

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-Facility & Building Director, Jenna Rahjes, and Dayton Murty.

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, approving the consent agenda that included:

- a) Council minutes-November 21
- b) Park & Recreation Board Minutes – November 15
- c) Approve payment of \$3,000.00 from LB840 to Community Redevelopment Authority for GIC REDLG Loan.
- d) Approve payment of \$4,277.39 from LB840 to Gothenburg Improvement Company Authority for Curbtender Project.
- e) Approve payment of \$134,772.50 to DTCC for Bond Notes A, C, F, G.
- f) Approve payment of \$637.00 to Flatwater Bank for Bond Note E.

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 \$460,577.72; Enterprise Fund \$404,777.55; November 29 payroll of \$60,979.99, and Payroll Transmittals of \$29,240.76. 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 \$354.67 Ut; Blue Cross Blue Shield \$49,603.54 Ps; CARD SERVICES \$819.10 Ex, Su, Su, Misc, Ut; Caroline Scott, CPA, LLC \$3,000.00 Se; CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS \$259.96 Ut; DEBT SERVICE FUND \$288,622.00 Ex; GOTHENBURG IMPACT CENTER FACILITIES AGEN \$100,000.00 Misc; MITCH WAGNER \$300.00 Se; VALLEY PROMO \$64.69 Ex; Mutual of Omaha \$2,715.34 Ps; HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS \$1,016.76 Ps; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$89.27 Su; ARAMARK \$89.38 Se; BACON, VINTON, & VENTEICHER LLC \$120.00 Ex; BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC. \$1,292.25 Su; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$600.00 Se; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$49.13 Ut; FRANZEN INC. \$19.95 Su; HICKEN

LUMBER CO. \$154.04 Ex, Ma, Su; HOMETOWN LEASING \$186.49 Ex; NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN \$4,529.29 Ma; NORTH PLATTE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$5,646.63 Se; Pinpoint Communications \$502.80 Ut; POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OF NE \$60.00 Dues; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$131.43 Ex; WEATHERCRAFT COMPANIES \$351.00 Bu.

Enterprise Fund Claims: ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$253.54 Ut; CARD SERVICES \$829.63 Ex, Ma; CAROLINE SCOTT, CPA, LLC \$3,000.00 Se; CREDIT MANAGEMENT \$124.97 Se; EUSTIS HEATING & COOLING \$164.00 Bu; MEAD LUMBER \$309.94 Su; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. \$243.60 Ma; NE. DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY \$23,253.21 Misc; CHASE BANK \$265,403.75 Misc; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$199.76 Su; ARAMARK \$226.60 Se; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$65,571.25 Reim; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$2,765.52 Reim; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$338.55 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$345.54 Su; FR DEPOT \$258.49 Su; FRANZEN INC. \$136.00 Bu; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$156.10 Ex, Ma; NEBRASKA RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION \$650.00 Ex; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$119.00 Ut; SCHABEN SANITATION INC. \$36,743.48 Reim; SCHABEN'S SANITATION-RECYCLING \$730.80 Reim; STATE HEALTH LAB \$211.00 Se; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$80.00 Su; T&R ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY INC. \$486.00 Ma; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$2,176.82 Ma.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$19,338.07; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$8,802.60 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$738.94 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$126.92 Ps; Gothenburg United Fund \$13.00 Ps; County Court of Buffalo \$221.23 Ps.

#### COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

City Administrator Greer stated leaf removal will conclude Friday December 8<sup>th</sup>.

City Administrator Greer stated city administration will meet with Miller & Associates on December 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss the new Hike/Bike Trail master plan.

City Administrator Greer stated the city has met with Senior Center and will be back at a future City Council meeting with ideas to help them address concerns.

City Administrator Greer stated the splashpad and playground projects at Lake Helen and E.G. West are underway.

City Administrator Greer stated that the 2024 paving and utility improvements preliminary plans have been approved, bids will go out in 2 weeks, and council review of bids will be on the January 16<sup>th</sup> agenda.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

City Administrator Greer discussed the Certificate of Compliance of Maintenance Agreement 56. This is to certify that the city complied with the maintenance agreement in 2023.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the Certificate of Compliance of Maintenance Agreement 56. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed the Joint Use of Poles Agreement with Spectrum Mid-America, LLC aka Charter Communications. This is an update to the previous agreement.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Joint Use of Poles Agreement with Spectrum Mid-America, LLC aka Charter Communications. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed the Franchise Agreement with Spectrum Mid-America, LLC aka Charter Communications. This is an update to the previous agreement.

Kennedy moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve the Franchise Agreement with Spectrum Mid-America, LLC aka Charter Communications. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

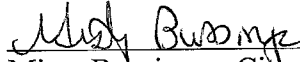
City Administrator Greer discussed the Property Maintenance Agreement and Memorandum Notice of Property Maintenance Agreement for Peterson Parking Lot. This is an agreement that the city will maintain and insure property, which is Lot 6, Blk 9 First Addition.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Property Maintenance Agreement and Memorandum Notice of Property Maintenance Agreement for Peterson Parking Lot. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Janssen seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.



Will Rahjes, Mayor



Misty Bussinger, City Clerk