when the suppliers increase the rates, and then again when the budget is passed for COLA increases for employees who are paid from the water fund.

Trustee Reynolds asked that proposed water rates be discussed in October for January implementation. Treasurer Frye indicated the water rates will take effect during the next water billing cycle, which is March 2025. Trustee Reynolds also inquired if residents will be getting notified of the water rate increase prior to the next bill. Treasurer Frye responded with saying the increase is not that significant.

Trustee Cunningham questioned the water bills regarding the new water meters. She received her water bill, but it was only for the minimum amount. Interim Clerk Kitakis

explained that the new meters that were changed out have not been read yet. There is currently only one employee trained to read the new meters and he is out due to a family death. She went on to further explain that new software has also not been updated to read the new meters. The software is currently setup to read to nearest 1,000th and the new meters read to the nearest gallon, so some system updates also needed to be completed. Interim Clerk Kitakis also went to explain that some of the residents with the new meters will have a larger bill next time because their meters were not read so instead of only have 6 weeks on their bill, they will have closer to 10 weeks on their bill. Trustee Atkinson recommended all of route 4 (the new meters) being read, and then sending out new bills.

Attorney Dillner – Attorney Dillner asked the board to consider extending Harco's Chemicals class 8. First class 8 was issued in 2014. Harco's current taxes are at about \$150,000.

Acting President Pisarzewski said Harco's has done a great job, and the Village should extend it. Trustee Atkinson asked how many times should the board allow for class 8 extensions. Acting President Pisarzewski agreed this is something the board should look into, and set some limits.

Trustee Cunningham questioned the term limit, and if the Village is able to change the term limit. Attorney Dillner explained that this is set through the Cook County. Trustee Glaser asked if we denied the extension, how much more would the Village receive from Harco's? Trustee Atkinson replied the Village would not get any more than is already given.

Trustee Cunningham asked is Harco's mainly for storage? An employee from Harco's spoke and said they are not storage, but production. Harco's currently has 12 employees working there. Since 2017, Harco's has given back nearly \$821,000 into the communities; roughly \$117,000 a year. Trustee Reynolds questioned how these monies have been given back. The Harco's representative said through purchases and things of that nature.

Trustee Reynolds recommended imposing a limit of 2 class 8 uses. Trustee Reynolds also stated she thought the business that received 4 extensions previous was because they were expanding. Trustee Reynolds recommended that instead of trying to make an example of Harco's, that the board start implementing limits, and set a criterion for class 8 extensions; such as giving back to the community, expanding production, and increasing staff. Trustee Atkinson agreed with Trustee Reynolds on this front.

Trustee Reynolds inquired if the Village receives the sales tax from Harco's. The Harco's representative replied that they do mainly wholesale transactions.

Attorney Diller went on to explain the min/max resolution for the insurance renewal. Attorney Dillner explained that the resolution for 5/3 signatories is to remove the former clerk and add Chief Wesolowski, Treasurer Frye, and Acting President Piszczewski.

Attorney Dillner went on to explain item D & E on the meeting are the MOU vehicles agreement. This is giving an ISATT employee permissions to use the ISATT vehicles and equipment.

Administrator Wiak – Administrator Wiak explained the FY25 line-item transfer for the fire department. Administrator Wiak also stated the Thornton’s Lion’s Club is hoping to have the raffle fee waived, and she touched again on staffing needs for the office. Administrator Wiak asked that the board consider the possibility of hiring a full-time treasurer. Treasurer Frye weighed in stating the board should really consider getting a full-time treasurer / accountant due to retirees IMRF constraints. There needs to be 3 people up front. The workload is too much for two people alone, and if someone is off for any extended period of time, one person cannot do it. For this office to adequately staffed there needs to be 3 people. There should be a treasurer here at every meeting.

Old & New business: Trustee Reynolds asked about the funding that Thornton township receives from Thornton for the senior citizen programs, but since they are not doing the senior programs any longer how would Thornton go about getting those funds to be able to help our own seniors?

Attorney Dillner said he would look into this.

Trustee Reynolds also asked for Attorney Dillner to look into our garbage and dumpster ordinance.

Acting President Piszczewski asked for a motion to adjourn the committee meeting.

Trustee Atkinson made the motion seconded by Trustee Reynolds.

Motion was passed meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.

Nikki Kitakis, Interim Clerk

VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COUNTY OF COOK
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – January 21, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Pisarzewski called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:37 p.m.

President Pisarzewski reported the meeting was being recorded by interim Clerk Kitakis, and was being recorded on social media.

PLEDGE AND INVOCATION

President Pisarzewski led the pledge to the flag, followed with a moment of silence for our public servants, our military, our recently deceased which includes Barry Misch, Kathleen Andersen Reingold, and Ed Glynn and our sick.

ROLL CALL

Present at Roll Call: Acting President Pisarzewski; Trustees Cunningham, Reynolds, Kaye, Glaser, Atkinson; Recreation Director Dunlop; Police Chief Wesolowski; Fire Chief Schweitzer.

Also Present: Attorney S. Dillner; Engineer Kaminsky; Treasure Frye; Administrator Wiak

Absent: Public Works Superintendent Roberts

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to approve the minutes of the December 16th, 2024, Committee meeting, as presented.

All in favor.

Abstain: Kaye

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Glaser to approve the minutes of the December 16th, 2024, Board meeting, as presented.

All in favor.

Abstain: Kaye

Motion carried.

FY25 LINE ITEM ADJUSTMENT REQUEST

Motioned by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Reynolds

Ayes: Trustee Kaye, Reynolds, Atkinson, Cunningham, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion Carried

VOUCHERS

\$412,038.87 with \$202,583.36 coming from the SOS grant.

Motion by: Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Kaye

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Kaye, Cunningham, Atkinson, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Treasurer's Report

Motion by: Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Cunningham

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Cunningham, Kaye, Atkinson, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Draft an Ordinance for 2025 Water Rates

Motion by: Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Atkinson

Ayes: Trustee Kaye, Atkinson, Reynolds, Cunningham, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Resolution No. 2025-001R: Class 8 Renewal

Motioned by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Reynolds

Ayes: Trustee Kaye, Reynolds, Atkinson, Cunningham, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Ordinance No. 2025-001: RMA min/max insurance Renewal

Motion by: Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Cunningham

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Cunningham, Kaye, Atkinson, Glaser, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Resolution No. 2025-002R 5/3 Signatories

Motion by: Trustee Glaser, seconded by Trustee Atkinson

Ayes: Trustee Glaser, Atkinson, Cunningham, Reynolds, Kaye, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

MOU and Vehicle use agreement between the Village of Thornton and the Village of Lyons

Motion by: Trustee Glaser, seconded by Trustee Kaye

Ayes: Trustee Glaser, Kaye, Atkinson, Cunningham, Reynolds, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

MOU between the Village of Thornton and the Cook County State's Attorney's office

Motion by: Trustee Glaser, seconded by Trustee Kaye

Ayes: Trustee Glaser, Kaye, Atkinson, Cunningham, Reynolds, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Thornton Lions Club Raffle Waiver Request

Motion by: Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Atkinson

Ayes: Trustee Kaye, Atkinson, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Abstain: Trustee Reynolds, Cunningham, Glaser

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Acting President Pisarzewski asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing executive session minutes, and personnel

Motion by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, to proceed into executive session.

Ayes: Trustees Reynolds, Cunningham, Acting President Pisarzewski, Glaser, Atkinson.

Nays: Trustee Kaye.

Motion carried.

Acting President Pisarzewski proceeded into Executive Session at 8:54 p.m.

Acting President Pisarzewski continued the Regular Board meeting at 10:33 p.m.

Attorney Dillner asked for a motion to approve executive session minutes from October 2nd, 2017; July 2nd, 2018; May 21, 2018; September 4th, 2018; and January 7th, 2019

Motion by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Atkinson

Ayes: Trustee Reynolds, Atkinson, Cunningham, Glaser, Kaye, Acting President Pisarzewski

Nays:

Motion: Carried

Attorney Dillner asked for a motion to release executive session minutes from October 17th, 2011; November 18th, 2013; December 5th, 2016 December 18th, 2017; February 5th, 2018 March 19th, 2018 November 5th, 2018 January 28th, 2019 April 15th, 2019 May 20th, 2019 June 17th, 2019 July 15th, 2019 August 5th, 2019; September 16th, 2019; May 4th, 2020; June 21st, 2021, August 2nd, 2021; September 20, 2021; October 4th, 2021; January 18th, 2022; March 7th, 2022, June 6th, 2022; June 20th, 2022 October, 2nd, 2017; May 21st, 2018; July 2nd, 2018; September 4th, 2018

Motion by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Cunningham

Ayes: Trustees Reynolds, Cunningham, Kaye, Acting President Pisarzewski, Glaser, Atkinson.

Nays:

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the good and welfare of the Village, a motion was made by Trustee Atkinson, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, to adjourn the Regular meeting.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

Acting President Pisarzewski adjourned the Regular Board meeting at 10:37 p.m.

Section III, ItemB.

Joseph Pisarzewski, Acting President

Nikki Kitakis, Interim Clerk

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: ADMINISTRATOR WIAK
FROM: CHIEF WESOLOWSKI
SUBJECT: LINE-ITEM ADJUSTMENT REQUEST
DATE: 01-22-2025
CC:



The Police Department is requesting the following line item transfers:

Police Department:

Increase:	01-67-6002	Salaries Overtime	\$50,000.00
Decrease:	01-67-6005	Salaries Part-Time	(\$10,000.00)
Decrease:	01-67-6009	Crossing Guards	(\$10,000.00)
Decrease:	01-67-6016	Empl. Health Insur.	(\$30,000.00)



VILLAGE OF THORNTON

Section III, Item C.

115 EAST MARGARET STREET • THORNTON, ILLINOIS 60476
PHONE (708) 877-4456 • FAX (708) 877-4458

Memorandum

Date: February 3, 2025
To: Village Board and President
From: Melissa Wiak, Village Administrator
Subject: FY Line-Item Transfer Requests

Increase:	02-74-7021	Maint-water system	\$30,000
Decrease:	14-74-8063	Infrastructure Improvements Generator for South pump station	(\$30,000)
Increase:	02-74-7020	Maint-water tests	\$1,000
Decrease:	14-74-8063	Infrastructure Improvements Generator for South pump station	(\$1,000)

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
GENERAL FUND				
Total GENERAL FUND:				30,929.40
WATER FUND				
Total WATER FUND:				27,295.01
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND				
Total CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:				66,580.52
GO BOND DEBT SERVICE				
Total GO BOND DEBT SERVICE:				34,212.90
SOS GRANT				
Total SOS GRANT:				249.25
Grand Totals:				159,267.08

Report Criteria:
Detail report.
Invoices with totals above \$0.00 included.
Only paid invoices included.

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
STEWART ROOFING COMPANY INC.				
01272025	01/27/2025	rec center roof	08-61-8066 Building Improvements	14,659.33
Total STEWART ROOFING COMPANY INC.:				14,659.33
Grand Totals:				14,659.33

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Payment Approval Report
 Report dates: 1/23/2025-1/31/2025

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Report Criteria:

Detail report.
 Invoices with totals above \$0.00 included.
 Only unpaid invoices included.

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
CALUMET CITY PLUMBING				
65887-1	01/30/2025	WATER MAIN REPAIR	02-74-7021 Maint-water system	5,447.00
66032	01/30/2025	SEWER MAIN	02-74-7016 Maintenance Sewers	2,394.00
66160	01/30/2025	WATER MAIN REPAIR	02-74-7021 Maint-water system	7,200.00
66302	01/30/2025	WATER LEAK / REPLACE LEAD LINE	02-74-7021 Maint-water system	11,245.00
Total CALUMET CITY PLUMBING:				26,286.00
COM ED				
0100-1224	01/30/2025	9572800100	01-63-7041 Electricity-hst s-vldgs	50.39
06000-1224	01/30/2025	2462906000	02-74-7041 Electricity-pumps	43.22
24000-1224	01/30/2025	8992724000	01-63-7044 Street light electricity	51.80
55000-1224	01/30/2025	9544555000	01-63-7044 Street light electricity	26.91
55000-12-24	01/30/2025	3224055000	01-63-7044 Street light electricity	26.91
76000-1224	01/30/2025	3353476000	02-74-7041 Electricity-pumps	805.79
93000-1224	01/30/2025	3249793000	01-63-7044 Street light electricity	25.43
Total COM ED:				1,030.45
CONRAD POLYGRAPH, INC.				
6352	01/29/2025	POLYGRAPH EXAM	01-69-7025 Contracted services	200.00
6394	01/29/2025	POLYGRAPH EXAMS	01-69-7025 Contracted services	400.00
Total CONRAD POLYGRAPH, INC.:				600.00
Datacom Software				
10519-	01/24/2025	UCC UPDATE	01-67-8007 Computer Support/IT	449.00
Total Datacom Software:				449.00
EAGLE UNIFORM CO., INC.				
21416-3	01/29/2025	F.D. UNIFORMS	01-69-8013 Uniforms	194.00
21417-3	01/29/2025	F.D. UNIFORMS	01-69-8013 Uniforms	194.00
Total EAGLE UNIFORM CO., INC.:				388.00
EMPIST, LLC				
inv-106006	01/31/2025	FIREWALL	01-50-8007 Computer Support	2,896.00
Total EMPIST, LLC:				2,896.00
EMS MANAGEMENT & CONSULTANTS, INC.				
EMS-011957	01/29/2025	AMBULANCE SALES	01-69-7025 Contracted services	1,119.82
Total EMS MANAGEMENT & CONSULTANTS, INC.:				1,119.82
FLOOD BROTHERS DISPOSAL CO.				
1-25	01/30/2025	GARBAGE	01-63-7035 Garbage disposal	20,731.10
Total FLOOD BROTHERS DISPOSAL CO.:				20,731.10

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Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
Grethey Electric				
011725	01/29/2025	ELECTRICAL WORK	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	580.00
Total Grethey Electric:				580.00
Huntington				
925710	01/29/2025	PNC 205929000 PAYMENT	09-30-8131 Capital Lease Loan - Princip	25,478.53
925710	01/29/2025	PNC 205929000 PAYMENT	09-30-8132 Capital Lease Loan - Interes	8,734.37
Total Huntington:				34,212.90
KRUNCH TIME AUTO				
10219	01/29/2025	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	01-69-7002 Maint-vehicles	289.95
10221	01/30/2025	TRUCK #1	01-63-7002 Maint-vehicles	254.91
10227	01/29/2025	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	01-69-7002 Maint-vehicles	78.19
Total KRUNCH TIME AUTO:				623.05
LANER MUCHIN DOMBROW BECKER				
679266	01/29/2025	LEGAL	01-54-7071 Legal fees-labor	1,850.00
Total LANER MUCHIN DOMBROW BECKER:				1,850.00
METROPOLITAN INDUSTRIES, INC.				
inv069903	01/30/2025	SCADA CLOUD SERVICES	02-74-7040 Telephone-water	160.00
Total METROPOLITAN INDUSTRIES, INC.:				160.00
NICOR				
10008-125	01/30/2025	55556610008	01-63-7042 Heat	282.17
Total NICOR:				282.17
PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECT, INC.				
104731	01/29/2025	AMBULANCE MAINTENANCE	01-69-7002 Maint-vehicles	130.00
Total PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECT, INC.:				130.00
RAY O'HERRON CO. INC,				
3229872	01/24/2025	UNIFORMS @ PD	01-67-8013 Uniforms	21.00
Total RAY O'HERRON CO. INC.,:				21.00
REDEFINED RESTORATION				
1470	01/15/2025	MITIGATION AND DEMOLITION	08-61-8066 Building Improvements	14,878.00
1471	01/15/2025	CONSTRUCTION	08-61-8066 Building Improvements	37,043.19
Total REDEFINED RESTORATION:				51,921.19
S&J INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CORP.				
11086	01/30/2025	REC/PD/FD SUPPLIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	551.82
Total S&J INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CORP.:				551.82
TRAINING CONCEPTS				
62381	01/29/2025	TRAINING	01-69-8005 Training/Conferences	495.00

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
Total TRAINING CONCEPTS:				495.00
TROPHYS ARE US				
30808	01/29/2025	RETIREMENT ENGRAVING	01-69-7025 Contracted services	31.00
Total TROPHYS ARE US:				31.00
WENTWORTH TIRE				
30063147	01/21/2025	OIL CHANGE & WIPERS	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	99.40
30063210	01/24/2025	OIL CHANGE & FILTER	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	55.44
30063211	01/24/2025	OIL CHANGE	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	62.43
30063213	01/24/2025	WIPER BLADES	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	31.98
Total WENTWORTH TIRE:				249.25
Grand Totals:				144,607.75

Report Criteria:

Detail report.

Invoices with totals above \$0.00 included.

Only unpaid invoices included.

Village of Thornton
Cash Position
January 30, 2025

Balance per books

01.01.0001 General Cash	\$	2,332,721.00
02.01.0001 Water		(47,551.80)
04.01.0001 Motor Fuel Tax		172,610.61
05.01.0001 Grants		(13,278.53)
06.01.0001 DUI/Vehicle Fund		1,466.19
08.01.0001 Capital Projects		336,613.42
09.01.0001 Bond Debt Service		36,072.14
11.01.0001 Downtown TIF #3		7,375.58
12.01.0001 TIF Downtown		51,376.59
13.01.0001 TIF Blackstone		68,233.62
14.01.0001 Water Capital Improvement		397,647.15
15.01.0010 SOS Grant		4,787,951.93
15.01.0002 SOS Debit account		38,642.81
16.01.0001 Rebuild Illinois		50,751.05

Adjusted Book

\$ 8,220,631.76



CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS

Section VII, Item A.

CORPORATION COUNSEL

THOMAS "Tj" SOMER

January 29, 2025

Village of Thornton
Attn: Hon. Joseph Pisarzewski
115 East Margaret Street
Thornton IL 60473

Re: Chicago Heights/Thornton Water Purchase/Sales Agreement
Notice of CPI Increase to water delivery rate.

Dear Mayor Pisarzewski,

Please accept this correspondence as notice under section 502 of the above captioned Water Sales Agreement that the City will be applying the 2024 CPI increase of 2.9% and the 2023 CPI increase of 3.4% to the current "Delivery Rate" of \$1.26 for water sales to the Village. The application of the new CPI's will result in a new "Delivery Rate" of \$1.34 per 1000 gallons of water delivered. Accordingly, the new "Total Base Rate" shall increase from \$5.40 to \$5.48/1000 gallons. Said increase shall be effective for water delivered after March 1, 2025 in order to comply with the Agreements thirty day notice provision.

I have enclosed the Department of Labor statistical printout for the CPI determination for your review. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

Tj Somer

Economic News Release



Consumer Price Index Summary

Transmission of material in this release is embargoed until
8:30 a.m. (ET) Wednesday, January 15, 2025 USDL-25-0021

Technical information: (202) 691-7000 * cpi_info@bls.gov * www.bls.gov/cpi
Media contact: (202) 691-5902 * PressOffice@bls.gov

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - DECEMBER 2024

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.4 percent on a seasonally adjusted basis in December, after rising 0.3 percent in November, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 2.9 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The index for energy rose 2.6 percent in December, accounting for over forty percent of the monthly all items increase. The gasoline index increased 4.4 percent over the month. The index for food also increased in December, rising 0.3 percent as both the index for food at home and the index for food away from home increased 0.3 percent each.

The index for all items less food and energy rose 0.2 percent in December, after increasing 0.3 percent in each of the previous 4 months. Indexes that increased in December include shelter, airline fares, used cars and trucks, new vehicles, motor vehicle insurance, and medical care. The indexes for personal care, communication, and alcoholic beverages were among the few major indexes that decreased over the month.

The all items index rose 2.9 percent for the 12 months ending December, after rising 2.7 percent over the 12 months ending November. The all items less food and energy index rose 3.2 percent over the last 12 months. The energy index decreased 0.5 percent for the 12 months ending December. The food index increased 2.5 percent over the last year.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

	Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month							Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Dec. 2024
	Jun. 2024	Jul. 2024	Aug. 2024	Sep. 2024	Oct. 2024	Nov. 2024	Dec. 2024	
All items	-0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	2.9
Food	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	2.5
Food at home	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3	1.8
Food away from home(1)	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	3.6
Energy	-2.0	0.0	-0.8	-1.9	0.0	0.2	2.6	-0.5
Energy commodities	-3.7	0.1	-0.6	-4.0	-1.0	0.5	4.3	-3.9
Gasoline (all types)	-3.8	0.0	-0.6	-4.1	-0.9	0.6	4.4	-3.4
Fuel oil	-2.4	0.9	-1.9	-6.0	-4.6	0.6	4.4	-13.1
Energy services	-0.1	-0.1	-0.9	0.7	1.0	-0.1	0.8	3.3
Electricity	-0.7	0.1	-0.7	0.7	1.2	-0.4	0.3	2.8
Utility (piped) gas service	2.4	-0.7	-1.9	0.7	0.3	1.0	2.4	4.9
All items less food and energy	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	3.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	-0.5
New vehicles	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.6	0.5	-0.4
Used cars and trucks	-1.5	-2.3	-1.0	0.3	2.7	2.0	1.2	-3.3
Apparel	0.1	-0.4	0.3	1.1	-1.5	0.2	0.1	1.2
Medical care commodities(1)	0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.5
Services less energy services	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.4
Shelter	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	4.6
Transportation services	-0.5	0.4	0.9	1.4	0.4	0.0	0.5	7.3
Medical care services	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.2	3.4

Footnotes

⁽¹⁾ Not seasonally adjusted.

Food

The index for food increased 0.3 percent in December, after rising 0.4 percent in November. The food at home index also rose 0.3 percent over the month. Four of the six major grocery store food group indexes increased in

ORDINANCE NO 2025-002
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE
CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
TITLE 6, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 4,
WATER AND SEWER FUND,
BY AMENDING 6-5-4-Y

WHEREAS, the Village of Thornton is a validly organized and existing Home Rule Municipality within the purview of Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Illinois Constitution (1970), and the said Village, therefore, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, Title 6, Chapter 5, Section 4, provides for the water and sewer regulations;

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees wish to amend said provision of the Village Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: That Title 6, Chapter 5, Section 4, Paragraph Y of the Code of the Village of Thornton shall be amended to read as follows:

Y. Water and sewer rates established.

1. Commencing January 1, 2025, all water supplied by the Village in the area bounded on the north by Amory Drive, on the east by the Village limits, on the south by the Illinois Toll Road, and on the west by the Village limits, (hereinafter) "the area north of the Tollway," shall be charged for each period of two months at the rate of \$15.96 per 1,000 gallons for usage not exceeding 500,000 gallons and the rate of \$14.60 for usage exceeding 500,000 gallons, plus any increases charged by the supplier of water to the Village. There shall be an additional charge of \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons of water used for usage of the sewer system of the Village.

2. Commencing January 1, 2025, all water supplied by the Village except for the area north of the Tollway, as specified above, shall be charged for each period of two months at the rate of \$11.62 per 1,000 gallons plus any increases charge by the supplier of water to the Village. There shall be an additional charge of \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons of water used for usage of the sewer system of the Village.

- 3. For all water accounts that do not use at least 1,000 gallons of water per two-month billing period, there shall be a minimum charge of an amount equal to 1,000 gallons' usage of water and sewer for each billing period for water usage and maintenance and repair of the waterworks.
- 4. For all water accounts there shall be an additional charge of \$1.75/1000 gallons used for the capital improvement fund.
- 5. Effective May first every year, the rate for water and sewer use shall increase by the COLA increase approved by the President and Board of Trustees in the annual budget..
- 6. Should the water user's water meter not be read for any reason, the Village will bill the water user an amount that is equal to the average of the last two meter readings. Any difference in the actual water usage as indicated by the next meter reading will be adjusted at the next billing date.

SECTION 2: Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application of any provision of this Ordinance, is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such occurrence shall not affect other provisions of this Ordinance, or their application, that can be given effect without the unconstitutional or invalid provision or its application. Each unconstitutional or invalid provision, or application of such provision, is severable, unless otherwise provided by this Ordinance.

SECTION 3: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval and publication as required by law.

Passed by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2025.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED by me this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Joseph Pisarzewski,
Acting Village President
Village of Thornton

Cook County, Illinois

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form by authority of the Corporate Authorities on _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Nikki Katakis Acting, Village Clerk
Village of Thornton
Cook County, Illinois

ORDINANCE NO 2025-003

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6 CHAPTER 4 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS REGARDING GARBAGE REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the Village of Thornton is a validly organized and existing Home Rule Municipality within the purview of Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Illinois Constitution (1970), and the said Village, therefore, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, Title 6, Chapter 4, provides for garbage regulations; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees wish to amend said provision of the Village Code by adding a new 6-4-4F entitled “Construction Dumpsters”.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: That Title 6 Chapter 4 Section 1 entitled “DEFINITIONS” shall be amended with the addition of the following language:

CONSTRUCTION DUMPSTER shall mean any container used for the storage, collection, or removal of construction debris, demolition debris, or other discarded material and shall not include containers provided for the disposal of residential or commercial waste generated in the ordinary course and located on multi-unit residential or commercial premises.

SECTION 2 That Title 6 Chapter 4 Section 4 of the Village Municipal Code shall be amended with the additional of a new 6-4-4-F entitled “Construction Dumpster Regulations” and shall read as follows:

6-4-4-F Construction Dumpster Regulations

1. Prior to the location of any construction dumpster in the Village, the owner of the dumpster shall:
 - a. Obtain a construction dumpster permit from the Village and pay a \$25 fee, and
 - b. Provide proof of liability insurance, naming the Village, as an additional insured, against loss, claim, casualty and liability arising from the drop-off and pick-up, maintenance and use of the construction dumpster, and
 - c. Indelibly label the dumpster, on at least two sides, in letters no less than one inch high, in a color that contrasts clearly with its background and placed on a vertical surface, the name, address and telephone number of the owner of the dumpster; and
 - d. Be responsible for the dumpster to be leak-resistant and rodent-resistant and to maintain the dumpster in good condition, and
 - e. Inform the Village the address and proposed location of the construction dumpster on the premises and the estimated length of placement.
2. All Construction Dumpsters must be kept in the driveway of the property at the furthest accessible point from the street on paved surfaces.
3. If the property does not have a driveway or the driveway does not have sufficient length to accommodate the construction dumpster, then subject to Village approval based upon weather and traffic conditions, the construction dumpster may be placed upon the street in front of the premises. If the construction dumpster is placed on the street, then the construction dumpster

must have at least 2 square feet of reflective striping, be protected by construction barricades and hve at least one flashing amber light at each end.

- 4. A permit for an onsite construction dumpster shall last 14 days and may be renewed. A permit for an offsite/street construction dumpster shall last 7 days and be renewable. All construction dumpsters must be emptied every 7 days.
- 5. Violations and penalties. Any person who shall place a construction dumpster or the owner of the real estate where the construction dumpster is placed in violation of this article shall be subject to a fine not exceeding seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00). In addition, the Building Commissioner may issue a stop work order or revoke the building permit issued to the premises at the time of the violation.

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SECTION 3: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval and publication as required by law.

Passed by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County,

Illinois, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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