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THORN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION

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The Board of Trustees of Thorn Township convened in regular session from 5:00 P.M. to 5:20 P.M. in the Township Hall. Trustee Wilson called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Members:

Billie Dearlove	Present	Richie Boring	Absent
Richard Wilson	Present	Bradley Blain	Present

Visitors: Anna Cox, Jason Foltz

Fiscal Officer Report

Approval of November 12,2025 Regular Session Minutes: Due to Trustee Boring not able to attend tonight’s meeting and Trustee Blain was not in attendance of the November 12, 2025 meeting; approval of Novembers minutes will be done at the January 2026 regular meeting.

Monthly Reports: Fiscal Officer Dearlove presented the following reports: November 2025 Bank Reconciliation, October Fund Status Report, Payment Report, Receipt Report and Appropriation Status Report.

Credit Card Review: Credit Card Compliance Officer Anna Cox presented the information for the six-month credit card review. No new cards or new employees were added since the last review.

Fire Recovery USA: Fiscal Officer Dearlove said she forwarded the e-mail for this. Chief Weekly said he read it. He stated this is for rescue incidents. He said PMMG no longer bills for this and they recommended this company for it. He said he doesn’t feel it is worth it as they have very few incidents.

2026 Health Insurance Renewal- Fiscal Officer Dearlove stated she needed approval from the trustees for the renewal of 2026 Insurance. She stated that the increase in cost for 2026 will be 5%.

Motion: A motion to approve the renewal of the 2026 Insurance was made by Trustee Wilson and seconded by Trustee Blain. **Votes were:** Richard Wilson; Aye, Bradley Blain; Aye, Richie Boring; Absent.

Fiscal Officer Dearlove stated she needs to increase the appropriations in the following accounts: OPERS (for Zoning) in the amount of \$450.00 and for Road Workers in the amount of \$1,063.00 and in the Zoning Fund for Salaries in the amount of \$1,780.00.

Motion: A motion to approve increasing the appropriations for OPERS (for Zoning) in the amount of \$450.00, OPERS (for Road Workers) in the amount of \$1,063.00 and for Zoning Fund for Salaries in the amount of \$1,780.00 was made by Trustee Blain and seconded by Trustee Wilson. **Votes were:** Richard Wilson; Aye, Bradley Blain; Aye, Richie Boring; Absent.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Boring-Absent

Trustee Wilson
Reported he has been trying to get ahold of Gibson Electric to look at the electric issues at the Food Pantry and Medical Loan Facility building but he has not got back with him yet. Once he gets back with him with a date he can be there; Trustee Wilson would like someone from Fire Department to be there to show him where all the violations are in the building.

Reported a couple holes on Township Road 403 have been repaired.

Trustee Blain
Reported he received a complaint from a resident at Point Beautiful (Township Road 405) about the speeding on that road and he wants the township to close the fire access to Heron Bay. Chief Weekly

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stated he does not believe they can legally do that. Trustee Blain said he didn't think they could either. Trustee Blain said he told the gentleman he would bring it up at tonight's meeting and the gentleman said he would be in attendance but he is not here. Brief discussion was held. Trustee Blain stated the resident reported that there is excessive speeding coming in and out of there and he would like to see speed bumps or speed limit signs put up. Trustee Blain said he told him to call the Sheriff's Department about the speeding. Chief Weekly stated that access road is a private road and they would have to contact the Heron Bay Home Owners Association about this issue, the township cannot close it. Trustee Blain said he would let the gentleman know this.

Zoning- Zoning Inspector Corns was not in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Fire/EMS

Chief Weekly present his monthly reports.

Reported PMMG sent him information that township needs to increase the EMS Billing Rates by 2% for 2026. He stated that he needs a resolution to allow this increase. He said he will send a copy of the passed resolution over to PMG and they can start billing at the new rate in January 2026.

Motion: A motion was made by Trustee Blain to increase the billing rate for EMS by 2% for 2026 and was seconded by Trustee Wilson. **Votes were:** Richard Wilson; Aye, Bradley Blain; Aye, Richie Boring; Absent.

Reported he received notification from SFM (State Fire Marshalls Office) that they received the MARC Grant in the amount of \$1,320.00 which will be used to pay their annual dues.

Reported because of the passing of HB 96 and the fact the township has a network system with employee personal information on it, the township is required to have some sort of Firewall in place. He has scheduled a meeting with Spectrum on December 17, 2025 since they provide our internet service.

Reported he met with Fiscal Officer Dearlove and Trustee Boring to discuss raises for employees for 2026. He stated they were comfortable with a \$1.00 an hour increase for part-time employees and a 3% increase for full-time firefighters/paramedics. Fiscal Officer Dearlove said they will take a look in 6 months at the funds and see if they can give the part-time employees another \$1.00 per hour.

Fiscal Officer Dearlove asked Chief Weekly how the remodeling is coming along and if it will be finished by the end of the year? Chief Weekly said they are waiting for the materials to come in and it will probably not be finished by year end.

Fiscal Officer Dearlove said they need to set the date for the Reorganization Meeting. A brief discussion was held. The meeting was scheduled for January 2, 2026 at 10:00 A.M.

Meeting Adjourned:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 P.M. by Trustee Wilson and seconded by Trustee Blain. **Votes were:** Richard Wilson; Aye, Bradley Blain; Aye, Richie Boring; Absent.

Billie Dearlove

Richie Boring

Richard Wilson

Bradley Blain

All of the formal actions of Thorn Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/ or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.