

JULY 2023 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, July 12, 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 Bob Gruis, Lucius Johnson, Warren Tiedeman and Carola Vivian. Absent: Ande Bruinsma.

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

OPEN FORUM: Jackie Stettnichs shared a concern about traffic and speeding on Virginia St. The city is working on this issue and is looking into options. In the meantime, the city recently put-up children at play signs on Virginia St.

Mayor Sprock opened the Public Hearing at 7:12 p.m. to present the sale of City's Interest in Real Property. The notice was published in the Lyon County News on June 29, 2023 and posted to the door as required by law. There were no written or oral comments. The Public Hearing session was closed at 7:13 p.m. Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2023-07-396** entitled "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF CITY'S INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY" and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Gruis, Johnson and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Bruinsma, –abstain: Tiedeman. Motion carried.

Max Gruis, Swimming Pool Manager reported that the bake sale was a success (\$637 profit) and that they were able to purchase the new basketball hoop and basketballs (\$875 on sale). Tentatively looking to close August 16th.

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

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
605 RUNNING CO	TIMING FOR FREEDOM DAY 5K	\$904.58
A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$181.83
AFLAC DENTAL & VISION	GROUP INSURANCE	\$172.59
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$312.04
AMERICAN RED CROSS	LTS DUES 2023	\$300.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$249.57
BIOVERSE	POND CHEMICALS	\$198.87
C&B OPERATIONS	KEY FOR GATOR	\$31.20
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$14,756.25
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$189.58
CFE	SUPPLIES	\$1,191.29
CORE & MAIN	PARTS	\$5,605.85
CREATIVE EDGE	SUPPLIES	\$10.00
DEMCO	SUPPLIES	\$61.61
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-409.16 X \$16 / 14 X \$20 RC-428.47 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$7,608.01
DGR	SEWER REPAIR PLANNING	\$19,990.53
EBEN CONSTRUCTION	PURCHASE SKYJACK LIFT	\$27,500.00
EBEN WELDING & REPAIR	REPAIRS	\$33.92
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$8,029.07

EVERGREEN PERPETUAL FUND	20% LOT SALE TO CEM PERP CARE	\$400.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$102.66
GCEDC	RENT	\$15,000.00
GEORGE BETTERMENT CLUB	DONATION	\$100.00
GREAT PLAINS ZOO	PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$270.00
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$3,551.15
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$253.63
IOWA DNR	ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY FEE	\$118.50
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$41.00
IOWA LAKES COMM COLLEGE	GEMS CONT ED TRAINING	\$30.00
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	FY24 ANNUAL DUES	\$979.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,738.96
JENNINGS CONST & PLUMBING	CAMPGROUND BATHROOM TOILETS	\$3,500.83
JONATHAN MAY	PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$350.00
KD DESIGNS	LIFEGUARD TSHIRTS	\$248.00
KIMBERLY DYKSTRA	PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$66.78
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$239.32
LYON COUNTY REPORTER	SUBSCRIPTION	\$50.00
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$43.17
M & D ELECTRIC	REPAIRS	\$16,131.01
MAGAZINES.COM	SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$97.37
MIDWEST TAPE	DVD'S	\$145.18
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	INTERSECTION S.LINCOLN/E.OHIO	\$65,639.40
MULDER HOME IMPROVEMENT	STREET REPAIR	\$2,500.00
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$45.00
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$90.19
PETTY CASH	SUPPLIES	\$14.98
POPKES INC	PROPANE TANK RENTAL	\$550.00
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$257.76
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$455.09
SCHOLASTIC	BOOKS	\$97.95
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	REPAIRS / POSTAGE	\$103.65
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$60.50
TOP NOTCH TREE SERVICE	STUMP REMOVAL	\$750.00
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$203.93
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	MAY 2023 WATER EX & SALES TAX / STATE TAXES	\$2,554.62
VMC CONSTRUCTION	INSTALL BALDWIN ST-LOCKER PARK	\$52,861.20
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,579.07
	WATER REFUND DATE 06/20/2023	\$215.17
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$38,599.24
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$298,361.10

GENERAL FUND	\$83,299.17	GENERAL	\$48,953.72
CEMETERY FUND	\$849.42	CEMETERY	\$2,028.15
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$113,455.70	ROAD USE TAX	\$16,626.61
INSURANCE FUND	\$1,751.66	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$128.13
LIBRARY FUND	\$784.15	INSURANCE	\$224.18
LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL FUND	\$52,861.20	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$14,737.59
WATER FUND	\$21,841.64	LIBRARY	\$1,096.21
WATER DEPOSITS FUND	\$215.17	DEBT SERVICE	\$479.31
SEWER FUND	\$15,607.34	PERPETUAL CARE	\$400.00
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$7,695.65	WATER	\$20,776.78
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$1,600.00
		SEWER	\$12,003.25
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$8,271.64
		REPORT TOTAL	\$127,325.57

Council received a resignation from Dominic Putnam, Swimming Pool Lifeguard with the last day of employment July 11, 2023. Tiedeman made a motion to accept the resignation from letter from Putnam. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council received a resignation from Michael Modder, Cemetery Caretaker with the last day of employment June 25, 2023. Gruis made a motion to accept the resignation from letter from Modder. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried. Evergreen Lawn Cemetery Board will meet soon to discuss the next steps in hiring.

Council discussed the fountain quotes for the pond. Gruis made a motion to accept the quote to purchase a RHP 6626 3/4HP Fountain and Fountain Light set (white bulbs) with 200-foot cord and to purchase three of each color bulb (red, blue, green) in the amount of \$1426. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the purchase of a commercial pool vacuum for the swimming pool. During the discussion Tiedeman announced that the George Community Foundation will be granting \$2000 towards the purchase of the vacuum. After the discussion Tiedeman made a motion to purchase the Wave 120 Pool Cleaner with caddy in the amount of \$5740. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Eugene Modder, EMS member gave an update to the production of the new emergency rig. The city share of the expense is \$42,500.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2023-07-397** entitled "RESOLUTION DISTRIBUTING THE HEEREN ESTATE TO THE GEORGE LIBRARY SERVICE FOR ENTRANCE REMODEL BILLS" and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote –ayes: Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none, –absent: Bruinsma. Motion carried.

Council discussed the cement for the garden shed to be placed near the campground bathroom for janitorial storage. Gruis made a motion to accept the bid from Mulder Home Improvement to lay the cement for the garden shed. Johnson seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Next monthly council meeting will be held August 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Tiedeman made a motion to adjourn at 8:23 pm. Gruis 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