

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor
Council Members

Joyce Hudson
Jeff Kennedy
Verlin Janssen
Jay Richeson
J Buddenberg
Gary Greer
Jill Rubenthaler
Mike Bacon

Not Present:

Misty Bussinger

City Administrator
Deputy City Clerk
City Attorney

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen, *Gothenburg Times* – Ashley Mohler.

Also present: Shane Gruber-Services Director, Parks Director Noah Dea and son Dawson, Francis Linegar, Colten Venteicher, Matt Weiss, Will Rahjes, Mark Montgomery, Officer Matt Langley, Amanda Kordonowy.

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:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- a) Council Minutes – March 1
- b) Police Report - February
- c) Park & Recreation Minutes – February 22
- d) Treasurer Report - February
- e) Cemetery Board Reports – January 2022 – February 2022
- f) Approve Application for Payment #3 – Nielsen Contracting, LLC - \$87,650.10 – Infrastructure Development at the Crossing & Wakefield 126-A1-00
- g) Library Statistical Report - February
- h) Library Director's Report – January 11 through March 7
- i) Library Statistical Report – October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021

Roll call vote: Yea –Janssen, Kennedy, Richeson, Buddenberg. No – none. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against for the General Fund \$71,170.10; Enterprise Fund \$507,391.30; March 9 payroll of \$48,118.51 and Payroll Transmittals of \$22,464.97. Roll call vote: Yea –Janssen, Kennedy, Richeson, Buddenberg. No – none. 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 \$348.68 Se; Axon Enterprise, Inc \$375.00 Se; Cardmember Service \$352.18 Se; DAWSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS \$68.00 Se; Gary Greer \$1,364.91 Misc; Honey Bee Cleaning Services LLC \$214.00 Ex; INGRAM BOOK COMPANY \$440.29 Su; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL / FARM PLAN \$81.73 Ma;

LIBRARY \$85.02 Su; MID-PLAINS COMMUNITY COLLEGE \$600.00 Misc; NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRNG CTR \$150.00 Misc; NIELSEN CONTRACTING LLC \$45,578.05 Ci; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$244.99 Re; POWERPLAN \$773.88 Re; SYNCB / AMAZON \$104.66 Su; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$138.42 Se; TRI-CITY TRIBUNE \$63.00 Su; HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS \$951.87 Ps; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$7.60 Tax; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$10.65 Tax; ARAMARK \$57.06 Se; BACON, VINTON, & VENTEICHER LLC \$200.00 Se; Black Hills Energy \$199.21 Ut; CASELLE, INC. \$304.50 Se; Consolidated Management Co. \$329.62 Ex; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$4,492.46 Ex; Crown Services \$2,400.00 Se; CUBBY'S CORPORATE OFFICE \$31.27 Ex; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$226.20 Ut; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$61.25 Su; FASTENAL \$140.80 Su; FRANZEN INC. \$140.60 Ma; GOTHENBURG TIMES \$31.95 Su; GOTHENBURG TIRE & SERVICE \$24.00 Re; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$127.90 Ma; IDEAL LINEN \$59.12 Ma; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING COMPANY \$137.54 Su; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$1,742.93 Se; MITINET LIBRARY SERVICES \$329.00 Su; NewsBank \$993.00 Su; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC \$141.25 Se; PAULSEN INC \$94.50 Ma; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$25.75 Misc; Pinpoint Communications \$4.82 Se; PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS \$375.00 Re; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$4,863.65 Ut; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$322.12 Re; YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE \$1,261.67 Ps

Enterprise Fund Claims: ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$3.29 Ut; AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION \$77.00 Misc; CARDMEMBER SERVICE \$744.74 Misc; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL/FARM PLAN \$478.27 Ma; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. \$691.91 Ma; NIELSEN CONTRACTING LLC \$42,072.05 Ci; POWER PLAN \$340.32 Re; SERVI TECH, INC. \$128.15 Se; ARAMARK \$115.36 Se; BLACK HILLS ENERGY \$1,173.94 Ut; CASELLE, INC. \$913.50 Se; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$57,380.83 Reim; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$3,253.34 Ex; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$2,334.87 Se; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$3,242.51 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$285.96 Su; FASTENAL COMPANY \$741.10 Ma; FRANZEN INC. \$115.90 Ma; GOTHENBURG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION \$180.00 Misc; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$69.62 Ma; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO \$245.08 Ma; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$155.82 Se; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER \$306,566.49 Ut; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC. \$488.75 Eq; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. \$37.02 Se; PAULSEN BUILDING & SUPPLY \$808.75 Ma; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$604.42 Ex; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$182.41 Re; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$11,088.56 Ut; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$1,001.89 Re; SCHABEN SANITATION INC. \$36,478.57 Se; SCHABEN'S SANITATION-RECYCLING \$726.60 Se; T&R ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY INC. \$14,414.00 Ci; TITAN MACHINERY \$1,625.39 Eq; TRYON WELDING \$64.00 Re; USA BLUEBOOK \$665.37 Ma; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$17,895.52 Ma

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$14,319.88 Ps; MASS MUTUAL FINANCIAL \$7,573.47 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$327.24 Ps; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES \$115.02 Ps; PORFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATION \$129.36 Ps

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer reported the City Cemetery now has lot markers.

Greer reported that February sales taxes are up 20.9%.

Greer reported that 2 new flashing stop signs were installed at the corner of 12th Street Avenue I.

Greer reported that Gwen Gundell has been hired as the new Billing Clerk. Tara Hite will transition into the HR Coordinator.

Greer reported that Nielson Construction will soon be replacing street in the Crossing & Wakefield.

Mark Montgomery introduced himself to the assembly as a candidate for Dawson County Sheriff.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Francis Linegar requested permission to hold the annual Walk for Life to benefit the Women's Resource Center.

Janssen moved; Kennedy seconded, to approve the April 30th Walk for Life event to start and finish at Ehmen Park. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Janssen, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – none. Motion carried.

Matt Weiss shared information on the Pony Express Station. 2021 visitors totaled 22,543. Three new exhibits are to be added. Weiss has applied to get the Pony Express Station on the National Register of Historic Buildings. As there was no contract to approve this year, there were no motions made.

Dea spoke of the hay bids on City properties. He reported that only 1 bid was submitted: Chris Healey.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded to approve the five-year 2022-2026 Hay Bid from Chris Healey. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen, Richeson. No – none. Motion carried.

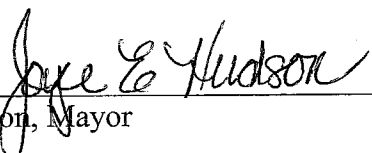
Office Langley introduced and recommended Amanda Kordonowy for the new Community Service Office position. After no further discussion, Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the appointment of Kordonowy as the Community Service Officer. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen, Richeson. No – none. Motion carried.

Greer asked that Ordinance 1007 Nuisance Ordinance Revised be removed from the agenda and moved to the April 5 agenda.

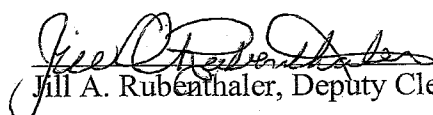
The discussion of a purchase of a lamp sleeve kit for the UVL system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant was taken up next. Gruber recommended that it be purchased from MC2 as the current one is old and has lost efficiency.

After no further discussion Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded to purchase the lamp sleeve kit from MC2 at a cost of \$11,142.75. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Janssen, Richeson. No – none. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Janssen seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Kennedy, Richeson, Buddenberg. No – none. Motion carried.



Joyce Hudson, Mayor



Jill A. Rubenthaler, Deputy Clerk