

## MAY 2022 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor James L. Cuttell presiding. Mayor Cuttell called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The roll was called by Mayor Cuttell. Present were Ande Bruinsma, Stacy Denekas, Bob Gruis, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian (phone). Absent: none.

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

OPEN FORUM:

REPORTS: None.

Mayor Cuttell opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 p.m. to present the Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2022. The notice was published in the Lyon County News on April 28, 2022 and posted to the door and website as required by law. There were no written or oral comments. The Public Hearing session was closed at 7:01 p.m. Tiedeman introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-345** entitled "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022" and moved that the same be adopted. Bruinsma seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Tiedeman made a motion to approve the consent items. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

| VENDOR                    | REFERENCE                                       | AMOUNT     |
|---------------------------|---|------------|
| A&B                       | COPIER LEASE                                    | \$355.23   |
| ABC                       | MUSEUM ALARM MONITOR CONTRACT                   | \$240.00   |
| AFLAC PRE-TAX             | GROUP INSURANCE                                 | \$95.52    |
| ALLIANT UTILITIES         | ELEC/GAS  | \$4,844.28 |
| BAKER & TAYLOR            | BOOKS   | \$223.71   |
| BIOVERSE                  | POND CHEMICALS                                  | \$290.06   |
| BRAD HINSCH               | REPAIRS   | \$360.00   |
| CARDMEMBER SERVICE        | AM RED CROSS DUES/SUPPLIES                      | \$996.12   |
| CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS | COPIER LEASE                                    | \$156.34   |
| CFE                       | REPAIRS   | \$92.00    |
| COMPUTER CLINIC           | OFFICE SUPPLIES                                 | \$1,181.56 |
| COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO     | FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS                              | \$1,748.64 |
| CORE & MAIN               | FIRE HYDRANT                                    | \$562.21   |
| D&S SALES                 | TRAIL SQUARES                                   | \$93.10    |
| DENNY'S SANITATION        | GB-415.60 X \$15 / 11 X \$19<br>RC-385.86 X \$1 | \$6,828.83 |
| EFTPS                     | FED/FICA TAX                                    | \$3,579.46 |
| FERGUSON WATERWORKS       | WATER METERS/PARTS                              | \$1,680.05 |
| FRANKEN IMPLEMENT & SERVI | REPAIRS   | \$754.76   |
| FRONTIER TELEPHONE        | WATER TOWER PHONE                               | \$25.00    |
| GALE                      | BOOKS   | \$160.49   |
| GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY      | FIREPROOF SAFE-ICAP GRANT/OFFICE<br>SUPPLIES    | \$1,249.65 |
| HARRIS KASTER             | SUPPLIES  | \$96.10    |
| HAWKINS                   | CHLORINE  | \$5.00     |
| HEARTLAND HARDWARE        | SUPPLIES  | \$192.54   |

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| IOWA INFORMATION          | ADVERTISEMENT                  | \$64.81     |
| IPERS                     | IPERS                          | \$2,255.68  |
| LAURIE KOERSELMAN         | REIMBURSE 1/2 LIFEGUARD CERT   | \$92.50     |
| LELOUX DIVERSIFIED, LLC   | SEWER JETTING                  | \$750.00    |
| LYON CO SHERIFF           | 2ND 1/2 FY22 POLICE PROTECTION | \$14,040.00 |
| LYON COUNTY NEWS          | PUBLICATIONS                   | \$596.40    |
| LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP  | ELEC/GAS                       | \$38.22     |
| M & D ELECTRIC            | LIGHTS/TIMERS                  | \$633.28    |
| MATHESON TRI-GAS          | TANK RENTAL                    | \$98.10     |
| MC & R POOLS              | VGB GRATE FOR POOL DRAIN       | \$1,937.26  |
| MIDWEST TAPE              | DVD'S                          | \$71.22     |
| NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE   | GEMS CONT ED TRAINING          | \$72.00     |
| ORIENTAL TRADING          | PROGRAM SUPPLIES               | \$93.28     |
| PENNY KRULL               | CEMETERY WAGES                 | \$85.89     |
| POST OFFICE               | POSTAGE                        | \$212.80    |
| PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS    | PHONE/INTERNET                 | \$280.77    |
| REHAB SYSTEMS INC         | JET VAC/ROOT CUT               | \$8,473.65  |
| ROTO-ROOTER               | CAMERA POOL LINES              | \$480.00    |
| SHELDON POWER & EQUIPMENT | CEMETERY MOWER SERVICE         | \$143.01    |
| SIEBRING MANUFACTURING    | SUPPLIES/UPS CHARGES           | \$107.25    |
| STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY | SAMPLE TESTING                 | \$355.00    |
| TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE     | SUPPLIES                       | \$72.14     |
| UNITED INDUSTRIES INC     | VGB GRATE FOR POOL DRAIN       | \$942.15    |
| WELLMARK                  | HEALTH INSURANCE               | \$1,667.73  |
|                           | WATER REFUND DATE 04/27/2022   | \$164.33    |
|                           | TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS           | \$11,775.33 |
|                           | CLAIMS TOTAL                   | \$71,313.45 |

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| GENERAL FUND          | \$31,456.25 | GENERAL                 | \$113,510.18 |
| CEMETERY FUND         | \$281.36    | CEMETERY                | \$107.27     |
| ROAD USE TAX FUND     | \$4,246.39  | ROAD USE TAX            | \$16,109.09  |
| INSURANCE FUND        | \$1,667.73  | EMPLOYEE BENEFITS       | \$7,646.62   |
| LIBRARY FUND          | \$93.28     | INSURANCE               | \$11,469.64  |
| WATER FUND            | \$12,715.08 | LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX  | \$10,482.21  |
| WATER DEPOSITS FUND   | \$164.33    | TAX INCREMENT FINANCING | \$22,722.39  |
| SEWER FUND            | \$13,458.88 | LIBRARY                 | \$506.17     |
| LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND | \$7,230.15  | DEBT SERVICE            | \$44,582.25  |
| TOTAL FUNDS           | \$71,313.45 | WATER                   | \$11,629.18  |
|                       |             | WATER DEPOSITS          | \$400.00     |
|                       |             | SEWER                   | \$12,981.01  |
|                       |             | LANDFILL/GARBAGE        | \$7,946.80   |
|                       |             | REPORT TOTAL            | \$260,092.81 |

Council discussed the hiring and wages for the 2022 Summer Help Staff. Council reviewed the wages for the swimming pool employees. Denekas made a motion to hire **Lifeguards** – Thea DeBoer \$11.00/hour, Kally Modder \$10.75/hour, Sam Gruis \$10.50/hour & Courtney Dykstra \$11.55/hour. Tiedeman seconded the motion. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstain: Gruis. Motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to hire **Mowing & Street Help** – Cliff Kruger at \$16.00/hour, Harris Kaster at \$16.00/hour and Chase Duin at \$11.00/hour. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to accept the March 1, 2022 changes to the George Swimming Pool Lifeguard Manual. The updates included a daycare pool pass and lost paycheck penalty. All job descriptions are included in this manual. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis gave a report from Roto-Rooter was here to camera through the drain lines and it appears to be all in good working order. The council would like to thank Gary Siebring and Duane Post for their help to get the pool ready.

Council discussed the replacement of the water heater and toilets at the swimming pool. Bruinsma made a motion to accept the \$3,840.48 estimate from Jennings Construction and Plumbing to install a new water heater and two new toilets. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Northern Leak Detection has been notified and will begin to examine the city's water system for leaks.

Rehab Systems were in town April 28 to jet and root cut sanitary sewer lines. They will return to camera lines and rebuild three manholes.

Bids were received to finish Lacour Street in Locker Park. Gruis made a motion to accept the bid from VMC Construction at \$5.50 sq/ft in the amount not to exceed \$20,445. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Josh Eben, Asst. Fire Chief presented to the council the option to submit a sealed bid to purchase a 1996 GMC Fire Truck/Tanker from the City of Rock Rapids. Council agreed along with the Lyon County Rural Fire Board to continue the 50/50 share agreement for this purchase. Sealed bids are being accepted until May 20<sup>th</sup>. Gruis made a motion for Eben to submit a sealed bid for this truck. Denekas seconded this motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Stewart VanderStoep, Lyon County Sheriff presented to the council the new Police Protection Contract for FY23 & FY24. The first-year rate remains the same as last year however the second year will increase \$0.50/citizen. Denekas made a motion to accept the Police Protection Contract. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to donate \$50.00 to the Freedom Days Celebration for this year. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to approve a wavier to extend the peddler permit time until Midnight on July 3 for Burn Unit BBQ. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Denekas made a motion to approve the request for an outdoor event and street closure (entire main street from Iowa Ave to Michigan Ave) for Last Call 2 street dance to be held on July 3. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to approve the Alcohol and Liquor License for Total Stop. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to approve the Cigarette/Tobacco Permits for Casey's, Total Stop and Dollar General. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the emerald ash borer and its affect with the tree population in George and will review the 2014 Management Plan created by Joe Schwartz.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-346** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF GEORGE BETTERMENT CLUB GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LYON COUNTY RIVERBOAT FOUNDATION FOR FUNDING REQUESTS" and moved that

the same be adopted. Denekas seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Next monthly council meeting will be held June 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Gruis made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

All decisions made by the Council become effective upon publication.

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\_\_\_\_\_Loralye Wibben, City Clerk