June 21, 2016 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
Deputy City Clerk Brandi Kloepping

Press: Gothenburg Times - Deb Egenberger

Also present: Shane Gruber, Nate Wyatt, Rick Zarek, Colten Venteicher

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting and public hearing 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.

The purpose of the public hearing was to consider changing the City's one mile extra-territorial jurisdiction. The jurisdiction is currently a radius of the community which makes the territorial line uneven and it's difficult to determine if some areas are city or county jurisdiction when considering building permits. The proposed jurisdiction limits would follow section lines clarifying the boundaries for the County and the City.

The Planning & Zoning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed change; however, recent legislation requires us to notify the County of any proposed changes in extra-territorial jurisdiction that would affect County jurisdiction. Therefore, that public hearing was held open pending approval from the County. This hearing will also have to be held open until after the July 12 Planning & Zoning Commission meeting when they will make recommendation to the City Council.

The public hearing on revision of the one-mile extra-territorial jurisdiction was held open until July 19.

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

City Council minutes – June 7 Treasurer's Report – May

Planning & Zoning Commission minutes – June 14

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

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$74,472.07; Public Works Division \$329,037.12; and the June 16 payroll of \$43,094.08. Roll Call vote: Yea – Janssen, Waskowiak, Kennedy, Richeson. Nay - none.

Atty. Bacon met with William Ellis on Monday and gave him a list of items for rehabilitation of the house at 1112 17th Street. By Monday, Mr. Ellis is to either provide a timeline for completion of each item, or a decision to sell or demolish the property. He understands that if he does not provide the information or meet his timeline, the matter will go to court.

Dawson County is preparing bids for 2017 asphalt projects and provided estimates on the cost of four projects in Gothenburg:

Avenue L. from Highway 30 to 12th Street - Estimated Cost - \$149,000

Estimate Includes: Class 1 Milling of Existing Road.

3" Asphalt Overlay

Adjusting Manholes to Grade

Shoulder Construction Seeding & Mulching Permanent Striping

27th Street, From Highway 47 to Avenue M – estimated Cost - \$145,500

Estimate Includes: Milling 1-1/2" off of existing surfacing.

Laying back 2" of new asphalt.

Permanent Striping.

Estimate Excludes: Any Driveway Lugouts or Mailbox Turnouts. (Mainline Roadway Only).

27th Street, from Highway 47 west & south to the Gothenburg Canal – Estimated Cost - \$75,000

Estimate Includes: 2" Asphalt Overlay (20' +/- on E-W portion, 16' +/- on N-S portion)

Shoulder Construction. Seeding & Mulching.

4th Street, from Lake Avenue west to the RR Spur Crossing – Estimated Cost \$103,500

Estimate includes: Milling 1-1/2" off of the east 500' +/- only

2" Asphalt Overlay Adjust Manholes to Grade Shoulder Construction Seeding & Mulching

Estimate Excludes all intersections and drives. (Includes matching all I & D with tapered Lugouts as necessary.) All estimates include engineering costs. All estimates are assuming that the project is bid in conjunction with the Dawson County "2017 Asphalt Resurfacing" Project.

Including City streets with the County bid will lower the City's costs but the City will have a separate contract with the Contractor for our share. We could bond the cost over 10 years and include paving.

Council member Richeson suggested we look at including the area behind McDonald's which also has drainage issues. Administrator Clymer said we can include the area in the bidding process and then decide if we want to go forward with it.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to move forward with Dawson County bidding the asphalt projects, as proposed, including the road behind McDonald's. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Waskowiak, Richeson, Janssen. Nay – none.

Rick Zarek spoke to Council representing the Gothenburg Improvement Co. and supporting the RDA's interest in providing lots for new housing. The goal is to grow the City and that cannot be done without homes. Recent years have seen construction of nine spec houses, three duplexes, and some private homes and now only five lots remain in the RDA Subdivision. Providing paving and infrastructure to the 24th Place cul-de-sac would add six more lots. It would be expensive but would be the cheapest lots we can get. A new subdivision is costly. He also supports the RDA in requesting paving Avenue J south of 27th Street.

RDA Chairman Nate Wyatt said that according to studies, a house lasts 100 years. We're seeing inventory fall off without replacement. It's difficult to continue economic development and recruitment when housing is such a challenge.

Since the design is already in place for both the cul-de-sac and Ave J, the next step forward is to establish paving districts. Atty. Bacon will contact the bond attorney and bring an ordinance creating the paving districts to an upcoming meeting.

Shane and Kristen Butterfield want to purchase the building at 705 20th Street, immediately east of their home. Since it's an accessory use structure, they have requested a Contiguous Lot Agreement to combine the two lots per zoning regulations without creating a new subdivision thru the Administrative Replat process. Their intent is to use the building for storage but if, at some point, thy use it to store parts for resale they will be required to file for a special use permit.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, approval of the Contiguous Parcel Agreement requested by Shane and Kristin Butterfield. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. Nay - none.

The Downtown Revitalization Community Development Block Grant expires June 30 but the beautification of the northeast corner of Highway 47 and 30 is not complete. The project was delayed due to difficulty finding a contractor. An extension to November 19 will allow us to finish it.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, approving a request to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development to extend the Downtown Revitalization Community Development Block Grant contract 13-DTR-101 to November 19, 2016. Roll call vote: Yea - Waskowiak, Janssen, Richeson, Kennedy. Nay – none.

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Janssen, Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy. Nay –	none. The next regular meeting will be July 5, 2016.
Joyce Hudson, Mayor	Connie L. Dalrymple, City Clerk