

JULY 2022 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor Pro Tem Warren Tiedeman presiding. Mayor Pro Tem Tiedeman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. The roll was called by Mayor Pro Tem Tiedeman. Present were Ande Bruinsma, Stacy Denekas, Bob Gruis and Carola Vivian (phone). Absent: none.

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

OPEN FORUM: None.

REPORTS: None.

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

A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$351.05
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$60.00
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$8,869.44
AMAZON	SUPPLIES	\$56.44
AUTOGRAFX LTD	DECAL-NEW RED PICKUP	\$293.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$775.33
BERNETTE WEIER	2022 CEM DATAENTRY INTERN	\$456.00
BIOVERSE	POND CHEMICALS	\$198.87
BLACKTOP SERVICE COMPANY	SEAL COAT STREETS	\$43,564.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SUPPLIES	\$30.19
BRUCE'S REPAIR	REPAIRS	\$38.44
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$2,542.97
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$158.25
CFE	SUPPLIES	\$631.70
CITY OF ROCK RAPIDS	FIRE DEPT '96 GMC TANKER TRUCK	\$13,884.90
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIR/PARTS	\$3,189.91
COOPERATIVE GAS & OIL	LP TANK LEASE CAMPGROUND	\$50.00
CORE & MAIN	WATER LINE EXTENSION/REPAIRS	\$2,827.20
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$350.00
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-446.59 X \$15 / 10.9 X \$19 RC-451.86 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$7,703.24
DOON PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$160.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$8,806.53
EVERGREEN PERPETUAL FUND	20% LOT SALE TO CEM PERP CARE	\$480.00
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$25.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$68.88
GEORGE LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL	STORAGE SHED-CAMPGROUND	\$3,000.00
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	\$188.07
GOEDKEN MONUMENT	ENGRAVE NAME ON VETS MEMORIAL	\$125.00
GREAT PLAINS ZOO	PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$216.00
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$4,136.69
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$460.27

IOWA DNR	ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY FEE	\$118.62
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$217.40
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	FY23 ANNUAL DUES	\$1,051.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$96.40
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,105.91
JAMES CUTTELL	MILEAGE	\$58.50
JENNINGS CONST & PLUMBING	POOL REPAIRS	\$4,453.86
JONATHAN MAY	PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$300.00
KARY CONAWAY	INSTALL LABOR-KINDER PARK	\$1,420.00
KAYLA GERLOFF	PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$53.09
KD DESIGNS	LIFEGUARD TSHIRTS	\$186.00
KIERS PLUMBING & HEATING	SEWER JETTING	\$320.00
LELOUX DIVERSIFIED, LLC	SEWER JETTING	\$412.50
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$232.80
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$34.60
M & D ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$5,337.11
MATHESON TRI-GAS	TANK RENTAL	\$98.10
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	PREP FOR PAVING LACOUR ST	\$1,429.94
NORTHERN LEAK DETECTION	WATER LEAK DETECTION	\$872.75
NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$40.00
OBRIEN COUNTY IMPLEMENT	REPAIRS	\$429.98
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$85.89
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$504.80
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$318.97
REHAB SYSTEMS INC	EMERGENCY CALL CANCELLED	\$295.00
ROD DUIN	REPLACE GARDEN HOSE	\$34.99
SALVATOR LEWI	REFUND BLDG PERMIT	\$50.00
SCHWEBACH TREE SERVICE	TREE REMOVAL/STUMP GROUND	\$876.00
SHELDON POWER & EQUIPMENT	CEMETERY MOWER SERVICE	\$250.85
SIEBRING ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$4,665.65
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	REPAIRS	\$1,061.00
SIOUXLAND DISCRICT HEALTH	2022 POOL INSPECTION FEES	\$418.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$986.50
STRYKER	POWERLOAD COT	\$20,704.58
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$173.74
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES / 2ND QTR WATER EX TAX & SALES TAX	\$4,042.48
TWO WAY SOLUTIONS, INC	EMS RADIOS	\$1,905.99
VALLEY SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$49.47
VMC CONSTRUCTION	INSTALL LACOUR ST-LOCKER PARK	\$20,443.50
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,667.73
	WATER REFUND DATE 06/14/2022	\$1,658.41
	WATER REFUND DATE 06/21/2022	\$1,545.19

TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$39,822.30
CLAIMS TOTAL	\$224,526.97

GENERAL FUND	\$111,560.63	GENERAL	\$52,457.65
CEMETERY FUND	\$1,379.58	CEMETERY	\$2,450.38
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$49,346.75	ROAD USE TAX	\$18,886.04
INSURANCE FUND	\$1,667.73	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$133.48
LIBRARY FUND	\$625.53	INSURANCE	\$200.21
LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL FUND	\$21,873.44	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$12,331.51
WATER FUND	\$18,816.46	LIBRARY	\$382.98
WATER DEPOSITS FUND	\$3,203.60	DEBT SERVICE	\$724.48
SEWER FUND	\$8,218.97	LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL	\$48,458.74
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$7,834.28	SUNSET URBAN RENEWAL	\$9,188.97
TOTAL FUNDS	\$224,526.97	PERPETUAL CARE	\$480.00
		WATER	\$12,657.75
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$2,200.00
		SEWER	\$13,208.76
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,810.77
		REPORT TOTAL	\$182,571.72

Bids were received to start Baldwin Street in Locker Park. Gruis made a motion to accept the bid from VMC Construction at \$5.65 sq/ft in the amount not to exceed \$25,680. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council needs to review the Emerald Ash Boer and Ash Trees plan for George.

Discussion regarding the terms and conditions of the storage shed. Gruis made a motion that the building be shared with the George Betterment Club. The Betterment Club is asked that they remove the current shed. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Michael Mulder, GEMS chief presented to the council the proposal to update the emergency ambulance. The current rig is a 2002 F450 Ambulance with approximately 9000 miles is becoming outdated and hard to find replacement parts for. Mulder gave the council a paper with the three available types of ambulances ranging in price from \$130,000-\$230,000. He will look into what types of grants are available to help defray the cost to purchase a new ambulance as well as the contributions available from the city and rural fire board. Council would like the department to narrow down the search and put a proposal together for what they need for an ambulance.

Dennis Winkowitsch, property owner of Symens 1st Addition Lots 13-24. Winkowitsch has individuals interested in purchasing lots and wanted to know who installed the sewer, water and street. Council informed him that the developer of the lots is responsible to install these items. Winkowitsch was encouraged to reach out to the George Community Economic Development Corporation and start the conversation with them.

A Demolition Program Application was received from Del Thiner for removing the house at 310 E Indiana Ave. Gruis made a motion to approve the application and to pay out 50% or up to \$2,500 of the demolition expense when the project is complete. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

An application for a solicitor permit was received from Karl Holm, to sell education books door to door in George. Gruis made a motion not to allow Holm to solicit in the town of George. Bruinsma seconded the motion. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis and Vivian, –nays: Denekas, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Council discussed the process to fill the mayor position either by election or by appointment with Nathan Rockman, city attorney. Denekas introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-07-351** entitled "RESOLUTION REGARDING CITY COUNCIL'S INTENT TO FILL MAYOR VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT" and moved that the same be adopted. The public notice/press release was also reviewed and accepted to post on the door, in the newspaper, social media and website. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote – ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Introduction of the city attorney, Nathan Rockman, from DeKoter, Thole, Dawson, Rockman & Kirkke Law Office in Sibley. Rockman introduced himself to the city council and indicated that he would be handling matters of the City of George due to the upcoming retirement of Harold Dawson. He encouraged that council to attend the Iowa League of Cities Municipal Leadership workshops.

Next monthly council meeting will be held August 10, 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.

ATTEST:

_____Lyon Co. News _____Date

_____Loralye Wibben, City Clerk