

ROLL CALL:

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

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Shane Gruber, Noah Dea, Sarah Dea, Brooklyn Dea, Dawson Dea, Hadley Dea, Shawn Boyd, Chrissy Land, Deb Egenberger, Dan Butterfield, Linda Butterfield, Lonnie Warner, Dan Urman, Dawn Urman, Rob Will, Mark Peterson, Gary Mroczek.

Mayor Janssen 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:

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

- a) City Council minutes -September 17
- b) Community Redevelopment Authority Minutes- September 18

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

CLAIMS:

Colwell moved, Buddenberg seconded, allowing payment of claims against the General Fund \$82,950.41; Special Funds \$160,248.21; Enterprise Fund \$578,848.46; October 2 payroll of \$59,151.86 and Payroll Transmittals of \$27,593.85 except claim# 100124020. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Kennedy moved, Buddenberg seconded, allowing payment of claim#100124020. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Colwell. No – none. Abstained-Richeson. 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 \$370.19 Ut; AT&T Mobility II LLC \$502.31 Ut; CENTRAL NEBRASKA EQUIPMENT \$18,330.00 Re; INGRAM BOOK COMPANY \$550.61 Su; LARM \$49,227.75 Ex; STERICYCLE, INC. \$166.41 Se; VESTIS \$102.05 Se; Windy Prairie Systems Inc. \$2,300.00 Du; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$87.42 Ex, Su; BERELI INC. \$621.87 Su; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$600.00 Se; CULLIGAN \$57.12 Ex; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$51.76 Ut; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$872.89 Su, Ex; HOMETOWN LEASING \$186.49 Ex; KIRK'S TRENCHING & SEPTIC SERVICE \$600.00 Se; NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN \$649.60 Su; NELSON'S APPLIANCE REPAIR \$1,443.69 Re; NORTH PLATTE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$5,115.55 Se;

PAULSEN INC \$48.00 Su; RT ACE, LLC #18157 \$528.69 Ex, Re, Su; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$149.54 Ex; TK Elevator Corporation \$388.47 Ma.

Special Fund Claims: Amazon \$500.05 Su; Card Services \$363.77; Gothenburg Improvement Company \$59,277.39; Gothenburg Impact Center \$100,000.00; First Concord Benefits Group \$107.00 Ps.

Enterprise Fund Claims: ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$255.97 Ut; American Agricultural Laboratory Inc. \$225.00 Se; AT & T MOBILITY II LLC \$202.93 Ut; GATOR ROAD REPAIR, INC \$48.15 Su; GBG Signature Holdings LLC \$56.35 Reim; Lake Ave Eye Care \$54.27 Reim; LARM \$147,683.25 Ex; LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES \$1,750.00 Ex; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. \$136.96 Ma; NDEE - PUBLIC WATER OPERATORS \$115.00 Ex; NEBRASKA DEPT OF ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY \$280.00 Misc; STERICYCLE, INC. \$166.40 Misc; VESTIS \$268.97 Se; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$561.75 Su; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$102,507.81 Ps, Reim, Tax, Ex; CULLIGAN \$85.68 Ex; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$1,585.37 Re; GOTHENBURG IRRIGATION \$283.80 Ma; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER \$293,743.88 Ut; RT ACE, LLC #18157 \$1,076.31 Su, Re, Ma, Ex; STATE HEALTH LAB \$1,751.00 Se; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$26,009.61 Su, Ma, Re.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$18,355.33 Tax; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$8,429.12 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$172.62 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$126.92 Ps; County Court of Frontier \$284.55 Ps; County Court of Buffalo \$225.31 Ps.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Council person Kennedy stated that Harvest Festival went well and thanked everyone involved for all their work.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Chrissy Land presented the Community Forestry Award to Noah Dea by the Nebraska Forest Service.

City Administrator Greer discussed the appointment of Shane Bryant for Community Redevelopment Authority Committee.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded to appoint Shane Bryant to the Community Redevelopment Authority Committee. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Colten Venteicher discussed the Special Event Application for Munchkin Masquerade set for October 31, 2024 from 4:15 p.m. -5:30 p.m.

Kennedy moved, Colwell seconded to approve the Special Event Application for Munchkin Masquerade set for October 31, 2024 from 4:15 p.m. -5:30 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Change Order No. A for \$1,719.08 on 2024 Infrastructure 126-A1-042.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Change Order No. A for \$1,719.08 on 2024 Infrastructure 126-A1-042. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed the Easement from Harry and Constance Stienike and Midwest TRRR LLC to the City for utilities. This will allow the city to do work on the drainage for 4th Street.

Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve the Easement from Harry and Constance Stienike to the City for utilities. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Kennedy moved, Colwell seconded to approve the Easement from Midwest TRRR LLC to the City for utilities. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Resolution 2024-19 Update Fee Schedule (airport rates for hangar rent and storage units). This will change the rate of the storage units at the airport to per square foot and language on moving permits. Small Units (0-1000 square feet) will be \$6.05 per sqft; Medium Units (1001-2500 square feet) will be \$4.15 per sqft; Large Units (2500+ square feet) will be \$ 3.05 per sqft. This will go in effect January 1, 2025. Greer discussed all the research done regarding rates. Mark Peterson discussed that these changes will be a lot more money and will lose renters. The council stated that they have had many discussions on rates and various options.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Resolution 2024-19 Update Fee Schedule (airport rates for hangar rent and storage units). Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson. No – Colwell. Motion carried.

Gary Mroczek discussed Ordinance 1038 Vacate 5th Street Right of way. This vacates a 20-foot strip to allow him to put up a hail structure and he will work with Shane on site triangle. Shawn Boyd discussed legal description should be path instead of patch.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded that statutory rule requiring reading on 3 different days be suspended for introduced Ordinance. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried. Mayor Janssen declares motion adopted by vote of Council and statutory rule suspended for consideration of Ordinance 1038.

City Clerk Bussinger read Ordinance 1038. 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, Colwell seconded to approve final passage of the Ordinance 1038 with the change from patch to path. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Ordinance 1039 Amend Moving permits (Section 150.081).

City Clerk Bussinger read AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOTHENBURG CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR TITLE XV CHAPTER 150 RELATING TO PERMITS, REPEALING PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Kennedy moved, Buddenberg seconded to approve first reading of Ordinance 1039 Amend Moving permits (Section 150.081). Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Ordinance 1040 Amend Sign Regulations (Section 152.056). Kennedy recommends that we table and investigate what best practice is as to whether specific size or percentage of area. No action taken.

Buddenberg moved, Colwell seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Verlin Janssen

Verlin Janssen, Mayor

Misty Bussinger

Misty Bussinger, City Clerk