

NOVEMBER 2021 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor James L. Cuttell presiding. Mayor Cuttell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called by Mayor Cuttell. Present were Ande Bruinsma, Stacy Denekas, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian. Absent was Nyron Moore.

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

OPEN FORUM: None.

REPORTS: City Clerk reported that the city applied for the \$9500 grant to purchase IT equipment thru the COVID-19 CARES Act Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The clerk ordered 5 laptops, 2 bundles and webcam in the amount in the amount of \$9,438. Some of the equipment has arrived and is getting set up by Computer Clinic.

Tiedeman 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	\$347.63
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$64.08
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$5,086.82
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$155.31
BITS & PIECES	BOOKS	\$137.28
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SUPPLIES	\$75.98
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$325.79
CENTURION TECHNOLOGIES	SMART SHIELD LICENSE FEE	\$50.00
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$152.16
CNA SURETY	SURETY BOND	\$236.50
CONCRETE SURFACING INC	REPAIRS	\$2,420.00
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS	\$1,142.28
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$100.00
DENNY'S SANITATION	DUMPSTERS	\$278.00
DGR	2021 COMPLIANCE STRATEGY	\$358.00
DOLLAR GENERAL	SUPPLIES	\$15.52
DRG PLUMBING & HVAC	REPAIRS	\$720.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,427.84
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	SOFTWARE & SUPPORT FEES	\$3,541.02
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$25.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$118.91
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$93.30
GWORCS	SOFTWARE & SUPPORT FEES	\$3,392.34
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$10.00
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$368.48
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIA	DUES	\$391.00
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC.	MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$275.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,275.81

L.G. EVERIST, INC	ROCK	\$135.66
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$567.12
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$36.93
M & D ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$652.39
MATHESON TRI-GAS	TANK RENTAL	\$191.54
MIDWEST TAPE	DVD'S	\$22.49
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	REPAIRS	\$488.69
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$25.00
NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$50.00
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$80.19
PENWORTHY	BOOKS	\$124.70
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$264.80
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$278.48
PREMIER PYROTECHNICS, INC	2022 FIREWORKS	\$10,000.00
RICHARZ REPAIR, LLC	REPAIRS	\$9,344.74
SANFORD HEALTH	GFD PHYSICAL	\$404.00
SANITATION PRODUCTS, INC	PARTS/REPAIRS	\$133.42
SCHWEBACH TREE SERVICE	TREE & STUMP REMOVAL	\$6,000.00
SIEBRING ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$995.00
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	UPS CHARGES	\$22.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$903.50
STRYKER	SUPPLIES	\$1,098.54
STURDEVANTS AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	\$124.99
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$115.11
VAN MEETEREN LAWN CARE	EVERGREENS	\$640.00
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,086.52
WIERSMA CONSTRUCTION	LABOR CEMENT WORK	\$280.00
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$12,408.38
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$72,058.24

GENERAL FUND	\$43,085.41	GENERAL	\$160,624.09
CEMETERY FUND	\$130.42	CEMETERY	\$204.24
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$12,522.14	ROAD USE TAX	\$11,963.79
INSURANCE FUND	\$1,323.02	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$7,132.42
LIBRARY FUND	\$229.95	INSURANCE	\$10,698.53
LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL FUND	\$135.66	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$11,612.46
WATER FUND	\$10,158.83	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	\$23,691.91
SEWER FUND	\$4,108.73	TIF/LMI	\$3,525.84
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$364.08	LIBRARY	\$763.62
TOTAL FUNDS	\$72,058.24	DEBT SERVICE	\$41,923.00
		AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN	\$250.00
		WATER	\$19,109.58
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$400.00

SEWER	\$16,349.12
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,301.02
REPORT TOTAL	\$316,549.62

Elizabeth Sprock, Custodian, presented her resignation letter to the city council. Sprock has worked for the city for 37 years and has decided it is time to retire. The council wants to thank Sprock for the years of service and for all the work she has done for the city. The city clerk will gather the job description to review the job duties with Sprock and will begin advertising for the position as soon as possible. Tiedeman made a motion to accept the resignation letter from Sprock. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

The personnel committee announced that David Grave has accepted the position for Public Works Technician and will begin his employment on November 22. Tiedeman made a motion to hire Grave at \$19.00/hour. Denekas seconded the motion. Roll call vote –ayes: Denekas, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstain: Bruinsma, –absent: Moore. Motion carried

Council continued the discussion on the purchase of the Ford F150 pickup. Tiedeman made a motion to use Casino Funds to purchase the pickup. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

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. Bruinsma made a motion to allow the Chamber to use of the Depot for this event. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried. The chamber will decorate the depot with Christmas lights on November 26 if there are any volunteers that would like to help you are welcome. On December 2 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 11 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. is the Kiwanis Brunch and Santa & Mrs. Claus Visits.

The city advertised for applicants to bid snow removal on city property by November 10 and the city property included: city office, community rooms, library, museum and the old DX station. There was one bid received from Mitchell & Huss in the amount of \$75 per occurrence with exception of the museum. Tiedeman made a motion to accept the bid from Mitchell & Huss. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council reviewed the annual renewal plan for city employee health insurance. Vivian made a motion to renew the Enhanced Blue 2000 policy rates for 2022 with Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

GLR Mustang Sport Boosters asked if the city would like to donate to the Boosters Online Auction held online from November 22 thru December 16. Vivian made a motion to donate a family swimming pool pass and an 8-night stay at the campground each at a \$120 value. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Vivian introduced the following **Resolution 2021-11-325** entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE CODE OF IOWA SECTION 403.19 TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) INDEBTEDNESS CERTIFICATION REPORTS TO THE LYON COUNTY AUDITOR” and moved that the same be adopted. Denekas seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Moore. Motion carried.

Denekas introduced the following **Resolution 2021-11-326** entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL URBAN RENEWAL REPORT FOR FY2021” and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Moore. Motion carried.

The city clerk made a request to close the city office on Friday, November 26 due to scheduling conflicts. Vivian made a motion to close the office. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Next monthly council meeting will be held December 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Bruinsma made a motion to adjourn at 7:43 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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_____Loralye Wibben, City Clerk