

**THORNBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2026**

Meeting Time: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Location: Thornburg Community Center, Library

Attendance: Council President Vinnie Coppola (2029), Lauren Catanzarite (2029), Sigo Falk (2029), Zane Long (2027), and Tony Szmul (2029) were present. Mayor Tom Mackin (2029) was present. Also present were Solicitor Emily Mueller and Secretary/Treasurer Colleen Kamnikar

Absent: Mary Ditmore (2027) and Michael Jameson (2027)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

President Coppola began the meeting with the dispensing of the Minutes of the May 4, 2026 meeting. Mr. Long suggested removing the last sentence from paragraph 6 on page 2. President Coppola approved the minutes after said change was made. Mr. Long made a motion to approve the minutes Mr. Szmul seconded the motion, and motion was passed.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Several members of the community were in attendance including Joan Britten, Susan Kelly, and Marie Urick to discuss the Earth Disturbance of Parcel 69-J-80. Council informed the community that Lugalía Mechanical has privately purchased that Parcel and plans to build a warehouse on that land which is zoned as light industrial. The company was recently cited for clearing the site without a permit and has paid the fines necessary. Lugalía's private engineering reports have found that there are no wetlands in that area. Discussion commenced. Council encouraged the community members to reach out to the DEP, Allegheny County and/or state with their concerns and additions questions.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Mackin informed Council that there was no police report for May because the Crafton Borough Secretary had recently had surgery.

Crafton Speed Reporting:

Crafton Police had agreed to help install and monitor/control speed towers in Thornburg. We will be putting electronic speed posts starting on Princeton Road to monitor speed patterns and with the help of the Crafton Police Dept. gauge the level of speeding in the neighborhood.

Pothole problem:

Council has concluded that there is no owner of the small section of Rutgers Road leading up to Steuben Street Bridge. Next year Allegheny County will undergo reconstruction of the bridge near

Caliente restaurant. Thornburg will maintain Rutgers Road approaching the bridge until construction of bridge begins.

Police Contract:

Borough Council Solicitor revised the Police Contract. In this 5-year contract she suggested adding language that if the police force drops to less than 9 officers Council could reduce their invoice by 1.9% for 30 days. Also, suggested adding provision to terminate this contract for no reason as to not bind a new Council with 4-month notice.

Summer Public Works help has one inquiry so far. Mayor Mackin asked the Borough Secretary to advertise paid position in the community newsletter and email blast to gain interest.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT/ ENGINEER'S REPORT:

President Coppola informed Council of its readiness to advertise for paving bids the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitations Project. Mr. Falk made a motion to approve the advertisement for paving bids and Mr. Long seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Construction projects:

President Coppola updated Council that the sidewalk project is on track. No completion date has been determined.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Borough Solicitor reviewed the Graff Architect & Design contract for the renovation of the Community Center. No changes were needed, just clarification that use of AIA documents was the companies standard.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Disbursements:

Ms. Kamnikar presented the list of disbursements for May. Mr. Falk noticed that on Profit and Loss statement that Real Estate Tax listing was missing Ms. Kamnikar would correct that error and report back to Council with the corrected report. Mr. Falk made a motion to approve the disbursements. Ms. Catanzarite seconded the motion. The disbursements were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Grants:

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

President Coppola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm, which was seconded by Mr. Szmul. The motion was unanimously approved.