

## NOVEMBER 2022 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, November 9, 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 and Carola Vivian. Absent: Bob Gruis and Warren Tiedeman.

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

OPEN FORUM: None.

REPORTS: None.

Mayor Sprock opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. to present the Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2023. The notice was published in the Lyon County News on October 27, 2022 and posted to the door as required by law. There were no written or oral comments. The Public Hearing session was closed at 7:01 p.m. Bruinsma introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-345** entitled "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2023" and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Gruis and Tiedeman Motion carried.

Mayor Sprock opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. to present the Proposed Amendment to the Plan for the George Residential Urban Revitalization Area. The notice was published in the Lyon County News on October 27, 2022 and posted to the door as required by law. There were no written or oral comments. The Public Hearing session was closed at 7:03 p.m. Denekas introduced the **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-11-366** entitled "Resolution Adopting Amended and Restated Urban Revitalization Plan for the George Residential Urban Revitalization Area" hereinafter set out, and moved that the said resolution be adopted; seconded by Vivian. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Gruis and Tiedeman Motion carried.

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

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$212.15
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$90.00
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$4,892.88
AVERA MEDICAL GROUP	EMPLOYMENT SCREEN	\$88.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SUPPLIES	\$209.71
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$449.76
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$176.16
CFE	SUPPLIES / GARAGE DOOR	\$4,472.91
CNA SURETY	SURETY BOND	\$236.50
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS	\$3,172.54
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$5,020.00
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-467.43 X \$16 / 16.72 X \$20 RC-481.34 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$8,636.53

EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,483.79
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	R900 BELTCLIP RECEIVER / WATER METERS	\$10,140.47
FRED LANDIS	CPR INSTRUCTOR CLASS	\$40.66
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$50.00
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$102.37
GOODLAND PUMP & SUPPLY CO	NEW PUMP @FISCHER'S LIFT	\$20,720.30
GWORKS	SOFTWARE SUPPORT FEE	\$3,543.00
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$1,885.69
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$1,012.17
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIA	2023 DUES / VOID & REISSUE AMOUNT ERROR	\$425.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$270.90
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC.	MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$275.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,104.73
KIERS PLUMBING & HEATING	SEWER JETTING	\$237.50
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$35.10
MATHESON TRI-GAS	TANK RENTAL	\$101.02
MICHAEL MULDER	CPR INSTRUCTOR CLASS	\$160.66
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	PEA ROCK @KINDER PARK	\$669.60
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$282.08
NW IA LEAGUE OF CITIES	REGISTRATION	\$20.00
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$85.89
PETTY CASH	SUPPLIES	\$9.07
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$532.32
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$301.23
PREMIER PYROTECHNICS, INC	2023 FIREWORKS	\$12,000.00
SIEBRING ELECTRIC	SUPPLIES	\$144.50
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	UPS CHARGES	\$24.50
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$105.00
STURDEVANTS AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	\$287.98
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$130.05
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	3RD QTR WATER EX & SALES TAX STATE TAXES	\$2,081.39
TRUE NORTH COMPANY	EMERGENCY DEPT INSURANCE / VD & REISSUE AMT ERR	\$452.20
VMC CONSTRUCTION	INSTALL BALDWIN ST	\$25,551.85
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,035.49
	WATER REFUND DATE 10/26/2022	\$1,385.50
	WATER REFUND DATE 11/02/2022	\$200.00

TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$12,635.55
CLAIMS TOTAL	\$131,179.70

GENERAL FUND	\$40,144.11	GENERAL	\$140,088.91
CEMETERY FUND	\$135.23	CEMETERY	\$82.73
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$7,240.83	ROAD USE TAX	\$12,405.09
INSURANCE FUND	\$1,271.99	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$6,722.70
LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL FUND	\$25,551.85	INSURANCE	\$11,764.47
WATER FUND	\$22,490.19	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$8,452.17
WATER DEPOSITS FUND	\$1,585.50	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	\$33,648.55
SEWER FUND	\$23,942.49	LIBRARY	\$7.60
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$8,817.51	DEBT SERVICE	\$28,308.14
TOTAL FUNDS	\$131,179.70	WATER	\$16,682.35
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$1,000.00
		SEWER	\$14,632.52
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$9,800.71
		REPORT TOTAL	\$283,595.94

Personnel Committee will review the applications received for the Deputy Clerk position and will also review the personnel handbook.

City Clerk requested to close the office to utilize two of her personal days on Friday, November 25 and Friday, December 23. Vivian made a motion to close the office both days. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed street repairs are complete for this year and equipment repairs are being fixed.

Council received one sealed bid for each of the power washers. Mayor Sprock opened and read the bids out loud to the council. The council agreed to accept the bids. Vivian introduced the following **Resolution 2022-11-367** entitled "RESOLUTION AWARDDING POWER WASHER WITH WAND" and moved that the same be adopted. Denekas seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Gruis and Tiedeman Motion carried.

Secondly, Vivian introduced the following **Resolution 2022-11-368** entitled "RESOLUTION AWARDDING POWER WASHER" and moved that the same be adopted. Denekas seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Gruis and Tiedeman Motion carried.

City clerk informed the council that there are 127 people signed up to Remind so far. The city needs to continue its effort to find ways to contact people whether it is informational or emergency situation.

To anyone that wants to get set up for Remind on your phone please text **@cityofgeo** to this number **81010**. Step 2: enter **first and last name**. Step 3: enter **S** or **P**. Step 4: enter date of birth **YYYY-MM-DD**. If you need help, please stop in at the city clerk's office.

Fred Landis, Chamber representative gave an update to the holiday events as they are approaching and asked if the chamber can use the Depot for the events. Vivian made a motion to allow the Chamber to use of the Depot for the holiday events. Bruinsma

seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried. The Landis family and the chamber will decorate the depot with Christmas lights on November 25 if there are any volunteers that would like to help you are welcome. On December 5 is the Holiday Open Houses/Extravaganza Day with the Christmas Tree Lighting to be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Depot. On December 15 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. is the Kiwanis Pancake Supper and Santa & Mrs. Claus Visits.

Demolition Program Application was received from George Community Economic Development Corporation for removing the house at 300 E Minnesota Ave. Vivian made a motion to approve the application and to payout \$2,500 when the project is complete. Bruinsma seconded the motion. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstained: Gruis and Tiedeman. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the annual renewal plan for city employee health insurance. Bruinsma made a motion to renew the Enhanced Blue 1500 policy rates for 2023 with Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council reviewed the building permits fees and they don't see any need to raise the rates at this time.

Vivian made a motion to approve the Alcohol/Liquor License for Dollar General Store. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council reviewed the minutes from the Planning and Zoning Board Meeting held on October 10, 2022 and October 20, 2022

Next monthly council meeting will be held December 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Bruinsma made a motion to adjourn at 8:14 pm. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

All decisions made by the Council become effective upon publication.

\_\_\_\_\_Lyon Co. News \_\_\_\_\_Date

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