

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor  
Council Members

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

Not Present:

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Shane Gruber-Building & Facilities Director, Alisa Mullen, Barb Nuxoll, Claire Edson, Jake Knauss, Kayla Knauss, and Roni McNally.

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, Richeson seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

- a) Council minutes -May 16
- b) Police Report – May
- c) Park & Recreation Board Minutes – May 17
- d) Approve payment of \$4,216.78 from LB840 to Gothenburg Improvement Company for Curbtender Project.
- e) Approve payment of \$3,000.00 from LB840 to Gothenburg Improvement Company for GIC REDLG Loan.
- f) Approve payment of \$250,000.00 from CDBG to Wearparts Tillage Tools LLC for SBDG Grant contract 23-01-147.
- g) Approve payment of \$140,261.25 from Debt Services to DTCC for Bond Notes A, C, F, G.
- h) Approve payment of \$9,754.00 to Flatwater Bank for Bond Note E.
- i) Approve payment from Reuse Fund for \$900.00 to Miller & Associates for ADA Ramp Project 126-A1-039. I

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

CLAIMS:

Kennedy moved, Buddenberg seconded, allowing payment of claims against for the General Fund \$67,314.96; Enterprise Fund \$348,458.45; May 31 payroll of \$60,289.27; and Payroll Transmittals of \$27,799.35. 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: JORGENSONS' SOD FARM, LLC. \$2,562.00 CI; ALLO COMMUNICATIONS LLC \$358.72 Ut; CARD SERVICES \$1,441.31 Ex, Su, Misc;

EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC \$348.18 Su; GALL'S LLC \$152.11 Su; LARM \$176.56 Misc; NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPM'T INC \$280.00 Bu; SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY LLC \$1,382.40 Gu; STERICYCLE, INC \$153.19 Misc; HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS \$1,086.85 Ps; Alexander Ballmer \$220.00 Gu; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$782.04 Su, Ma, Eq; ARAMARK \$128.24 Se; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$600.00 Se; Consolidated Management Co. \$64.50 Ex; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$54.36 Ut; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$29.47 Su; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT \$263.72 Ma; FRANZEN INC. \$418.00 Ma; FYR-TEK \$5,102.00 Su; Garden Blessings \$98.50 Gu; Gothenburg Leader \$65.00 Misc; HOMETOWN LEASING \$186.49 Ex; IDEAL LINEN \$72.18 Bu; NORTH PLATTE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$3,250.00 Se; PAULSEN INC \$1,041.00 Ma; PAVEMENT REPAIR & SUPPLIES, INC \$2,250.00 Ma; Pinpoint Communications \$396.27 Ut; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$41.83 Re; RECOGNITION UNLIMITED \$30.90 Misc; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$649.14 Ex, Su; VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO \$3,630.00 Gu; YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE \$40,000.00 Du.

Enterprise Fund Claims: ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$239.88 Ut; CARD SERVICES \$4,725.94 CI, Ex, Su; CREDIT MANAGEMENT \$105.64 Se; GOTHENBURG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL \$40.00 Ps; HOLDREGE IRRIGATION \$300.00 Ex; LARM \$176.56 Ex; LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC. \$47.67 Eq; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. \$91.55 Ma; NE. DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY \$23,297.87 Ex; STERICYCLE, INC. \$153.18 Misc; ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. \$2,848.58 Re; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$119.90 Misc; ARAMARK \$289.76 Se; BLACKBURN MFG. CO. \$292.14 Ma; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$36,716.55 Reim; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$2,625.64 Reim; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$3,778.48 Ma, Su; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$11.22 Su; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT COMPA \$581.76 Ma; FIVE STAR FLOORING \$2,895.87 Bu, Ma; FR DEPOT \$419.96 Misc; HINTON'S LOCK & ALARM \$8,680.75 Gu; HYDRO OPTIMIZATION & AUTO SOLUTIONS \$80.26 Se; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO. \$317.10 Ma, Re, Su; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. \$122.28 Ex; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$9,000.72 Ut, Ma; SCHABEN SANITATION INC. \$36,386.63 Reim; SCHABEN'S SANITATION-RECYCLING \$729.12 Reim; STATE HEALTH LAB \$60.00 Se; STUART CIRBY CO \$759.70 Ma; UNITECH \$750.00 Ma; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$329.99 Su; CHASE BANK \$211,483.75 Misc.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$18,345.21 Ps; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$8,350.32 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$694.63 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$181.85 Ps; Gothenburg United Fund \$37.00 Ps; Credit Management Service \$190.34 Ps.

#### COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer stated the pool is now open, summer reading programs are in full swing, and 4-Plex is busy.

Greer stated clean city containers will be available from June 10<sup>th</sup>-June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Greer stated the CSO report for May for Unlicensed/Inoperable cars was 15 notices with 1 citation and for Nuisances was 80 notices with 1 citation.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Barb Nuxoll discussed the Special Event Application for closure of part of 10<sup>th</sup> street for The Longest Day event on June 21st from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The event would be a photograph with a horse and John Wayne.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the Special Event Application for closure of part of 10<sup>th</sup> street for The Longest Day event on June 21st from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Alisa Mullen discussed the Special Event Application for use of city streets for Smilin' Ranch Wagon Rides June 15 to October 15. This event would be wagon rides 2 days per week from morning till around 2:00 p.m. in a 4 Block radius with tour of local homes.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Special Event Application for use of city streets for Smilin' Ranch Wagon Rides June 15 to October 15. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Jake Knauss, Roni McNally, Claire Edson discussed speed limit on Avenue M. Knauss stated with all the development and it being a new neighborhood that would like a reduction in the speed limit. Greer stated that there are 19 different traffic controls that must be followed, and the city would do an analysis on speed limit in that area. No motion carried.

Greer discussed Resolution 2023-6 Appoint Gary Greer as representative on Mutual Finance Organization (MFO) and Interlocal Agreement. The MFO provides money to help with the local fire department as long as the city has a representative.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Resolution 2023-6 Appoint Gary Greer as representative on Mutual Finance Organization (MFO) and Interlocal Agreement. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Greer introduced Ordinance 1024 Vacate 6<sup>th</sup> street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded that statutory rule requiring reading on 3 different days be suspended for introduced Ordinance 1024 Vacate 6<sup>th</sup> street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried. Mayor Rahjes declares motion adopted by vote of Council and statutory rule suspended for consideration of Ordinance 1024.

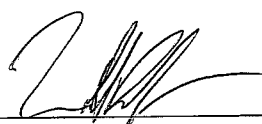
Clerk Bussinger read Ordinance 1024 Vacate 6<sup>th</sup> street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF THE STREET OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG; DESCRIBING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF; RESERVING TITLE TO SAID PORTION OF VACATED STREET; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

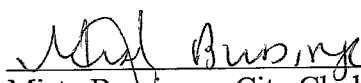
Richeson moved, Janssen seconded to approve final passage of Ordinance 1024 Vacate 6<sup>th</sup> street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Mayor Rahjes discussed the Appointment of Cole Lorenzen to the Airport Authority Board.

Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve Appointment of Cole Lorenzen to the Airport Authority Board. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Richeson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

  
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Will Rahjes, Mayor

  
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Misty Bussinger, City Clerk