

Present: Mayor - Larry Franzen	Absent: Council member Roger Dudley
Council members Jeff Kennedy	City Attorney Mike Bacon
Jim Aden	Police Chief Randy Olson
Gary Norseen	
City Administrator Bruce Clymer	
City Clerk Connie L. Dalrymple	

Press: Gothenburg Times - Beth Barrett

Also present: Jeff Whiting, Shane Gruber, Ken Fairchild of Olson & Assoc.

The meeting was called in place of the regular scheduled meeting on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Franzen opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda were given to the Council and members of the press.

Norseen moved, Aden seconded, to approve the consent agenda that included:

City Council minutes – June 21  
Cemetery Board minutes – June 26  
Police Report - June

Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Aden, Norseen. Nay - none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, allowing payment of the claims against the City, \$324,691.37; Public Works Division \$57,244.55, except #4901; and the June 29 payroll of \$32,593.43. Roll call vote: Yea – Norseen, Aden, Kennedy. Nay - none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

Aden moved, Norseen seconded, allowing payment of claim #4901 to quality Fire Extinguishers. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Norseen. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

- Council reviewed and discussed the amended Open Meetings Act that becomes effective July 14.

The proposed ordinance to rezone a parcel south of the UPRR tracks was not available.

Item 5 b), *Chamber request to serve alcohol at Pony Express Station for Business After Hours July 21 and passage of the necessary resolution if approval is given* was removed from the agenda at the request of the Chamber.

Olson & Assoc have been selected to provide electrical engineering services for the City in the establishment of the ethanol plant. Their design and development of the area will be for immediate needs but also seek to ease future growth needs. The fee structure will be based on time and expense, not to exceed \$169,309.

Kennedy moved, Norseen seconded, approving the electrical engineering contract with Olson & Assoc as proposed. Roll call vote: Yea- Aden, Norseen, Kennedy. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

Aden moved, Norseen seconded, introduction of Ordinance #808 entitled:

*An ordinance authorizing the issuance of various purpose bonds, series 2006, of the City of Gothenburg, Nebraska, in the principal amount not to exceed four hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$460,000) to pay the costs of various improvements in the City, and to pay the costs of issuance of the bonds; prescribing the form of said bonds; providing for the levy of a tax and the establishment of a sinking fund to pay said bonds; providing for the sale of the bonds; authorizing the delivery of the bonds to the purchaser.*

Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Norseen, Aden. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

Bonds will be sold in \$5000 increments, carry 5% interest and a 10-year payoff.

Norseen moved, Kennedy seconded, approval of a contract with Miller & Assoc to development a water offset plan required by the ethanol plant construction. It deals with water rights in the Platte River basin. Fees are based on an hourly cost, not to exceed \$10,200. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Kennedy, Norseen. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

Aden moved, Kennedy seconded, approval of a \$10,376 request for CDBG funds for the Senior Center project. Roll call vote: Yea – Norseen, Kennedy, Aden. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Dudley.

Kennedy moved, Norseen seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Norseen, Kennedy. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Dudley. The next regular meeting will be July 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

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Larry Franzen Mayor

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Connie L. Dalrymple, City Clerk