August 17, 2021 5:30 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting City Council Chambers

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Not Present: Verlin Janssen

Mayor

Joyce Hudson

Council Members

Jeff Kennedy J Buddenberg Jay Richeson

City Administrator

Gary Greer

City Clerk

Misty Bussinger

City Attorney

Mike Bacon

Press: Gothenburg Leader - Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Doug Swanson-Building Inspector, Leroy Scott, Noah Dea-Parks Director

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting at 5:30 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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A public hearing was opened at 5:31 for the Special Use Permit #164-Leroy Scott.

Leroy Scott discussed Special Use Permit #164 to build a private shop and set storage container in an R-3 Zone located at 210 4th Street.

After no further discussion, Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:38 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea -Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No - none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve Special Use Permit # 164 to build a private shop and set storage container in an R-3 Zone located at 210 4th Street. Roll call vote: Yea -Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No - none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Council Minutes – August 3

Police Report - July

Approve Application for Payment #4 – Blessing Construction - \$142,653.40 – 2020 Street Improvements 126-A1-038.

Approve payment of \$1,636.11 to Gothenburg Improvement Company Authority for Curbtender Interest.

Approve payment of \$3,000.00 to Community Redevelopment Authority for GIC REDLG Loan.

Treasurer Report - July

Library Annual Statistical Report – July

Planning & Zoning minutes – August 10

Building Permits- July

Roll call vote: Yea -Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No - none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against for the General Fund \$634,279.80; Enterprise Fund \$417,655.37; August 11 payroll of \$50,293.56 and Payroll Transmittal of \$21,683.82. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Claims Codes: Bu-Building Upkeep, Eq-Equipment, Ex-Expense, Ma-Maintenance, Mi-Mileage, Misc-Miscellaneous, Re-Repairs, Se-Service, Su-Supplies, Ut-Utilities, CI-Capital Improvement, GU-Grounds Upkeep, Reim-Reimbursement, Tax-Tax, Ps-Personnel, Du-Dues.

General Fund Claims: Kathy Nelson \$100.00 Reim; ALLO COMMUNICATIONS LLC \$72.64 Ut; CAPITOL PROJECTS \$419,764.92 Reim; Cardmember Service \$1,832.18 Se, Ex, Eq, Re, Misc, Su; DAWSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS \$32.00 Ex; DreamShare Productions LLC \$862.50 Se; EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC \$275.35 Su; Heartland Clerk's Association \$10.00 Du; HOEHNER TURF IRRIGATION II \$125,000.00 CI; HORIZON AG \$8.00 Su; INGRAM BOOK COMPANY \$583.29 Su; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL / FARM PLAN \$1,575.05 Re, Su; KIRK'S TRENCHING & SEPTIC SERVICE \$250.00 Se; LIBRARY \$44.61 Su; Motorola Solutions, Inc \$48,508.72 Eq; POWERPLAN \$111.78 Re; Stephanie Ostergard \$124.32 Reim; SYNCB / AMAZON \$44.09 Su; CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT ACH \$300.00 Reim; HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS \$805.02 Ps; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$7.00 Tax; ARAMARK \$107.78 Se; BACON, VINTON, & VENTEICHER LLC \$453.26 Se; Black Hills Energy \$113.79 Ut; BRODART CO. \$9.216.90 Se; CASELLE, INC. \$310.00 Se; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$3,499.45 Ex, CI; Crown Services \$1,000.00 Se; CUBBY'S CORPORATE OFFICE \$67.61 Ex; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$299.37 Se; DOLLAR GENERAL \$9.95 Misc; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$508.48 Su, Ex; FIVE STAR FLOORING \$125.29 Su; GOTHENBURG IRRIGATION \$115.80 CI; Gothenburg Leader \$398.36 Se; GOTHENBURG TIMES \$392.72 Se; GOTHENBURG TIRE & SERVICE \$1,104.96 Re, Ma; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$1,124.47 Ma, Su, CI, Re; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$118.52 Tax; JOHNNY ON THE SPOT KIRK'S TRENCHING & \$140.00 Se; MARK BALLMER MOWING \$240.00 Se; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC \$955.00 Ex, Se; PAULSEN INC \$695.25 Re, Su; PAVEMENT REPAIR & SUPPLIES, INC \$2,049.00 Su; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$95.77 Ex; Pinpoint Communications \$550.37 Ut; PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS \$1,502.92 Re; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$6,277.32 Ut; Quadient Finance USA, Inc \$1,000.00 Ex; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$150.52 Re; TRYON WELDING \$39.20 Su; VISION CARE DIRECT \$656.64 Ps; YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE \$649.63 Ps.

Enterprise Fund Claims: CARDMEMBER SERVICE\$507.24 CI, Su, Ex; DREAMSHARE PRODUCTIONS LLC \$2,587.50 Se; EUSTIS HEATING & COOLING \$75.00 Ma; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL/FARM PLAN \$201.23 Re, Ma; LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES \$2,106.00 Due; POWER PLAN \$1,186.98 Re; SERVI TECH, INC. \$128.15 Se; WARD ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. \$7,146.68 CI; ALL ANDERSON ELECTRIC \$512.50 CI; ARAMARK \$193.18 Se; BLACK HILLS ENERGY \$203.46 Ut; CASELLE, INC. \$858.00 Se; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$51,561.63 Reim; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$1,864.73 Ex; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$3,741.00 Ex; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$3,237.17 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$368.85 Su; GOTHENBURG LEADER \$319.50 Misc; GOTHENBURG TIRE & SERVICE \$124.50 Re; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$680.78 Ma; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO. \$119.04 Ma; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER \$323,350.04 Ut; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. \$124.59 Se; PAULSEN BUILDING & SUPPLY \$808.75 Ma; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$297.35 Ex; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$242.43 Ut; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$11,467.60 Ut; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$460.77 Re, Ex; SCHABEN SANITATION INC. \$807.45 Ex; T&R ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY INC. \$40.00 Ex; THE GOTHENBURG TIMES \$120.98 Misc; TRYON WELDING \$101.90 Ma; VISION CARE DIRECT \$60.46 Ps; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$1,636.56 Ma; YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE \$413.37 Ps.

Payroll Transmittal: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICES \$14,726.67 Ps; MASS MUTUAL \$6,617.00 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$372.47 Ps, Credit Management Servic \$86.20.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Bacon stated that Peterson's dba Fresh Seasons Market will open at new location August 18th at 7:00 a.m.

Greer stated we are expecting several thousand visitors for Livin Out Loud this weekend.

Greer stated the Employee Family Party is set for August 28th.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Doug Swanson-Building Inspector introduced the Proposed Preliminary Plat for Ostergard Subdivision.

After no further discussion Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Preliminary Plat for Ostergard Subdivision. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Doug Swanson-Building Inspector introduced the Final Plat for Ostergard Subdivision.

After no further discussion Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the Final Plat for Ostergard Subdivision. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Greer introduced the Resolution 2021-11 Amend Personnel Policies.

After no further discussion Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Proposed Preliminary Plat for Ostergard Subdivision. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

City Clerk Bussinger discussed the Class C Liquor License renewing are Bar W Lounge and Nebraska Barn and Grill.

After no further discussion Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve renewal of Class C Liquor Licenses. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Resolution 2021-12 Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form 2020. This form is done annually.

After no further discussion Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve Resolution 2021-12 Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form 2020. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Noah Dea-Parks Director discussed Resolution 2021-13 Acquisition or Development of Outdoor Recreation Grant. Dea stated this is a Land and Water grant we are applying for renovations and upgrades to parks.

After no further discussion Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Resolution 2021-13 Acquisition or Development of Outdoor Recreation Grant. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Mayor Hudson discussed appointment of new fireman Blake Ristine.

After no further discussion Kennedy moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve appointment of new fireman Blake Ristine. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Mayor Hudson discussed appointment of Travis Pieper to the Housing Authority.

After no further discussion Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve appointment Travis Pieper to the Housing Authority. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Attorney Mike Bacon discussed Resolution 2021-14 Forgiveness of Mann Hay Company Loan.

After no further discussion Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Resolution 2021-14 Forgiveness of Mann Hay Company Loan. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to enter into executive session at 5:54 p.m. for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Specifically, the subject matter and reason necessitating the executive session is to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried. Administrator Greer, Clerk Bussinger, Attorney Bacon will join the Mayor and Council.

The Mayor and Council reconvened in open session at 6:12 p.m. and stated that no action is necessary in conjunction with the closed session.

Buddenberg moved, Richeson seconded, to adjourn the meeting 6:13 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting- Janssen. Motion carried.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Misty Bussinger, City Clerk