Regular Council Meeting City Council Chambers

November 2, 2021 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Not Present: Jay Richeson

Mayor

Joyce Hudson

Council Members

Jeff Kennedy

J Buddenberg Verlin Janssen

City Administrator

Gary Greer

City Clerk

Misty Bussinger

City Attorney

Mike Bacon

Press: Gothenburg Leader - Ellen Mortensen

Gothenburg Times - Ashley Mohler

Also present: Noah Dea-Park Director, Deb Egenberger-Gothenburg Chamber, Gary Steele-Engineer

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda was 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:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Council Minutes - October 19

Police Report - October

Treasurer Report - October

Health Board Minutes - October 26

Park & Recreation Board Minutes - October 26

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

Approve payment of \$3,063.02 to Gothenburg Improvement Company Authority for Curbtender Project.

Approve payment of \$100,000.00 to Gothenburg Improvement Company Authority for LB840 USDA RDBG Project.

Approve payment of \$1,500.00 to Miller & Associates for OOR 18-HO-33071.

Approve Drawdown #1 for OOR 18-HO-33071.

Approve Payment of \$308.20 to Miller & Associates for 2020 Ave I Project 126-A1-038.

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

CLAIMS:

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, allowing payment of claims against for the General Fund \$11,895.82; Enterprise Fund \$107,177.85; November 3 payroll of \$50,290.70 and Payroll Transmittal of \$23,074.65. Roll call vote: Yea -Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen. No - None. Absent and not voting- Richeson. 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: ALLO COMMUNICATIONS LLC \$73.70 Se; ASSURITY LIFE INSURANCE CO \$358.51 Se; AT&T Mobility II LLC \$239.89 Se; Caroline Scott, CPA, LLC \$3,350.00 Se; Gary Greer \$250.00 Misc; Jason Meinke \$220.68 Reim; NEBRASKA CITY/COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOC \$520.00 Du; Nebraska Department of Agriculture \$356.24 Tax; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$39.95 Re; Samuel Golson \$12.16 Reim; Sharon Abbott \$15.00 Se; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$995.29 Ex, Se; Travis Miner \$11.42 Reim; CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT – ACH \$300.00 Reim; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$600.00 Se; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$53.59 Ut; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$484.38 Ex, Su; FRANZEN INC. \$111.25 Re, Se; HOMETOWN LEASING \$241.25 Ex; J.P. COOKE, CO \$129.20 Su; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$998.16 Se; NORTH PLATTE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$2,029.19 Se; Pinpoint Communications \$505.96 Se.

Enterprise Fund Claims: CAROLINE SCOTT, CPA, LLC \$3,350.00 Se; CREDIT MANAGEMENT \$199.04 Se; QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC. \$555.00 Ex; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$281.84 Ex; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$49,424.12 Reim; CORRPRO COMPANIES, INC. \$2,025.00 Ma; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$2,085.70 Se; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$374.07 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$165.19 Su; FRANZEN INC. \$304.85 Bu, Ma; GOTHENBURG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATIO \$720.00 Misc; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$9,380.34 Ci; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$349.27 Ut; SCHABEN SANITATION INC. \$34,722.05 Se; SCHABEN'S SANITATION-RECYCLING \$696.40 Se; STATE HEALTH LAB \$257.00 Se; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$2,287.98 Ma.

Payroll Transmittal: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICES \$15,314.24 Ps; MASS MUTUAL \$7,080.45 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$564.94 Ps; Credit Management Servic \$115.20.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer stated sales tax is up 20.6% year over year for August.

Greer stated the city hired Julie Gilg as Community Service Officer. She is a certified police officer, and she will start January 3rd.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Gary Steele-Engineer discussed Agreement for the Provision of Limited Professional Service with Miller & Associates for Gothenburg Industrial Park Preliminary Design and Layout. This agreement is an hourly agreement for the preliminary design and layout of the industrial park water, sewer, street, and electric.

After no further discussion Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Agreement for the Provision of Limited Professional Service with Miller & Associates for Gothenburg Industrial Park Preliminary Design and Layout. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen. No – None. Absent and not voting- Richeson. Motion carried.

Deb Egenberger-Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce discussed the approval of Real Estate Agreement with the Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is gifting a couple small lots and the city will then maintain.

After no further discussion Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, the approval of Real Estate Agreement with the Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen. No – None. Absent and not voting- Richeson. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed the approval of Resolution 2021-20 Determination that the Electoral Districts remain unchanged. The districts are determined every ten years and it has been determined that there will be no change.

After no further discussion Janssen moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve Resolution 2021-20 Determination that the Electoral Districts remain unchanged. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen. No – None. Absent and not voting- Richeson. Motion carried.

Greer stated the current caretakers for Lafayette Park will be retiring at the end of the year. Greer is asking the council to provide direction concerning Lafayette Park Caretaker position. Noah Dea discussed the benefits of having a caretaker. After no further discussion council determined to continue with a caretaker if possible. No motion.

Greer discussed the approval of Professional Service Agreement with Charlesworth Consulting LLC. This agreement is for consultation of the city property and casualty insurance. After reviewing they will take request for proposal and make recommendations.

After no further discussion Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Professional Service Agreement with Charlesworth Consulting LLC. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen. No – None. Absent and not voting- Richeson. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Janssen seconded, to adjourn the meeting 6:03 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen. No – None. Absent and not voting- Richeson. Motion carried.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor

Misty Bussinger, City Clerk