**CITY OF THORNTON – MAY 5, 2025 – 6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL**

The Thornton City Council met on the above date and time with Mayor Mike Jensen calling the meeting to order. Council members present: Randy Bohman, Bill Hicok, Roger Engebretson, and Jared Dietzenbach. Absent: Brad Willman. Also present: Chuck Malotte.

Bohman made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Hicok seconded, motion carried.

Bohman discussed the economic development authority as being an option to lessen the burden of demolition of the main street buildings. Clerk will look further into this.

Hicok discussed have a relative remove the fire escape from his building that attaches to the city owned building. Said relative will do it for the scrap metal and nothing else. Bohman made a motion to approve. Engebretson seconded, unanimous roll call vote, Hicok abstained, motion carried.

Jensen opened sealed bids for the lot at 216 main street. There were 3 bids. Council decided on the highest bid. Hicok made a motion to approve the highest bid of $5,500 from Jared Dietzenbach. Engebretson seconded, unanimous roll call vote from Bohman, Hicok, and Engebretson. Dietzenbach abstained. Motion carried. Public Hearing for sale of property is set for June 2nd at 6:30 p.m.

Council held discussion on planting trees around the outfield fence in the park. Norway spruce was selected and the committee will figure out all the details. There is hope to plant them yet in May. Otherwise, it will be this fall. Volunteers are welcome to help.

Discussion on the part-time wage for Glidden was held. Engebretson made a motion to approve $18/hour and a bump up to $20/hour after obtaining a CDL. Bohman seconded, motion carried.

**Community clean-up day is June 16th.**

A lengthy discussion on tree removal was held, the city will be removing more trees this year. We are aware of a couple that are in desperate need of coming down and are working diligently to get to them.

Bohman made a motion to approve the liquor license at the gas station in town. Dietzenbach seconded, motion carried.

Bohman made a motion to adjourn. Engebretson seconded, motion carried.

Megan Hobscheidt

Thornton City Clerk

Mike Jensen

Mayor of Thornton