

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

Also present: Shane Gruber, Shawn Boyd, Kent Kline, Deb Weidman.

Mayor Hudson opened the public hearings and 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.

The public hearing on a request for a special use permit #146 from the Gothenburg Senior Citizen's Center to build an aluminum can recycle shed at 410 20th Street was taken up at 7:00 p.m. Administrator Clymer said it will be a stick built 10x10 shed with a shingle roof next to existing buildings. The Planning & Zoning recommended approval and the mayor waived the fee.

Kennedy moved, Waskowiak seconded, to close the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay – None.

Kennedy moved, Waskowiak seconded, to approve SUP #146 to build an aluminum can recycle shed at 410 20th Street. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Janssen, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay – None.

The public hearing on a request for a special use permit #147 from Deb Weidman to build a 24x24 with 8ft walls two garage door, one walk in door metal building. Planning & Zoning recommended approval. It is not attached to the house and stick built costs significantly more than the metal building. Accessory use should be the same materials as the house or area. Council members were concerned about all the street view.

Kennedy moved, Waskowiak seconded, to close the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay – None.

Council asked Weidman to look into eaves and wood siding versus metal siding. No action was taken.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, approving the consent agenda with the exception of the November Planning & Zoning minutes that included:

- City Council minutes – November 7
- Planning & Zoning minutes – October 10
- Building permits report – October
- Treasurer's Report - October
- Library Director's Report – September 19 – November 13

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

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$44,689.69; Public Works Division \$379,263.25; and the October 18 payroll of \$36,578.11, November 1 payroll of \$34,252.69, November 15 payroll of \$33,258.36. Roll call vote: Yea –Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. Nay – none.

Community Comments:

- Parker closing the Baldwin plant is a huge loss to our community. GIC, DAD, Chamber, City and others are hoping to keep members in the community. It is an 8% loss in revenue to the electrical fund. It may or not be a loss due to Maschoff's working to add some equipment so that might help with some of the loss of revenue. Parker was a good load for the City.
- Solar panels are up and we hope to have them connected to power by the end of the year. We won't have all the equipment but will have power.

Hi-gain is buying property from Runza and wants to make a subdivision.

Waskowiak moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the Hi-gain subdivision as designed. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen, Waskowiak. Nay – None.

Wahlgren subdivision would make two small lots under 12,000 sq ft. and one of them would be under 85 ft frontage. This doesn't fit in the R-1 zone that was adopted for new expansion of community but these are adequate to other areas in town. The 30 ft lot owned by the City would be left as is, they don't want to close the alley.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the Wahlgren subdivision as designed. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Waskowiak, Janssen, Kennedy. Nay – None.

The planning contract in regard to splash pads and pool improvements with Miller & Associates was not discussed and moved to the next meeting.

Discussion on a new park mower was taken up. The Grasshopper mower would have high lift dump to be able to dump into dump trucks, it would take time out to put the mulch kit on and cost approximately \$25,950.00. The John Deere bagger mower has mulch and you use a lever to switch it over and would be easier to turn due to the deck being underneath and cost approximately \$25,406.00. With the John Deere we would need a trailer to dump grass in and then they could pull the mower on the trailer also costing approximately \$8,475.00. This is not in the budget, but a pickup was so we will use that instead. The trailer is needed so they don't have to dump on the street and get other equipment to pick up the grass and the trailer can be used for other things.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the John Deere mower and dump trailer. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. Nay – None.

Kennedy moved, Waskowiak seconded, to approve Certification for Mayor, West City Council member, and East City Council member. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy. Nay – None.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Resolution 2017-13 authorizing Interim Financing for water system on west-side utilities. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Kennedy, Waskowiak, Richeson. Nay – None.

The EDA is making sure Council is for these resolutions before they try for the grant.

Richeson moved, Waskowiak seconded, to approve Resolution 2017-14 for SRF funding for sanitary sewer improvements for west-side utilities. Roll call vote: Janssen, Kennedy, Waskowiak, Richeson. Nay – None.

Install heating system in the west end of the city shop was removed and not discussed.

Waskowiak moved, Kennedy seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Kennedy, Waskowiak. Nay – none. The next regular meeting will be December 5.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Brandi Kloepping, City Clerk