

Present: Mayor –	Joyce Hudson
Council members	Jeff Kennedy
	Tim Strauser
	Jeff Whiting
City Administrator	Bruce Clymer
City Attorney	Mike Bacon
City Clerk / Treasurer	Connie L. Dalrymple

Press: *Gothenburg Times* - Beth Barrett

Also present: Ginger Featherngill of WCNDD, Pastor Bill Ivey, Joe Richeson, Craig Finke, Chris Wolf, Delon Wilson and others of Cubby's II, Lynnette Stevens, Randy Waskowiak

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting and public hearings 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.

Cubby's II has submitted two applications for Class D liquor licenses. Class D licenses allow for the off-premises sale of beer, wine, and spirits in the original package. One license is for Cubby's Express, formerly the Shell Plaza at 416 Platte River Dr. and the other for Cubby's Truck Plaza, formerly Pit Stop at 301 S. Lake Avenue. The Clerk did not receive any comments or questions prior to the hearing.

Kennedy moved, Whiting seconded, to close the hearing for Cubby's Express at 7:03 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea- Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Whiting moved, Kennedy seconded, to recommend to the Liquor Control Commission the issuance of a Class D license to Cubby's II doing business as Cubby's Gothenburg Express D-107598. Roll call vote: Yea – Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay- none.

The public hearing on the Cubby's Truck Plaza liquor license was taken up immediately.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded, to close the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Strauser, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded, to recommend to the Liquor Control Commission the issuance of a Class D license to Cubby's II doing business as Cubby's Gothenburg Truck Plaza D-107597. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting Strauser, Kennedy. Nay – none.

The public hearing on an application for Owner Occupied Housing Community Development Block Grant was taken up at 7:05 p.m. According to Ginger Featherngill of West Central Nebraska Development District the grant requests \$155,000 funding for rehabilitation of five homes for homeowners at 80% of low – moderate income.

We had previously applied for funding through the Nebraska Trust Funds but awards will not be announced until July. We will miss the CDBG application deadline if we wait to hear on the first application. Trust funds have \$8 million dollars for their grant and there was \$19 million requested in applications.

Strauser moved, Kennedy seconded, to close the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Kennedy, Strauser. Nay – none.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded, authorizing signature of the Community Development Block Grant application and Program Guidelines relative to the application for \$155,000 Owner Occupied Housing rehabilitation funds. Roll call vote: Yea - Whiting, Strauser, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Whiting moved, Strauser seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

- City Council minutes – June 3
- Police Report – May
- Treasurer's Report - May

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

Kennedy moved, Whiting seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$50,646.40; Public Works Division \$358,283.42; and the June 5 payroll of \$39,756.44. Roll Call vote: Yea – Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Community Comments

- Notice has been received from the Dawson County Clerk that the West Ward polling location will be moved from City Hall to the United Methodist Church for the November election. Parking is easier at the church and the election will not conflict with City Council and Planning & Zoning meetings at City Hall.

Pastor Bill Ivey of the 1st Baptist Church requested use of Ehmen Park for a family event open to the community on August 3 that will include noon lunch, jump houses, and games. The past couple years they have held the event at their church but the possibility of a car show would make the park an easier location. If the car show becomes reality, they would like to block part of Avenue F in anticipation of 10 – 15 cars.

Discussion was had and Council would prefer to avoid the necessity of detours on a busy street, blocking 15th Street would be better than Avenue F. The City will provide barricades and the church members will set them up and take them down.

Kennedy moved, Whiting seconded, to allow the request from 1st Baptist Church for use of Ehmen Park on August 3 from noon to 3:00 p.m. They will also be allowed to close 15th Street from Lake Avenue to Avenue F for a car show. Roll call vote: Yea – Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay – none.

If approved, an interlocal agreement with nine communities will allow application for a grant under the NE Municipal Energy Alliance for an electric vehicle. Hopefully the school will pay the \$1000 individual assessment because they will get the use of the vehicle.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded, authorizing signature of the Nebraska Community Energy Alliance Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for an electric vehicle. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Strauser, Kennedy. Nay – none.

The Central NE Seed & Chemical building at 1314 8th Street extends seven feet onto airport property. They currently have a 30 year lease on the property at \$100 / year and owner Craig Finke is interested in trading that parcel for an equivalent parcel on the west side of the property.

According to Atty. Bacon the property is leased because the City holds title. He thinks the property is worth less than \$5000 therefore we can post notice to sell and Finke can offer a sealed bid, as can anyone else. The City can reject any or all bids. The City can then sell the parcel by ordinance.

Whiting moved, Strauser seconded to pass and approve Resolution 2014-9 authorizing disposition of the property near Highway 30 and the airport. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Strauser, Whiting. Nay – none.

Council meeting dates are the first and third Tuesday, July being the 1st and 15th but there will not be a quorum on those days. Following discussion, Strauser moved, Kennedy seconded, to change the July meeting dates to the 8th and 22nd. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Kennedy, Strauser. Nay – none.

The Gothenburg Improvement Company will sponsor a community celebration on Wednesday, June 25th when an announcement will be made affecting the entire community. On behalf of the GIC Joe Richeson asked Council's approve for a public fireworks display.

Kennedy moved, Whiting seconded, approval of a public fireworks display on June 25, subject to the approval of the Fire Chief. Roll call vote: Yea – Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Whiting moved, Strauser seconded, authorizing signature of a contract with Miller & Assoc. to oversee construction of the Lake Helen rehabilitation. Costs will be an hourly rate not to exceed \$35,000 and include work already completed in the permitting process. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Strauser, Whiting. Nay – none.

The City Maintenance Facility has had a leaking roof for several years. The original contractors sealed it with tar, and Weathercraft Roofing has resealed it. Now it leaks in several areas except the offices and the insulation gets wet so Shane has contacted Tillotson Enterprises of Kearney. Two options were presented:

- #1 results in a 10 year leak free material and labor warranty with a 15 year life expectancy for \$26,864.00.
- #2 results in a 12 year leak free material and labor warranty with a 20 year life expectancy for \$30,096.00.

Both option warranties are renewable if an inspection reveals leakage during the initial warranty term.

Administrator Clymer contacted NSG and they have been very happy with the product, the company, and the results on their building at 520 10th Street.

Questions asked were if the warranty is with the company or the product manufacturer and if hail affects the roof. There is insulation value in the product and the rubber product does not allow hail penetration but those questions will be asked of the company before the matter is placed on the July 8 agenda.

The cost of providing electric service to the new cell tower west of town is estimated to be \$5430.60. As we have done on other projects outside corporate limits, we are asking the Horvath Company to pay 75% of the cost through a facility recovery agreement. The cost would be added incrementally to their monthly electric bill over a five year period. Horvath Co agreed to the cost and sent a payment for the full recovery charge of \$4072.95, thereby eliminating the need for monthly payments.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded approving the facility recovery agreement with Horvath Towers, LLC. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Strauser, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Strauser moved, Kennedy seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Strauser, Kennedy. Nay – none. The next regular meeting will be July 8, 2014.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Connie L. Dalrymple, City Clerk