

ROLL CALL:

| Present: | Not Present: |
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| Mayor | Will Rahjes |
| Council Members | Jeff Kennedy |
| | J Buddenberg |
| | Jay Richeson |
| | Verlin Janssen |
| Assistant City Attorney | Colten Venteicher |
| City Administrator | Gary Greer |
| City Clerk | Misty Bussinger |

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Dan Urman, Dawn Urman, Theresa Demoret, David Holl- Miller & Associates, Deb Egenberger, Shiloh Schultz, Lane Van Natta, Rebecca Stevens, Lori Zimmerman.

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:

A public hearing was opened at 5:30 for the Discontinuance of Community Development Block Grant Housing Program Income.

David Holl -Miller & Associates discussed the Discontinuance of Community Development Block Grant Housing Program Income. This will be the final stage to discontinue the program and any program income would need to be sent back to the state.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:35 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- a) Council minutes – March 21
- b) Council minutes – March 28
- c) Approve payment of \$4,097.70 from LB840 to Gothenburg Improvement Company for Curbtender Project.
- d) Approve payment of \$3,000.00 from LB840 to Gothenburg Improvement Company for GIC REDLG Loan.
- e) Approve payment of \$15,000.00 to Pony Express for management fee per contract.

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 \$52,258.83; Enterprise Fund \$64,462.08 April 5 payroll of \$50,881.30; and Payroll Transmittals of \$24,527.27. 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: ACE IRRIGATION & MFG. CO \$1,839.00 Ma; ALLO COMMUNICATIONS LLC \$343.65 Ut; ASSURITY LIFE INSURANCE CO \$397.25 Ps; BARCEL LANDSCAPE PRODUCTS, INC. \$1,970.00 Gu; DAWSON TIRE & WHEEL \$19.98 Re; GOTHENBURG ROTARY CLUB \$600.00 Misc; MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT \$120.00 Su; Misty Bussinger \$108.66 Reim; STERICYCLE, INC. \$152.61 Misc; TILLOTSON \$8,958.00 Bu; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$295.24 Bu, Su; ARAMARK \$123.22 Misc, Se; ARNOLD POOL COMPANY \$12,499.92 Ma; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$600.00 Se; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$45.27 Ut; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$264.20 Misc, Su; FRANZEN INC. \$27.05 Bu; FYR-TEK \$1,262.73 Su; Gary Greer \$500.00 Misc; GOTHENBURG PONY EXPRESS ASSOCIATION LLC \$15,000.00 Misc; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$1,551.53 Ma, Re, Su, Ex; HOMETOWN LEASING \$186.49 Ex; NMC EXCHANGE LLC \$812.40 Re; NORTH PLATTE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$3,250.00 Se; Pinpoint Communications \$441.26 Ut; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$147.03 Ex; TIM LAUER \$289.87 Ps; TK Elevator Corporation \$388.47 Se; TOP NOTCH AUTO & MOE'S GRAPHIX \$65.00 Ma.

Enterprise Fund Claims: ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$238.29 Ut; NEBRASKA DEPT OF ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY \$345.00 Ex; SERVI TECH, INC. \$168.00 Se; STERICYCLE, INC. \$152.60 Se; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$101.64 Su, Misc; ARAMARK \$233.10 Se; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$42,966.76 Reim; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$2,545.10 Se; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$697.41 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$463.01 Se, Su, Ex; FRANZEN INC. \$4.05 Re; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$676.13 Ex, Ma, Bu, Su; ITRON, INC. \$4,868.15 Se; MIDWEST CONNECT \$305.00 Su; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$138.97 CI; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$118.72 Ut; STATE HEALTH LAB \$297.00 Se; STUART C IRBY CO \$940.30 Ma, Eq; WEATHERCRAFT CO. OF N.P. \$2,615.00 Bu; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$6,587.85 Ma.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$15,563.14 Ps; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$7,897.31 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$694.63 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$181.85 Ps; Credit Management Servic \$190.34 Ps.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer stated the Police Department received \$775 to purchase new drug kits and Equipment to investigate vehicles with tinted windows.

Greer stated that students participated in the city service day at 1:00 p.m.

Greer stated that April 28th is Arbor Day and there will be a celebration at noon with state representatives attending.

Greer stated that there are new speed zone lights up near 12th and H to increase safety for children in the area.

Greer stated the CSO report for March for Unlicensed/Inoperable cars was 26 notices, 21 completed, 1 citation and for Nuisances was 52 notices, 35 completed, and 2 citations.

Greer stated that clean city will be June 10-18th this year.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Theresa Demoret discussed the Special Event Application to host Walk for Life event at Ehmén Park on May 6th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This is an annual event.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the Special Event Application to host Walk for Life event at Ehmén Park on May 6th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Deb Egenberger discussed the Special Event Application from Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce for use of Gothenburg Senior Center for Business after hours on May 24th. This senior center board already approved but since city owns building looking for approval.

Janssen moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve the Special Event Application from Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce for use of Gothenburg Senior Center for Business after

hours on May 24th. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Lane Van Natta discussed the Special Event Application from Gothenburg Fire Department for use of Lake Helen for firework show on July 4th. This is an annual event.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the Special Event Application from Gothenburg Fire Department for use of Lake Helen for firework show on July 4th. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Administrator Greer discussed Ordinance 1021 Amend Unlicensed or Inoperable Vehicle (Section 96.08). This amends section to refer to regarding penalties.

Clerk Bussinger read Ordinance 1021 Amend Unlicensed or Inoperable Vehicle (Section 96.08). AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IX, CHAPTER 96, AMENDING SECTION 96.08 OF THE GOTHENBURG CODE OF ORDINANCES; AMENDING PROVISIONS FOR UNLICENSED OR INOPERABLE VEHICLE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Richeson moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 1021 Amend Unlicensed or Inoperable Vehicle (Section 96.08). Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Administrator Greer discussed Ordinance 1022 Penalty-Chapter 96 Abandoned Vehicles. This changes the penalty schedule.

Clerk Bussinger read Ordinance 1022 Penalty-Chapter 96 Abandoned Vehicles. AN ORDINANCE TITLE IX, CHAPTER 96, ENACTING SECTION 96.99 OF THE GOTHENBURG CODE OF ORDINANCES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

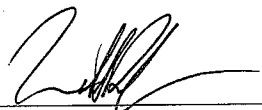
Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 1022 Penalty-Chapter 96 Abandoned Vehicles. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Mayor Rahjes discussed Liability Claim from Katherine Klein and that the process is for the city to send claim to the insurance company.

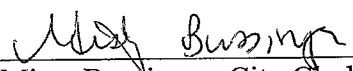
Administrator Greer discussed the 2023 Strategic Plan. This sets goals for the 2023-2024 budget.

Janssen moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve the 2023 Strategic Plan. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Richeson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.



Will Rahjes, Mayor



Misty Bussinger, City Clerk