

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor
Council Members

Will Rahjes
Jeff Kennedy
J Buddenberg
Jay Richeson
Verlin Janssen
Colten Venteicher
Gary Greer
Misty Bussinger

Not Present:

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Shane Gruber-Building & Facilities Director, Shiloh Schultz, Kye Schram, 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, Richeson seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

- a) Council minutes -May 2
- b) Cemetery Board Minutes- May 1
- c) Cemetery Board Reports -January 2023-April 2023
- d) Police Report – April
- e) Treasurer Report-April
- f) Planning & Zoning minutes – May 9
- g) Building Permits – April
- h) Library Statistical Report- April
- i) Library Director's Report – March 14 through May 8
- j) Community Redevelopment Authority Minutes- May 10
- k) REDLG Reuse Minutes – May 11

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 \$48,590.75; Enterprise Fund \$429,124.90; May 17 payroll of \$56,549.48; and Payroll Transmittals of \$73,955.91 except claim# 51623049. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Richeson moved, Janssen seconded, allowing payment of claim# 51623049. Roll call vote: Yea –Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Abstained-Kennedy. 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: AT&T Mobility II LLC \$1,116.96 Ut; BELLS CONSTRUCTION & CURB GRINDING \$1,400.00 Se; CNA SURETY \$175.00 Ex; DETECTACHEM, INC \$96.32 Su; INGRAM BOOK COMPANY \$449.79 Su; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL / FARM PLAN \$1,490.31 Su, Re, Ma; KIRBY BUILT SALES \$2,167.01 Gu; LIBRARY \$66.72 Misc; MAIN STREET DESIGNS \$1,140.00 Gu; POWERPLAN \$2,514.29 Re; SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY LLC \$2,605.75 Gu; TOM FICKENSCHER \$150.00 Misc; VALLEY PROMO \$49.90 Ex; Yanda's Pro Audio & Video \$7,020.00 Misc; CARD SERVICES \$447.00 Su, Ex; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$1.45 Tax; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$2.04 Tax; Alexander Ballmer \$120.00 Se; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$94.62 Su, Ma; ARAMARK \$64.12 Se; BACON, VINTON, & VENTEICHER LLC \$570.00 Se; BEVERLY BOGLE LOUTHAN, P.C. \$17.00 Se; BIBLIONIX LLC \$2,370.00 Ma; Black Hills Energy \$210.53 Ut; CASELLE, INC. \$313.75 Se; CENTRAL NEBRASKA BOBCAT \$1,436.25 Eq; Consolidated Management Co. \$32.25 Ex; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$3,806.84 Ex; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$118.49 Ut; DOLLAR GENERAL \$12.00 Su; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$291.92 Su; EASTSIDE ANIMAL CENTER \$57.50 Se; GOTHENBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS \$1,600.00 Reim; GOTHENBURG TIRE & SERVICE \$1,397.16 Re; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$268.76 Misc, Ma, Bu; Honey Bee Cleaning Services LLC \$420.00 Bu; JEFFREY KENNEDY – LANDSCAPE \$2,963.78 Gu, Misc; KIRK'S TRENCHING & SEPTIC SERVICE \$75.00 Ex; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$606.66 Misc; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC \$105.00 Se; PAULSEN INC \$157.95 Ma; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$21.32 Su, Misc; Pinpoint Communications \$347.93 Ut; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$4,819.09 Ut; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$363.08 Ma, Su, Re; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$158.21 Ex; T & T CORPORATION \$60.00 Se; TRYON WELDING \$90.00 Re; VISION CARE DIRECT \$741.50 Ps; WERNER'S SPRINKLERS INC. \$1,598.17 CI; YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE \$1,331.00 Ps; HARTFORD GROUP BENEFITS \$1,058.33 Ps.

Enterprise Fund Claims: AT & T MOBILITY II LLC \$456.73 Ut; DAVE COLLINS \$2,400.00 Misc; DEVIN BRUNDAGE \$139.80 Misc; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL/FARM PLAN \$830.81 Su, Re, Ma, Bu; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. \$648.42 Ma; NEENAH FOUNDRY COMPANY INFRACTURE \$3,502.87 Ma; PETE CULLEN \$219.80 Misc; SERVI TECH, INC. \$168.00 Se; SHANE BRYANT \$200.00 Misc; VALLEY PROMO \$95.00 Ex; CARD SERVICES \$73.17 Ex, Su, Re; ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. \$283.33 Re; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$358.40 Ex; ARAMARK \$144.88 Se; BLACK HILLS ENERGY \$650.41 Ut; CASELLE, INC. \$941.25 Se; CENTRAL NEBRASKA BOBCAT \$4,308.75 Eq; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$71,659.76 Ps, Tax, Reim; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$2,097.29 Ex; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$333.84 Ma; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$149.76 Ex; ESSENTIAL SCREENS \$53.75 Se; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$896.15 Ex, Ma, Bu; HIRERIGHT SOLUTIONS INC. \$52.15 Se; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO. \$115.20 Ma; MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL \$1,007.04 Ma; MIDLANDS CONTRACTING INC. \$4,524.90 Se; MILLER & ASSOCIATES \$2,098.34 Se; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER \$242,955.69 Ut; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC. \$35.00 Re; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. \$128.82 Misc; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$335.16 Ma; PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS \$118.72 Ut; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$10,115.81 Ut; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$268.87 Su, Ma; STUART C IRBY CO \$585.61 Ma; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$216.00 Ex; T&R ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY INC. \$16,047.01 CI; TRYON WELDING \$30.00 Re; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$59,878.41 Ma, CI.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$16,914.74 Ps; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$8,034.83 Ps; AFLAC \$620.24 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$694.63 Ps; Healthcared MMKT \$24,616.52 Ps; Healthcare MMKT Sidefun \$20,025.00 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$181.85 Ps; Healthcare Cafeteria \$2,603.76 Ps; Gothenburg United Fund \$74.00 Ps; Credit Management Service \$190.34 Ps.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer reminded the council Employee Recognition Dinner is Friday May 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Greer stated Gothenburg will be featured in the 1011 Our Town August 10-17th.

Greer stated the CSO report for April for Unlicensed/Inoperable cars was 26 notices, 25 completed, 0 citation and for Nuisances was 43 notices, 38 completed, and 1 citation.

Greer stated Chamber Business After Hours is Wednesday May 24th.

Greer stated the first council meeting in July is July 4th. The council cancelled the meeting scheduled on July 4th.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Greer discussed Change Order No.2 on 2020 ADA Access Ramp Improvements 126-A1-039. This will add 6 intersections on Ave D and 1 intersection on 20th & F.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the Change Order No.2 on 2020 ADA Access Ramp Improvements 126-A1-039. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Greer discussed Standard Agreement for Professional Service for Hudson Landing Development-First Addition. Gothenburg Improvement Company voted to go on with Phase I of Hudson subdivision which will include 14 lots.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the Standard Agreement for Professional Service for Hudson Landing Development-First Addition. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Greer discussed the Agreement for the Provision Limited Professional Services for GIS Mapping. This is a system that will create a GPS map of data for Water Distribution, Sewer Collection, Storm Sewer, and Power.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Agreement for the Provision Limited Professional Services for GIS Mapping. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Greer discussed the Special Event Application for use of downtown street for Flatwater Hot Dog Feed on June 23rd from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is an annual event.

Janssen moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve the Special Event Application for use of downtown street for Flatwater Hot Dog Feed on June 23rd from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Greer discussed the Application to Vacate Platted Alley or Street from Kye Schram to vacate 6th street from 1st Avenue to 2nd Avenue. If the council approves an ordinance will follow.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Application to Vacate Platted Alley or Street from Kye Schram to vacate 6th street from 1st Avenue to 2nd Avenue. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Venteicher discussed the Resolution 2023-5 Economic Development Fund (LB840) Application for GIC Industrial Park 3rd Phase I Infrastructure (Wearparts), Grant Agreement, and payment for \$400,000.00. This will be a loan for \$400,000 at 0% interest rate for the utilities and paving. The loan will be paid back with Tax Increment Financing.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the Resolution 2023-5 Economic Development Fund (LB840) Application for GIC Industrial Park 3rd Phase I Infrastructure (Wearparts), Grant Agreement, and payment for \$400,000.00. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Venteicher discussed GLG Concepts LLC (Good Life) REDLG Revolving Loan Application, Loan Agreements, and payment for \$290,000.00. This will be two loans, the first being for \$140,000 at 1% interest that will be paid back by Tax Increment Financing. The second being \$150,000 at 1% interest that will be paid back by GLG Concepts LLC.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the GLG Concepts LLC (Good Life) REDLG Revolving Loan Application, Loan Agreements, and payment for \$290,000.00. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Mayor Rahjes discussed the Appointment of Joe Libal to the Community Redevelopment Authority Board.

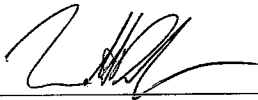
Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the Appointment of Joe Libal to the Community Redevelopment Authority Board.

Mayor Rahjes discussed Ordinance 1023 Additional 2% Occupation Tax for Good Life. This allows the Good Life restaurant to impose a 2% tax for 20 years.

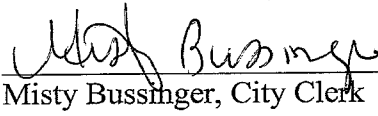
Clerk Bussinger read Ordinance 1023 Additional 2% Occupation Tax for Good Life. AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AGREEMENT TO THE LEVY OF A RETAIL BUSINESS OCCUPATION TAX; THE LEVY OF A RETAIL BUSINESS OCCUPATION TAX; ESTABLISHING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, COLLECTIONS, RETURNS, DELINQUENCIES AND RECOVERY OF UNPAID AMOUNTS RELATED TO SUCH OCCUPATION TAX; SPECIFYING HOW SUCH TAX REVENUE WILL BE USED; PROVIDING A SUNSET PROVISION FOR THE TAX; AND RELATED MATTERS.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the third/final reading of Ordinance 1023 Additional 2% Occupation Tax for Good Life. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Richeson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 5:51 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Buddenberg, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Motion carried.



Will Rahjes, Mayor


Misty Bussinger, City Clerk