

SPECIAL MEETING

The George City Council met in special session on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor James L. Cuttell presiding. Mayor Cuttell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The roll was called by Mayor Cuttell. Present were Ande Bruinsma, Stacy Denekas, Nyron Moore, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian. Absent none.

Tiedeman made a motion to adopt the agenda. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: Liz Sprock, Janitor requested additional help in cleaning the parks this summer. The council agreed for Sprock to coordinate with Randy Rypkema, Public Works Superintendent and have the summer help assist Sprock in cleaning the shelter houses.

Mayor Cuttell opened the Public Hearing at 5:08 p.m. to present the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2022. The notice was published not less than 10 days nor more than 20 days before the hearing in the Lyon County News on March 11, 2021 as required by law. There were no written or oral comments. The Public Hearing session was closed at 5:09 p.m. Moore introduced the following **Resolution No. 2021-03-306** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022" and moved that the same be adopted. Tiedeman seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Moore, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Council discussed the hiring and wages for the 2021 Summer Help Staff. Bruinsma made a motion to hire **Swimming Pool Manager** – Maitland Dykstra at the wage \$12.85/hour; **Mowing & Street Help** – Jim Kannegieter \$15.00/hour; Will Hamilton \$10.50/hour and Alex Bonestroo \$10.50/hour. The Mayor may hire additional street help as needed in vacation of council meetings and will report any changes at the next meeting. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Denekas introduced the following **Resolution No. 2021-03-307** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE ICAP GRANT FOR FUNDING REQUESTS" and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Moore, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Greg VerSteeg, George Kiwanis member, asked the council for a resolution and letter of support needed for the Kiwanis to submit a Mini-Grant Application to request funding from the Lyon County Riverboat Foundation to update and replace playground equipment at Siebring Park. Denekas introduced the following **Resolution No. 2021-03-308** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF MINI-GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE LYON COUNTY RIVERBOAT FOUNDATION FOR FUNDING REQUESTS" and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Moore, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Council received a bid of \$23,282 from Concrete Surfacing Inc. to re-paint and texture the inside of the swimming pool. The council is still waiting for the results of the Keep Iowa Beautiful Grant. Vivian made a motion to accept the bid and the paint received from the grant will be deducted from the bid. The funds to pay for the project are to come out of the Casino Funds Savings Account. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the request to increase internet service at the City Clerk's office from the current speed of 5M/1M to 25M/5M. Denekas made a motion to increase the internet at the city office to the 25M/5M at the rate of \$59.95 per month. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Bruinsma made a motion to adjourn at 5:47 p.m. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

All decisions made by the Council become effective upon publication.

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