

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor
Council Members

Will Rahjes
Jeff Kennedy
J Buddenberg
Jay Richeson
Verlin Janssen
Mike Bacon
Gary Greer
Misty Bussinger

Not Present:

City Attorney
City Administrator
City Clerk

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Shane Gruber-Building & Facilities Director, Doug Swanson-Building Inspector, Noah Dea-Park Director, Gary Smith, Teresa Smith, Shiloh Schultz, Dan Urman, Charles McGraw, Dan Butterfield and Linda Butterfield.

Mayor Rahjes 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, Kennedy seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

City Council minutes -January 17
Community Redevelopment Authority Minutes- January 24
Police Report – January
Treasurer Report-January

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

CLAIMS:

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, allowing payment of claims against for the General Fund \$32,852.04; Enterprise Fund \$126,556.93 January 17 payroll of \$6,096.74, January 25 payroll of \$55,533.64 and February 8 payroll of \$62880.10; and Payroll Transmittals of \$120,283.51. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. 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 \$303.53 Ut; ASSURITY LIFE INSURANCE CO \$422.25 Ps; AT&T Mobility II LLC \$532.02 Ut; CARD SERVICES \$1,013.19 Misc, Ma, Su; DEMORET LOCK \$40.79 Ma; Gary Greer \$1,796.63 Misc, Ex; HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS \$1,021.03 Ps; NANA'S COUNTRY KITCHEN \$80.00 Misc; STERICYCLE, INC. \$148.07 Misc; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$275.73 Su; ARAMARK \$98.40 Se; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$600.00 Se; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$49.99 Ut; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$261.61 Ex, Su; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT \$2,033.55 Bu; FRANZEN INC \$30.75 Bu; FYR-TEK \$88.86 Su; GOTHENBURG IRRIGATION

\$400.20 Re; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$347.79 Ma, Re; HINTON LOCK & ALARM \$4,861.00 Bu; HOMETOWN LEASING \$186.49 Ex; IDEAL LINEN \$72.18 Se; MID-STATES ORGANIZED CRIME INFO CTR \$100.00 Ex; NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN \$11,171.73 Ma; NORTH PLATTE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$3,250.00 Se; PAULSEN INC \$150.87 Ma; Pinpoint Communications \$487.06 Ut; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$53.31 Re; RECOGNITION UNLIMITED \$128.71 Misc; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$317.24 Su, Ma, Re; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$736.13 Ex, Su; TAPCO \$1,114.92 Misc; TIM LAUER \$318.01 Reim; CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT – ACH \$360.00 Reim.

Enterprise Fund Claims: ABPA REGION 12 \$360.00 Ex; ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$238.23 Ut; AT & T MOBILITY II LLC \$175.53 Ut; CARD SERVICES \$3,833.42 Misc, Ma; DEMORET LOCK \$122.39 Ma; MEAD LUMBER \$459.98 Re; SERVI TECH, INC. \$168.00 Se; STATE OF NEBRASKA \$468.06 Reim; STERICYCLE, INC. \$148.08 Misc; ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. \$363.02 Su; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$1,543.93 Eq, Su, Bu; ARAMARK \$211.41 Se; BORDER STATES \$664.30 Gu; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$56,405.59 Reim, Ps; COZAD SERVICES, INC. \$723.21 Ma; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$2,514.90 Reim; DULTMEIER SALES LLC \$1,661.75 CI; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$7,803.40 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$25.10 Su; ESSENTIAL SCREENS \$85.00 Se; FRANZEN INC. \$842.50 Ma, Bu; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$529.18 Ma; HINTON'S LOCK & ALARM \$5,000.00 Bu; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO. \$119.04 Ma; MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL \$1,007.60 Ma; MID-IOWA SOLID WASTE EQUIPMENT CO \$483.87 Re; MIKE PETERS \$309.07 Ps; MUNICIPAL LIGHT & WATER \$125.00 Ma; NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN \$569.40 Gu; NEBTECH CALIBRATION \$173.92 Re; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. \$12.00 Misc; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$103.90 Ut; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$266.59 Re; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$470.23 Re, Ma, Su; SCHABEN SANITATION INC. \$36,429.96 Reim; SCHABEN'S SANITATION-RECYCLING \$725.34 Reim; STATE HEALTH LAB \$392.00 Se; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$55.50 Su; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$966.53 Gu.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$43,563.96 Ps; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$27,945.75 Ps; AFLAC \$620.24 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$1,389.26 Ps; Healthcare MMKT \$23,883.48; Healthcare MMKT Sidefund \$19,429.20; South Dakota Division of C 181.85 Ps; Healthcare Cafeteria \$2,603.08 Ps; Gothenburg United Fund \$77.00 Ps; Credit Management Servis \$589.01 Ps.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer reminded council there is a meeting February 9th at 3:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers regarding the Gothenburg Airport.

Greer stated EDA loan was not approved at this time for the Phase II Extension of Industrial Tract.

Greer stated we received a contribution of \$3,671.00 from Public Alliance Community Energy.

Greer stated that there has been progress on the Wearparts building. The preconstruction hearing for the supportive infrastructure was conducted on February 2nd. The plan is to dewater next week, utilities to go in March 1 and project complete by July 1.

Greer stated the cost of snow removal so far this year has been \$15,349.27 this includes overtime, fuel and sand/salt slicer.

Greer reported on the monthly CSO Report for January. Unlicensed and inoperable vehicles 28 notices given 15 completed and 3 cited. Nuisances 6 notices given 7 completed and 0 cited.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Charles McGraw discussed Review, Discuss, and consider Resolution 2023-2 RYDE Transit Public Transportation Local Funding Match. This will be for \$1,400.00 for 2023-2024.

Richeson moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Resolution 2023-2 RYDE Transit Public Transportation Local Funding Match. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Gary & Teresa Smith discussed appeal on Unsafe Building located at 902 22nd Street. Gary Smith stated that he had planned to build new garage this upcoming summer and tear old one down. The council discussed having all items sighted in notice be complete by August 1, 2023.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to allow until August 1, 2023 to have all items sighted in notice be completed. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Bacon discussed Resolution No. 2023-1 Third Modification to Redevelopment Plan for 2021 Housing Project. This modification is to change the proposed sale price of \$40,000.00 to zero.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2023-1 Third Modification to Redevelopment Plan for 2021 Housing Project. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Mayor Rahjes discussed appointment of Chevas Shaw to the Housing Authority Board.

Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve appointment of Chevas Shaw to the Housing Authority Board. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Noah Dea discussed purchase of a John Deere Z930M Mower. This is a cemetery and park mower to replace an old mower that experienced engine failure. The mower was not in this year's budget and expenditures in other areas will have to be reduced to pay for the unit. Dea recommends purchase of bid from Landmark for \$13,000.00.

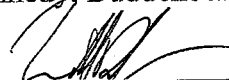
Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve purchase of a John Deere Z930M Mower from Landmark for \$13,000.00. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to enter into executive session at 5:48 p.m. for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried. Administrator Greer, Clerk Bussinger, Attorney Bacon joined the Mayor and Council.

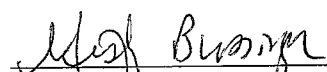
The purpose of the executive session is to evaluate job performance of a person(s).

The Mayor and Council reconvened in open session at 6:01 p.m.

Buddenberg moved, Richeson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:01 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.



Will Rahjes, Mayor



Misty Bussinger, City Clerk