Regular City Council Meeting City Council Chambers February 15, 2011 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor – Joyce Hudson Absent: City Clerk Connie L. Dalrymple

Gary Fritch
Tim Strauser
Jeff Whiting
Bruce Clyme
Mike Bacon

City Administrator Bruce Clymer City Attorney Mike Bacon Recorder Sandy Smith

Press: Gothenburg Times - Beth Barrett

Also present: Shane Gruber, Cherry Alger, Jake Bauer, RJ Parmenter, representative for Project Extra Mile, Deputy Bob Lambert, Officer Ryan Randolph

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, Whiting seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

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Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay - none.

Strauser moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$14,366.16; Public Works Division \$440,097.30; and the February 3 payroll of \$31,410.69. Roll Call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay - none.

Community Comments:

- A water valve is broken at Lake Avenue and 10th Street. Water crew will be working on it on 2-15-11. Water will be off for 1 to 3 hours.
- LED lighting is half done. Avenue A to F is completed North of Hwy 30.
- A grit remover is being installed at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. It saved \$10,000.00 to have Zook's Welding in Cozad build it.
- City Administrator Bruce Clymer was elected Secretary/Treasurer of ACE.
- DAD is putting together a Community Retreat which will be held at Lexington on March 21st.

The Planning and Zoning Commission agreed to make the change that an appurtenant structure could be built under special use permit.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded to advance Ordinance 860 regarding flood plain management regulations, as amended, to third and final reading. Roll call vote: Yea- Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay – none.

The community survey response was not in favor of extending the hours of alcohol sales to 2:00 a.m. Officer Randolph stated it is not in the best interest of the City. They would not have the manpower to patrol if the hours were changed to 2:00 a.m. but would be able to handle it if the hours were changed to 1:00 a.m.

Cherry Alger stated she would like the option to stay open because of pool leagues.

A representative from Project Extra Mile stated the extended hours would cause a greater risk of binge drinking among adults and youth. There would be a greater risk of motor vehicle accidents.

Jake Bauer a senior from Cozad High School presented statistics opposing the extended sale of alcohol.

Whiting moved, Kennedy Seconded, to change the hours of alcohol sales to 1:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 noon on Sunday. City Attorney will prepare the Ordinance change. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Fritch, Whiting. Nay – Strauser.

R J Parmenter attended the meeting for Terry Jessen with a request to not allow parking along Platte River Drive. He stated their concern was traffic flow and emergencies. He stated it needed to be clear for safety issues.

Discussion was had on placing a 'No Parking on Street' sign on the right of way on the south side of the curb. The City Attorney will draft a necessary Resolution.

Kennedy moved, Whiting seconded, approving the automatic renewal of liquor licenses:

Norm Lambertus - Bar-W Lounge	Class IB
R & C Petroleum dba Time Saver #18	Class B
Pizza Hut	Class A
Pete's Lounge	Class I
Walker's Steakhouse	Class IB
Lakeside Bowl	Class I
OK Bottle Shoppe	Class D
Pit Stop, Inc	Class B
Randazzle Cafe	Class I
China Cafe	Class A
Pamida	Class D

Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay - none.

Dr. Roger Dudley has sold his practice to Randy Burge. Burge has agreed to continue animal services for the City. Fritch moved, Strauser seconded, to authorized signature Boarding Agreement with Randy Burge. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay – none.

Kennedy moved, Fritch seconded, to allow OK Bottle Shoppe's request for special designated license for Horizon Ag event on March 4, 2011. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay – none.

Strauser moved, Kennedy seconded approval of Drawdown #17 for \$8,595 on the Owner Occupied Housing project, and payment to contractor Mark Davis. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Fritch, Strauser, Whiting. Nay – none.

Strauser moved, Whiting seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Fritch, Whiting, Strauser. Nay - none. The next regular meeting will be March 1, 2011.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor	Sandy Smith, Recorder