

CITY OF THORNTON – MARCH 9, 2011 – 7:00 P.M. – CITY HALL

The Thornton City Council met on the above date and time with Mayor Joy Baker calling the meeting to order. Council members present: Barbara Hopkey, Michael Younge, Larry Stadtlander, Barry Groh, and Brian Crowell. Also present: Travis Fischer.

Stadtlander made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of fire townships levy rates and an update on the water main on Larch Street. Crowell seconded, motion carried.

Mayor Baker opened the Public Hearing for the proposed budget for fiscal year 2011-12. There were no written or oral objections. Groh made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Stadtlander seconded, motion carried. Younge made a motion to adopt by resolution the final budget for F/Y 2011-12. Stadtlander seconded, therefore Resolution #11-02 adopted.

Hopkey made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Groh seconded, motion carried.

Stadtlander made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Hopkey seconded, motion carried.

Garbage pickup and illegal dumpster use discussed. The Clerk reported that there are several citizens that do not purchase the blue bags for garbage pick-up. The Council agreed that dumpster rental is for projects and not for dumping of daily garbage. Dumpsters are to be rented out for 1 week, unless previous arrangements are made with the Clerk.

Hopkey made a motion to approve the liquor license application renewal for Westy's Sports Bar & Grill. Stadtlander seconded, Younge – aye, Groh – aye, Crowell – abstained, motion carried.

Groh reported that the North Iowa Tour - Disc Golf Tournament Series will be holding a tournament at Ingebretson Park on March 26, 2011. The County is requiring special event liability insurance for this and due to the time of year, port-a-potties will need to be rented. This tournament is part of a tour and would bring people into Thornton for the day. Groh stated that Mission Thornton has monies available for the port-a-potties, but not for the insurance. Younge made a motion to purchase the liability insurance for the event. Crowell seconded, motion carried.

The Clerk reported a salesman from Dr. Pepper wanted to know if the City would be interested in overseeing a pop machine in town. No interest was expressed.

A building permit application for new home construction at 412 N 7th Street was reviewed. Groh made a motion to approve the application. Hopkey seconded, motion carried.

Township levy's for fire protection was discussed.

The water main along Larch Street was discussed. Necessary improvements may be needed to avoid any further breaks.

Younge made a motion to adjourn. Crowell seconded, motion carried.

Michelle Duff

City Clerk