

OCTOBER 2022 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor Billy Sprock presiding. Mayor Sprock called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called by Mayor Sprock. Present were Ande Bruinsma, Stacy Denekas, Bob Gruis, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian. Absent: none.

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

OPEN FORUM: None.

REPORTS: None.

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

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$200.38
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$60.00
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$7,016.30
AMAZON	BOOKS	\$188.12
ARNIE EBEN	ZONING ADMIN FEES	\$2,005.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$391.98
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$192.88
CFE	SUPPLIES	\$1,974.60
COMPUTER CLINIC	SECURITY CAMERAS	\$2,560.98
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS	\$1,072.35
CORE & MAIN	FIRE HYDRANT REPLACE	\$4,967.12
D&S SALES	THANK YOU SIGNS	\$235.55
DEL THINER	DEMOLITION PROGRAM	\$2,500.00
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-446.89 X \$16 / 12.09 X \$20 RC-461.38 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$8,195.33
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,330.66
EVA KLINGENBERG	REPLACE SEPTIC HOSE	\$56.99
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	WATER METERS	\$1,046.40
GALE	BOOKS	\$249.52
GCEDC	LOAN PROCEEDS 09/2022	\$25,000.00
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$22.99
GEORGE RURAL FIRE BOARD	REFUND 1/2 SALE FIRE GRASSRIG	\$2,277.50
GWORKS	TAX FORMS	\$161.23
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$1,356.65
IOWA DNR	ANNUAL WATER USE FEE	\$115.00
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$82.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$259.20
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,225.55
JERRY'S CARQUEST AUTO	PARTS	\$57.88

KAYLA RECK	BOOKS	\$41.70
LAURENS PUBLIC LIBRARY	BOOKS	\$15.00
LYON CO SHERIFF	1ST 1/2 FY23 POLICE PROTECTION	\$14,001.00
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$304.80
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$34.35
M & D ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$246.21
MATHESON TRI-GAS	TANK REFILL / TANK RENTAL	\$257.87
MIDWEST TAPE	DVD'S	\$209.41
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	REPAIRS	\$25,322.62
NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$95.00
PAUL VAN ROEKEL	REPAIRS	\$51.09
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$85.89
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$234.52
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$270.86
REHAB SYSTEMS INC	SANITARY SEWER CLEANING	\$3,025.00
SECURITY SAVINGS BANK	WIRE TRANSFER FEE	\$15.00
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	TESTED PRESSURE WASHERS	\$94.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$520.00
STURDEVANTS AUTO PARTS	PARTS	\$14.10
TOP NOTCH TREE SERVICE	STUMPS GRIND	\$1,800.00
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$160.34
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES	\$3,666.00
WALL STREET PRINTERS	RUN REPORTS-GEMS	\$175.00
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,035.49
WIERSMA CONSTRUCTION	CEMENT WORK	\$3,680.00
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$14,453.34
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$137,610.75

GENERAL	\$78,207.04	GENERAL	\$72,687.92
CEMETERY	\$134.48	CEMETERY	\$1,125.51
ROAD USE TAX	\$4,168.12	ROAD USE TAX	\$16,890.38
INSURANCE	\$1,035.49	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$2,543.86
LIBRARY	\$244.82	INSURANCE	\$4,469.41
WATER	\$26,810.96	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$24,206.21
SEWER	\$18,734.77	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	\$2,140.11
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,275.07	LIBRARY	\$153.17
TOTAL FUNDS	\$137,610.75	DEBT SERVICE	\$9,717.75
		PERPETUAL CARE	\$180.00
		WATER	\$13,396.43
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$200.00
		SEWER	\$13,900.55
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,992.78
		REPORT TOTAL	\$170,604.08

Council received a retirement resignation from Susan Roseberry, **Deputy Clerk** with the last day of employment December 31, 2022. Council advised the Clerk begin to advertisement for the position. Bruinsma made a motion to accept the resignation from letter from Roseberry. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the storm sewers and Rehab will be here soon to clean and camera lines of concern. Mayor Sprock stated that he met with Michael Carr, DGR Engineer, to discuss sewer lining in the city. The council would like to further discuss this information with Carr. The city clerk will coordinate a special meeting next week on Wednesday, October 19.

Mayor Sprock met with Matt Mitchell, Mitchell & Huss on the west side of town to further discuss the options for storm drainage. Mitchell will coordinate a plan and bid for the next council meeting.

Council discussed street repairs that are in the process yet this fall and equipment repairs.

Council discussed the concern regarding sending out important public notices. The city currently posts information on the website, Facebook, Channel 12 and KIWA Radio. The city clerk looked into two options for sending out text messages. The first company was TextMyGov that submitted a quote of \$1,500/year with a 2-year contract and \$700 set up fee. The second company the clerk looked into was Remind.com that is a free service. Tiedeman made a motion to set up the Remind account for the city. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

To anyone that wants to get set up for Remind on your phone please text **@cityofgeo** to this number **81010**. If you need help, please stop in at the city clerk's office.

Kayla Gerloff, Librarian, reported to the city council that the library board approved the installation bid from Mulder Home Improvement in the amount of \$2,150. Gerloff requested that the funds for this project be taken out of the Heeren Estate. Vivian made a motion to accept the request to withdrawal the funds for the library project from the Heeren Estate. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the chimney at the museum needs to be repaired. Will have a carpenter look at it next week.

Vivian introduced the **Ordinance 259** entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IV TRAFFIC AND STREETS; CHAPTER 3: SIDEWALKS; ARTICLE 20.20 PERMIT REQUIRED and moved that the requirement that the ordinance be considered at two prior council meetings be waived. Gruis seconded the motion to waive the requirement that the ordinance be considered at two prior council meetings. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: none. Mayor declared that the motion to waive the requirement that the ordinance be considered at two prior council meetings has been passed by a vote of not less than three fourths of the council. Gruis then moved that the proposed ordinance be adopted. Denekas seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: none.

Council reviewed the engagement letter submitted by Dorsey & Whitney to prepare legal documents for the Urban Revitalization Plan Amendment. Bruinsma made a motion to approve the letter in the amount not to exceed \$3,500 in legal counsel. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

The City Council took up and considered a proposed amendment to the revitalization plan for the George Residential Urban Revitalization Area in the City of George, Iowa. Whereupon, Vivian moved the adoption of the **Resolution 2022-10-360** entitled “Resolution Providing for Notice of Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the Revitalization Plan for the George Residential Urban Revitalization Area” declaring necessity and providing for notice of hearing on proposed amendment to the revitalization plan for the George Residential Urban Revitalization Area. Council will meet at 7 o’clock p.m., on November 9, 2022, at Community Room, 115 S Main St, at which time and place it will conduct a public hearing on the Plan Amendment, pursuant to the Code. The motion was seconded by Denekas. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: none.

Vivian introduced the following **Resolution 2022-10-361** entitled RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY2022 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (AFR) FOR THE CITY OF GEORGE” 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, –absent: none.

Denekas introduced the following **Resolution 2022-10-362** entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY2022 IOWA DOT STREET FINANCIAL REPORT (SFR)” and moved that the same be adopted. Gruis seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: none.

Denekas introduced the following **Resolution 2022-10-363** entitled “RESOLUTION TO SET THE 2022-2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT HEARING FOR NOVEMBER 9, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.” 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, –absent: none.

Council discussed the question received regarding storing campers at the campground for the winter. The question failed due to lack of support.

Next monthly council meeting will be held November 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Bruinsma made a motion to adjourn at 8:34 pm. 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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