

Regular City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers

October 20, 2015  
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor –	Joyce Hudson
Council members	Jeff Kennedy
	Randy Waskowiak
	Verlin Janssen
	Jay Richeson
City Administrator	Bruce Clymer
City Attorney	Mike Bacon
City Clerk / Treasurer	Connie L. Dalrymple

Press: *Gothenburg Times* - Beth Barrett

Also present: Bill Podroza of Miller & Assoc., Blaine Peterson, Steve Peterson, Tim Deans of Paulsen's Inc. Shane Gruber, Dick Nelson

Mayor Hudson 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. City Council meetings are conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is available for public inspection on the north wall of the Council Chambers.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

- City Council minutes – October 6
- Building Permit report – August & September
- Cemetery Sexton Report – July thru September
- Library Director's report – July 7 thru Sept 14
- Planning & Zoning Commission minutes – October 13
- Treasurer's Report - September

Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Waskowiak, Janssen, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$117,192.72; Public Works Division \$522,997.53; and the October 20 payroll of \$41,417.84. Roll Call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Janssen, Kennedy, Richeson. Nay - none.

Community Comments:

- The new well has been drilled at Lake Helen and the old well is set to be decommissioned on Wednesday. The alum treatment has also been completed.
- Administrator Clymer expressed condolences to the family of former employee Francis Osborn who passed away on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

The only bid received for the improvement of the northeast corner of Highways 30 and 47 was from Tom Franzen for \$112,966 which is \$35 - \$45,000 higher than estimated. After meeting with the Downtown Revitalization Committee and Dawson Area Development, Administrator Clymer recommended the bid be rejected and the project rebid on a line item basis so we know what each area of construction costs.

Kennedy moved, Waskowiak seconded, to reject the Franzen bid and to ask Miller and Associates to prepare a new bid document on a line item basis. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, approving Mayor Hudson's recommendation appointing Linda Bowman to complete the term of Mike Hilderbrand on the Board of Adjustment. The term will expire January 2017. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Waskowiak, Richeson, Janssen. Nay – none.

Item 5 c.) *Consider / award bid for police cruiser* was removed from the agenda and not discussed.

Bill Podroza, Client Relations Manager for Miller & Assoc., thanked the Council for the work the firm has received from Gothenburg over the years and asked the Council to contact him if there is anything they can do better. The firm bills for their services in three ways; cost, per hour, or percentage of project cost; however the City wants on a particular project. There is no additional cost for change orders, phone calls, etc.

According to Tim Dean of Paulsen's Inc., the company will be doing interior and exterior work at the First State Bank. He asked to close the alley on the north side of the bank to through traffic for approximately 45 days because they will have scaffolding along the bank for exterior work. They have agreed to a 45 degree angle closure at the front and back of the bank to allow Nelson Appliance to load /unload appliances. The work will begin in November.

Peterson's Supermarket has about five trucks that use the alley through to Lake Ave. Going north from behind the store is against traffic and trucks will hit the drive through bank overhangs going south.

Mr. Dean agreed to talk with Gothenburg State Bank administration about allowing delivery trucks to use the north parking lot and drive area as an exit and will continue to work with the City. Dick Nelson was appreciative of the angled closure and short construction time.

The NCEA is the entity through which we purchased the electric vehicle and is currently working on a grant for a solar field. The organization has offered an amended interlocal agreement that will add an executive board to simplify meetings and communication.

Kennedy moved, Waskowiak seconded, authorizing signature of the amended interlocal agreement with NCEA. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Waskowiak moved, Kennedy seconded, approving Drawdown #10 on the DTR project in the amount of \$8064 and authorized payment to Steve Potter at 822 Lake Ave for \$5187, and to Steve Potter at 809 Lake Ave for \$2877. Roll call vote: Yea - Richeson, Kennedy, Waskowiak, Janssen. Nay – none.

Janssen moved, Waskowiak seconded, approving payment of \$98,640 to HAB Aquatic Solutions for the Lake Helen alum treatment. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Kennedy, Waskowiak, Janssen. Nay – none.

Waskowiak moved, Kennedy seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay - none. The next regular meeting will be November 3, 2015.

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Joyce Hudson, Mayor

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Connie L. Dalrymple, City Clerk