

AUGUST 2023 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, August 9, 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.

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

OPEN FORUM: Fred Landis recapped the Freedom Days 5K Fun Run / Walk there were 205 participants this year which increased from last year's participation of 167. The participants came from 9 states and 158 were Iowa participants. Council wants to thank Fred & Kristi Landis for all their hard work and dedication to make the George Freedom Days 5K Fun Run / Walk a successful event.

Fred Landis would like to see a drinking fountain installed at the Depot. The council will look in to options for this request.

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

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$158.77
AFLAC DENTAL & VISION	GROUP INSURANCE	\$345.18
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$312.04
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$184.59
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SUPPLIES	\$433.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLIES/POND FOUNTAIN	\$3,630.94
CFE	REPAIRS	\$483.12
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/PARTS/REPAIRS	\$4,147.65
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$1,627.40
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-448.29 X \$16 / 16 X \$20 RC-465.10 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$8,310.66
DGR	SEWER REPAIR PLANNING	\$3,159.28
DRG PLUMBING & HVAC	REPAIRS	\$988.00
ECONO SIGNS	SIGNS	\$724.20
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$7,597.73
EVERGREEN PERPETUAL FUND	20% LOT SALE TO CEM PERP CARE	\$160.00
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$50.00
GALE	BOOKS	\$256.43
GEORGE OFFICE SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$25.68
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$5,854.78
IOWA DNR	ANNUAL NPDES WASTEWATER FEE	\$210.00
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$101.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$2,463.21
JERRY'S CARQUEST AUTO	PARTS	\$7.68
KEITH MERRICK COMPANY	FUN RUN 2023 SHIRTS	\$2,703.00

LELOUX DIVERSIFIED, LLC	SEPTIC PUMPING	\$255.00
LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE	WORK COMP INSURANCE	\$6,555.00
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$42.68
MITCHELL-HUSS EXCAVATION	WATER MAIN WORK @SCHOOL CORNER	\$12,961.30
OBRIEN COUNTY IMPLEMENT	REPAIRS DISC MOWER	\$92.57
PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$90.19
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$271.32
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$394.97
RECREONICS	POOL CLEANER (WAVE 120)	\$5,739.46
SCHWEBACH TREE SERVICE	TREE/STUMP REMOVAL	\$2,400.00
SIEBRING MANUFACTURING	REPAIRS / POSTAGE	\$1,737.51
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$88.55
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	JUNE'23 WATER EX TAX & SALES TAX / STATE TAXES	\$715.28
TRI-STATE READY MIX	CEMENT	\$1,420.00
TWO WAY SOLUTIONS, INC	RADIO PROGRAMMING	\$35.00
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,579.07
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$34,234.72
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$112,546.96

GENERAL FUND	\$55,033.98	GENERAL	\$21,908.58
CEMETERY FUND	\$307.81	CEMETERY	\$825.00
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$11,975.28	ROAD USE TAX	\$12,103.84
INSURANCE FUND	\$8,479.25	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$117.86
LOCKER PARK URBAN RENEWAL FUND	\$3,032.40	INSURANCE	\$206.25
WATER FUND	\$18,256.37	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$12,829.82
SEWER FUND	\$7,058.97	LIBRARY	\$79.61
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$8,402.90	DEBT SERVICE	\$440.93
TOTAL FUNDS	\$112,546.96	LIBRARY HEEREN ESTATE	\$4,467.15
		PERPETUAL CARE	\$160.00
		WATER	\$13,656.21
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$200.00
		SEWER	\$14,626.35
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$9,129.65
		REPORT TOTAL	\$90,751.25

Council received a resignation from Mia Darnell, Swimming Pool Lifeguard with the last day of employment August 10, 2023. Gruis made a motion to accept the resignation from letter from Darnell. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast eye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the mosquito spraying for the city and to negotiate pay. Gruis made a motion to pay \$30/hour for mosquito spraying. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast eye votes, motion carried.

Fred Landis reported that the can cribs have been moved to the city shop. Kiwanis plans to apply for a grant to pour cement slab and plan to do the concrete next summer. Council reviewed and accepted the agreement.

Max Gruis, Swimming Pool Manager reported that this is the last week for swimming lessons and the last day the pool will be open is August 16th. That day will include the public swim from 1-5:30 p.m. and the dog swim from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The new pool vacuum works great.

Gruis made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the HWY 339 Show & Shine Car Show this year. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

John Grotluschen requested the closure of Main St and Michigan Ave for the HWY 339 Show and Shine Car Show to be held on September 10, 2023. This closure for Main Street will be between Michigan Ave and Boiler Ave and the closure for Michigan Street will be between Sidney St and 217 & 218 E Michigan Ave to avoid blocking the Cooperative Energy gas station. Gruis made a motion to allow the street closure. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion for the mayor to sign the Participating Collector Agreement with the NW IA Area Solid Waste Agency. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed updating the Toolcat and the payloader.

Council discussed the speed trailer that we currently have is outdated and parts are limited. Quotes were received for new speed trailers were reviewed by the council. Gruis made a motion to accept the quote to purchase a Street Scout Trailer from MPH Industries with the quoted amount of \$8,283.00. Johnson seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed curb and gutter installation for Virginia St.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2023-08-398** entitled "RESOLUTION DISTRIBUTING TIF FUNDS FROM LOCKER PARK AND SUNSET ADDITION" 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.

Next monthly council meeting will be held September 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Tiedeman made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 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