

JUNE 2022 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, 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, Bob Gruis, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian (phone). Absent: none.

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

OPEN FORUM: None.

REPORTS: None.

Tiedeman 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	\$303.89
ABC	MUSEUM ALARM ANNUAL INSPECTION	\$715.00
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$107.76
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$4,945.49
AMAZON	PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$144.97
ANA E CUADROS	REIMBURSE WSI CERT & 1/2 LIFEGUARD CERT	\$177.50
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$333.77
BIBLIONIX	AUTOMATION SERVICE	\$1,500.00
BIOVERSE	POND CHEMICALS	\$198.87
BRAD HINSCH	LABOR	\$760.00
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$167.05
CFE	SUPPLIES/REPAIRS	\$945.49
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS	\$2,224.18
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$1,021.50
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-439.51 X \$15 / 7 X \$19 RC-451.86 X \$1	\$11,847.29
EASTWEST LIBRARY BOOKS	BOOKS	\$336.11
EBEN WELDING & REPAIR	REPAIRS	\$444.35
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,388.73
EVERGREEN PERPETUAL FUND	20% LOT SALE TO CEM PERP CARE	\$100.00
FBT SAWMILL & LUMBER	REC TRAIL BENCH BOARDS	\$70.00
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$25.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$254.47
GEORGE CHAMBER	FREEDOM DAYS DONATION	\$50.00
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$278.34
GLEN GEERDES	LABOR	\$600.00
GOODLAND PUMP & SUPPLY CO	NEW WELL PUMP ON WELL#6	\$11,228.92
HARRIS KASTER	PARTS	\$30.81
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$3,414.52
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$293.90

IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER SRF LOAN	\$59,027.50
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$536.67
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$46.80
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,123.70
KAYLA GERLOFF	PROGRAM SUPPLIES	\$144.56
KIERS PLUMBING & HEATING	SEWER JETTING	\$300.00
KRISTI LANDIS	REIMBURSE WSI CERT	\$100.00
LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE	WORK COMP INSURANCE	\$2,712.66
LYON CO EMERGENCY MGMT	MITIGATION PLAN	\$500.00
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$540.65
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$36.47
MARTY KLAASSEN	LABOR	\$80.00
MATHESON TRI-GAS	TANK RENTAL	\$101.02
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	WATER LEAK REPAIRS	\$3,259.75
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$831.48
NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$81.00
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$85.89
PENWORTHY	BOOKS	\$424.66
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$316.00
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$355.43
RELIANCE LIFE INSURANCE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$326.28
RON DRENKOW MOTORS, INC	2022 F150 PICKUP-RED	\$29,592.00
SCHOLASTIC	BOOKS	\$154.29
SECURITY SAVINGS BANK	PRINCIPAL-BRIDGE/STREET/POOL	\$85,345.50
SERENITY PUTNAM	REIMBURSE 1/2 LIFEGUARD CERT	\$101.14
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	UPS CHARGES	\$25.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$506.50
THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER	ADVERTISEMENT	\$110.40
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$126.15
TRACY GRUIS	REIMBURSE 1/2 LIFEGUARD CERT	\$92.50
TRI-STATE READY MIX	CEMENT	\$1,380.00
VALLEY SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$106.08
WALT MARKS	LABOR	\$540.00
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,667.73
WIERSMA CONSTRUCTION	LABOR	\$787.50
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$12,061.59
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$251,434.81

GENERAL FUND	\$59,029.43	GENERAL	\$24,429.36
CEMETERY FUND	\$236.60	CEMETERY	\$675.00
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$4,556.24	ROAD USE TAX	\$6,185.07
INSURANCE FUND	\$4,706.67	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$556.35
LIBRARY FUND	\$443.82	INSURANCE	\$834.66

DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$85,295.50	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$12,331.51
LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL FUND	\$1,329.32	LIBRARY	\$142.76
WATER FUND	\$20,869.68	DEBT SERVICE	\$3,020.25
SEWER FUND	\$63,012.82	PERPETUAL CARE	\$100.00
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$11,954.73	WATER	\$12,183.40
TOTAL FUNDS	\$251,434.81	WATER/SEWER RESERVE	\$12,000.00
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$1,200.00
		SEWER	\$12,979.07
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,344.39
		REPORT TOTAL	\$94,981.82

Council discussed the hiring and wages for the 2022 Summer Help Staff. Council reviewed the wages for the swimming pool employees. Gruis made a motion to approve one-time raise for **WSI Instructors** – Thea DeBoer \$11.25/hour, Roya Amirhamzeh \$10.75/hour and Alexis Landis \$10.50/hour. **Mowing & Street Help** – Cliff Kruger at \$14.00/hour. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Tiedeman made a motion to hire **Library Aide** – Pat Bruinsma at \$14.00/hour. Gruis seconded the motion. Roll call vote –ayes: Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstain: Bruinsma. Motion carried.

Tiedeman made a motion to hire **Mowing & Street Help** – Lyle Moore at \$14.00. Terminate employment with Chase Duin effective June 10. Bruinsma seconded the motion. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: Gruis, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Maitland Dykstra, Swimming Pool Manager reported that so far 57 family season passes have been sold, three pool parties are booked, 55 participants scheduled private lessons as well as 52 public lesson participants. Reports that everything is going well. The swimming pool will have their Bake Sale Fundraiser on July 1 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the swimming pool. Denekas made a motion to waive the admission fees for Freedom Days celebration on July 2. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Northern Leak Detection has been notified and will begin to examine the city's water system for leaks starting June 9.

George Fire Department sealed bid was accepted by City of Rock Rapids to purchase a 1996 GMC Fire Truck in the amount of \$27,769.80. This amount is split between the City of George and the George Rural Fire Board.

Council needs to review the Emerald Ash Boer and Ash Trees plan for George.

Dustin Rodger presented to the council the idea to develop a dog park at the intersection of South Sidney Street and West Ohio Avenue. Rodger will gather more information such as prices and volunteers to present at the next council meeting.

Gruis made a motion to approve the Calhoun & Burns Bridge Inspection Agreement. Denekas seconded the motion. All cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to renew the ICAP Property Insurance policy. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Tiedeman made a motion to accept the garbage rate increase request of \$1 to offset the fuel costs, etc. from Denny's Sanitation. Starting July 1, the standard 65-gallon garbage rate will be \$17 per month. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All cast aye votes, motion carried.

Invite GCEDC to the next council meeting to discuss mowing of the development properties.

Denekas made a motion to accept the Campground Host Agreement policy. This agreement must be signed in order to receive the ½ off the monthly rate. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Tiedeman made a motion to allow Mark & Becky Stueven to provide firewood at the campground with proceeds to benefit the library. Denekas seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion for the City Clerk to submit a sealed bid to the George-Little Rock Community School for a storage shed built by the students in the Building & Trades Class Shed Project. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-347** entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CASINO SAVINGS ACCOUNT TO GENERAL CASH ACCOUNT TO OFFSET THE PURCHASE OF A 2022 FORD 150 PICKUP" 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, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-348** entitled "RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE TIF-LOCKER PARK CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS TO CLEAR UP EXPENSES" 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, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-349** entitled "RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE TIF-SUNSET CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS TO CLEAR UP EXPENSES" and moved that the same be adopted. Tiedeman seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2022-05-350** entitled "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GEORGE, IOWA TO CLOSE PORTIONS OF CITY STREETS FOR THE JULY CELEBRATION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JULY 2, 2022" and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Bruinsma, Denekas, Gruis, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –abstain: none. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the 30kw Generac Diesel Generator at the South Lift Station. Tiedeman made a motion for Siebring Electric Company to purchase a Winco PSS-30 Generator. This generator will run on propane instead of the diesel and will be easier to maintain. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

David Grave, Public Works Tech was requested to review the power tools at the shop and update tools as needed.

Next monthly council meeting will be held July 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Tiedeman made a motion to adjourn at 8:57 pm. Bruinsma 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