

City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers

June 20, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor –	Joyce Hudson	Not present - City Attorney	Mike Bacon
Council members	Jeff Kennedy	Council Member	Randy Waskowiak
	Verlin Janssen		
	Jay Richeson		
City Administrator	Bruce Clymer		
City Clerk / Treasurer	Brandi Kloepping		

Press: *Gothenburg Times* - Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Attorney Colten Venteicher, Shane Gruber, Sean Sabin, Becky Jobman, Rakesh Pai.

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.

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

City Council Minutes – June 6 & 13

Treasurer's Report – May

Building Permits Report – May

Roll call vote: Yea - Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City \$135,212.13; Public Works Division \$335,228.81; and the June 14 payroll of \$36,076.73. Roll call vote: Yea - Janssen, Richeson, Kennedy. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Community Comments:

- Central Platte Natural Resources District has a grant for a tree program that the City can apply for every three years to get \$5,000.00 to use over five years. The thought is to apply to get extra funding to push some of the tree planting ahead in the next three years.

The next Council meeting is supposed to be July 4th, since it is a holiday, Council will meet on June 27th for a Retreat and then regular schedule on July 18th.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve a contiguous lot agreement for Jack Kniss to build a garage. Roll call vote: Yea - Richeson, Janssen, Kennedy. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Sean Sabin discussed the plans for The Crossing Fellowship's plan to use Ehmen Park for Family Fun Day on Sunday, July 30.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, that The Crossing Fellowship provide additional trash containers, stake the bouncy houses if needed and not have pony rides. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Richeson introduced Ordinance # 942 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A LOAN FROM A BANK TO THE CITY, EVIDENCED BY A PROMISSORY NOTE, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$715,000) TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING CERTAIN STREET AND OTHER NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE CITY; PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND FORM OF SUCH LOAN AND PROMISSORY NOTE; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF THE INTEREST ON AND PRINCIPAL OF SUCH LOAN AND PROMISSORY NOTE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND RELATED MATTERS.

and moved that statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. The motion was seconded by Council member Janssen. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Janssen, Richeson. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak. Mayor Hudson declared the motion adopted by three fourths vote of the Council and the statutory rule suspended for consideration of said ordinance. The ordinance was then read by the title whereupon Council member Kennedy moved for final passage and Council member Richeson seconded the motion.

Mayor Hudson asked the question “*Shall Ordinance #942 be passed and adopted?*” Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Kennedy. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Mayor Hudson declared Ordinance #942 adopted and signed it in the presence of the Council and the Clerk attested the signature.

Discussion on the unsafe building at 501 S Lake Avenue – Travel Inn was taken up. The exterior has been brought into safe conditions and there is a meeting tomorrow with the State Fire Marshall. Rakesh wants to make the building into a partial storage area and the other part a recreation area. Council would like him to keep moving forward and bring it into full compliance.

1st State Bank wants to provide a lunch for the solar eclipse at Lake Helen on August 21st. Council asked that they provide the additional trash cans.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to appoint Marty Ziembra as a fireman. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Janssen, Kennedy. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Pay Request #5 Final for 4th Street Drainage to Adams Civil Resources for \$49,648.30. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Change order #4 Final for 4th Street Drainage to Adams Civil Resources for \$3,269.89. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Janssen, Kennedy. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for 4th Street Drainage to Adams Civil Resources. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Discussion of Travel Inn’s request to extend time in regard to nuisance was taken up. There was an appeal from the Board of Health and at that time everything was taken care of except a large sign. Rakesh said a company would be coming through the area to relocate the sign to the backside of the motel or take it completely if they have the right equipment. Council said that it needs to be moved before July 15th.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Pay Request #3 for 2017 Asphalt Resurfacing to Paulsen Inc. for \$70,719.53. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Kennedy, Richeson. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve a consent agreement regarding NPPD refurbishment of 115 KV line. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Dawson Area Development is without staff as of June 30th and the City is expecting Release of Funds on the contract therefore, would like to withdraw from the DAD contract.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve withdrawal from DAD Contract for Administrative Service regarding NDED No. 16-HO-33067. Roll call vote: Yea- Janssen, Richeson, Kennedy. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Gothenburg Memorial Hospital would like to apply for \$300,000.00 REDLG loan for a women’s health package to include a new mammography machine and 3D upgrade. It is mostly software rather than hardware so they can get everything delivered before the end of September. We are currently trying to use the reuse money so it will be put on the retreat agenda on June 27th.

Richeson moved, Janssen seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Janssen, Richeson. Nay – None. Absent and not voting: Waskowiak.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Brandi Kloepping, City Clerk