

SEPTEMBER 2023 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, 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, Bob Gruis, Lucius Johnson, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian. Absent: none.

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

OPEN FORUM: Lexi Landis thanked the city for the honor of representing the City of George. Landis participated in the Lyon County Queen Contest in July and the Iowa State Queen Contest in August and had a great experience representing her hometown. She has attended a few parades, handed trophies out at the Hwy 339 Car Show and would be more than happy to represent George at any other upcoming events. The council thanked Landis for her accomplishments and for representing the City of George so well. It is greatly appreciated.

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

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$226.50
AFLAC DENTAL & VISION	GROUP INSURANCE	\$172.59
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$312.04
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$35,500.83
ARNIE EBEN	ZONING ADMIN FEES	\$570.00
ARROW MANUFACTURING	CITY PAYMENT FOR NEW AMBULANCE	\$42,500.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$695.57
BIERSCHBACH	STREET CUTTING BLADE	\$384.00
BIOVERSE	POND CHEMICALS	\$198.87
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES/TOOLCAT TURF TIRES	\$6,138.95
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$224.55
CNA SURETY	SURETY BOND	\$525.00
COMPUTER CLINIC	ANNUAL COMPUTER APPLICATIONS	\$690.00
CORE & MAIN	CURB STOP	\$1,556.20
D&S SALES	TRAIL SQUARES	\$33.00
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$2,149.21
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-446.52 X \$16 / 17 X \$20 RC-464.11 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$8,301.50
DGR	SEWER REPAIR PLANNING	\$3,114.48
D-P TOOLS	TOOLS	\$239.50
EBEN WELDING & REPAIR	REPAIRS	\$161.14
ECONO SIGNS	SIGNS	\$106.78
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$5,735.67
EVERGREEN PERPETUAL FUND	20% LOT SALE TO CEM PERP CARE	\$260.00
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	WATER METER SUPPLIES	\$2,199.79

FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$25.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$219.93
GCEDC	FY23 TIF FUND PAYOUT	\$12,448.79
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$490.48
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$30.00
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$193.06
HEATH HILBRANDS	MOSQUITO SPRAYING	\$165.00
HEIMAN FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	\$608.00
HWY339 SHOW & SHINE	DONATION	\$100.00
ICAP	PROPERTY INSURANCE	\$44,632.00
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$82.00
IOWA LAKES COMM COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$30.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,392.37
JERRY'S CARQUEST AUTO	REPAIRS	\$351.44
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$414.40
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$42.80
MAXWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY	BOOKS	\$30.00
MIDWEST TAPE	DVD'S	\$246.38
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	STORM SEWER PROJECT - HAMILTON ST	\$108,300.86
MULDER HOME IMPROVEMENT	CEMENT PAD @ CAMPGROUND	\$1,757.70
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$35.00
NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$80.00
OVERDRIVE, INC	FY24 EBOOK CONTENT FEE	\$526.17
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$90.19
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$534.30
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$392.81
RELIANCE LIFE INSURANCE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$117.48
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	UPS CHARGES	\$19.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$825.50
TOWN & COUNTRY IMPLEMENT	REPAIRS MOWER	\$12.39
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	JULY'23 WATER EX & SALES TAXES AUG'23 WATER EX & SALES TAXES	\$1,343.87
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,579.07
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$23,715.37
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$313,827.53

GENERAL FUND	\$146,230.73	GENERAL	\$67,240.66
CEMETERY FUND	\$407.93	CEMETERY	\$1,325.00
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$15,720.40	ROAD USE TAX	\$11,975.81
INSURANCE FUND	\$2,394.14	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$18,147.99
TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND	\$12,448.79	TIF/LMI	\$3,482.63
LIBRARY FUND	\$58.00	LIBRARY	\$101.66

STORM SEWER PROJECT FUND	\$102,279.66	PERPETUAL CARE	\$260.00
WATER FUND	\$18,528.45	WATER	\$13,121.01
SEWER FUND	\$7,300.03	WATER DEPOSITS	\$400.00
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$8,459.40	SEWER	\$13,095.30
TOTAL FUNDS	\$313,827.53	LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$9,023.22
		REPORT TOTAL	\$138,173.28

Council discussed the certification requirements for the current employees. Gruis made a motion for a \$2.00/hour raise for each water and wastewater certification obtained. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Tiedeman introduced the following **Resolution 2023-09-399** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF 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, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Bruinsma introduced the following **Resolution 2023-09-400** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE LYON COUNTY RIVERBOAT FOUNDATION FOR FUNDING REQUESTS" and moved that the same be adopted. Gruis seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Council discussed the proposal for a drinking fountain to be installed at the depot. Vivian made a motion to purchase the fountain using Rec Trail Funds. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Reminder for the council member to attend the Lyon County League of Cities meeting to be held on October 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Doon.

George Chamber of Commerce will host a **Trunk-or-Treat** on October 28 from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

City of George **Trick-or-Treating** night will be on October 31 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Next monthly council meeting will be held October 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Tiedeman made a motion to adjourn at 8:18 pm. Johnson 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