

OCTOBER 2023 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor Billy Sprock presiding. Mayor Sprock called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The roll was called by Mayor Sprock. Present were Ande Bruinsma, Bob Gruis, Lucius Johnson, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian. Absent: none.

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

OPEN FORUM: none.

Gruis 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	\$163.09
AFLAC DENTAL & VISION	GROUP INSURANCE	\$345.18
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$312.04
AGRIVISION EQUIPMENT GRP	CHAIN SAW	\$1,359.96
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$6,772.33
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$404.07
BIOVERSE	POND CHEMICALS	\$198.87
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SUPPLIES	\$318.93
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$3,540.43
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$192.91
CFE	SUPPLIES	\$513.54
COMPUTER CLINIC	COMPUTER	\$1,082.00
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/PARTS/REPAIRS	\$2,532.28
D&S SALES	SIGNS	\$97.00
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-438.91 X \$16 / 14.44 X \$20 RC-447.0 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$8,111.32
DGR	SEWER REPAIR PLANNING	\$19,269.00
DRG PLUMBING & HVAC	REPAIRS	\$914.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,813.12
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$25.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$322.61
GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL	DRINK/BOTTLE FOUNTAIN	\$2,216.73
GWORCS	SOFTWARE SUPPORT & LICENSE FEES	\$3,773.00
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$1,354.95
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$387.93
HEIMAN FIRE EQUIPMENT	RECHARGE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	\$223.00
IOWA DNR	ANNUAL WATER USE FEE	\$145.00
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIA	2024 DUES (25X\$17)	\$425.00
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$107.00
IOWA LAKES COMM COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED	\$115.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,757.02
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$583.41

LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$43.68
M & D ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$2,777.14
MATT HILBRANDS	WATER DEPOSIT REFUND	\$200.00
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	STORM SEWER PROJECT - HAMILTON ST	\$30,057.75
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$30.00
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$90.19
PENWORTHY	BOOKS	\$151.27
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$270.81
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$329.02
RON DRENKOW MOTORS, INC	REPAIRS	\$25.68
SIBLEY SHEET METAL	HEATER IN WELL HOUSE	\$1,809.12
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	REPAIRS	\$301.50
SMART APPLE MEDIA	BOOKS	\$95.80
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$360.00
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$358.62
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	SEPT'23 WATER EX & SALES TAX / STATE TAXES	\$2,610.20
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,579.07
	WATER REFUND DATE 09/27/2023	\$437.94
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$16,993.56
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$120,897.07

GENERAL	\$34,560.64	GENERAL	\$50,612.71
CEMETERY	\$228.81	CEMETERY	\$757.44
ROAD USE TAX	\$40,849.38	ROAD USE TAX	\$16,826.58
INSURANCE	\$1,924.25	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$2,159.15
WATER	\$11,711.64	INSURANCE	\$5,757.64
WATER DEPOSITS	\$637.94	EMERGENCY FUND	\$1,130.10
SEWER	\$22,861.02	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$15,298.42
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,203.39	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	\$1,758.17
TOTAL FUNDS	\$120,977.07	LIBRARY	\$24.05
		PERPETUAL CARE	\$80.00
		WATER	\$12,236.73
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$600.00
		SEWER	\$13,796.44
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,953.87
		REPORT TOTAL	\$129,991.30

Council discussed a storm sewer utility charge and asked that the city clerk create the documents necessary to start charging for storm sewer utility.

Council discussed the option to install a submersible mixer for the water tower and will check with other towns.

Council discussed the installation of cameras at the depot and the city shop. Gruis made a motion to purchase 2 cameras for the shop and 2 cameras/1 wireless bridge for the depot. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed replacing furnaces at the north community room and the city office. Tabled for more information.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution 2023-10-402** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM GEMS SAVINGS, GEMS CD AND CASINO SAVINGS ACCOUNTS TO THE GENERAL CASH ACCOUNT TO OFFSET THE PURCHASE OF AN AMBULANCE". Johnson seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: – ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Vivian introduced the following **Resolution 2023-10-403** entitled "RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE LOCAL OPTION SALES & SERVICE FUND REGARDING THE LOAN REPAYMENT OF FUNDS FROM GEORGE COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION". Bruinsma seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the building permit application received for Tabernacle Baptist Church and discussed the fees for building permits. Vivian made a motion not to waive the building permit fees for the school or the churches. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

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. The Good Samaritan Society George will have a **Halloween Parade** on October 31 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. so stop by for treats and to show off your costume.

Next monthly council meeting will be held November 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Gruis made a motion to adjourn at 8:39 pm. Bruinsma 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