

NOVEMBER 2023 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, in the Community Room, 115 S Main Street, with Mayor Billy Sprock presiding. Mayor Sprock called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. Johnson seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM: none.

Bruinsma 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	\$194.82
AFLAC DENTAL & VISION	GROUP INSURANCE	\$172.59
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$468.06
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$4,665.80
AMAZON	DVD/BOOKS	\$95.90
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	\$155.64
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER LEASE	\$241.80
CFE	SUPPLIES	\$175.63
CNA SURETY	SURETY BOND	\$761.50
COMPUTER CLINIC	EQUIPMENT	\$2,389.00
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS	\$2,921.65
CORE & MAIN	SUPPLIES	\$198.22
DEKOTER, THOLE & DAWSON	LEGAL FEES	\$474.00
DENNY'S SANITATION	DUMPSTERS	\$353.00
DGR	SEWER REPAIR PLANNING	\$18,056.00
EASTWEST LIBRARY BOOKS	BOOKS	\$273.87
EBEN WELDING & REPAIR	REPAIRS	\$43.74
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,227.45
GALE	BOOKS	\$272.97
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$20.00
HOKENESS FARMS	2021 JD PAYLOADER	\$159,900.00
IOWA DNR	WASTEWATER EXAMFEE	\$30.00
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$82.00
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC.	MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$355.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,448.68
LELOUX DIVERSIFIED, LLC	SEWER JETTING	\$435.00
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$224.19
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$49.54
MATHESON TRI-GAS	TANKS FOR WELDER	\$218.78
MIDWEST TAPE	DVD'S	\$22.49
MPH INDUSTRIES	SPEED TRAILER	\$8,283.00
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$70.00

PENNY KRULL	CEMETERY WAGES	\$90.19
PET WASTE ELIMINATOR	WASTE RECEPTACLE	\$437.99
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$268.77
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$358.91
PREMIER PYROTECHNICS, INC	2024 FIREWORKS	\$12,000.00
REAL SIMPLE	SUBSCRIPTION	\$45.96
SANFORD HEALTH	GFD PHYSICAL	\$636.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$299.00
TOP NOTCH TREE SERVICE	TREE/STUMP REMOVAL	\$2,000.00
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$91.22
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,579.07
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$12,112.26
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$238,199.69

GENERAL FUND	\$186,170.37	GENERAL	\$190,163.25
CEMETERY FUND	\$237.74	CEMETERY	\$325.75
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$18,032.20	ROAD USE TAX	\$12,091.56
INSURANCE FUND	\$2,513.16	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$5,227.53
LIBRARY FUND	\$2,230.86	INSURANCE	\$13,940.11
WATER FUND	\$7,076.89	EMERGENCY FUND	\$2,736.08
SEWER FUND	\$21,494.08	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$37,723.34
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$444.39	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	\$30,292.52
TOTAL FUND	\$238,199.69	LIBRARY	\$193.29
		WATER	\$13,217.55
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$1,600.00
		SEWER	\$13,308.79
		LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$9,143.75
		REPORT TOTAL	\$329,963.52

Council discussed repairing or replacing the sewer jetter and decided to look at repairing.

Council reviewed that the speed trailer has arrived and will be placed on Virginia Street to slow down traffic.

Council discussed the furnace in the city clerk's office and decided it is time to replace the furnace. Gruis made a motion to accept Kiers Plumbing & Heating estimate. Johnson seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed installing cameras at the city dump and the installation of security lights. Gruis made a motion to accept the bid from Computer Clinic to install 3 camera and 2 wireless bridges. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council reviewed the annual renewal plan for city employee health insurance. Gruis made a motion to renew the Enhanced Blue 1500 policy rates for 2024 with Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa. Tiedeman seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution 2023-11-404** entitled RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY2023 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (AFR) FOR THE CITY OF GEORGE" and moved that the same be adopted. Johnson seconded the motion to adopt. Roll

call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Bruinsma introduced the following **Resolution 2023-11-405** entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY2023 IOWA DOT STREET FINANCIAL REPORT (SFR)” and moved that the same be adopted. Tiedeman seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Johnson introduced the following **Resolution 2023-11-406** entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL URBAN RENEWAL REPORT FOR FY2023” 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.

Vivian introduced the following **Resolution 2023-11-407** 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. Gruis seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution 2023-11-408** entitled " A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CASINO SAVINGS ACCOUNTS TO THE GENERAL CASH ACCOUNT TO OFFSET THE PURCHASE OF A PAYLOADER". Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. . Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried.

Vivian introduced the **Ordinance 265** entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE II PUBLIC SERVICE AND PUBLIC HEALTH; CHAPTER 4: STORM SEWER; ARTICLE 10 STORM SEWER UTILITY and moved that the requirement that the ordinance be considered at two prior council meetings be waived. Johnson seconded the motion to waive the requirement that the ordinance be considered at two prior council meetings. Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried. The Mayor declared that the motion to waive the requirement that the ordinance be considered at two prior council meetings has been passed by a vote of not less than three fourths of the council. Bruinsma then moved that the proposed ordinance be adopted. Tiedeman seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: –ayes: Bruinsma, Gruis, Johnson, Tiedeman and Vivian, –nays: none. Motion carried. Re-enacting City Code Title II: Chapter 4: Article 10.04 STORM SEWER UTILITY. All residents of the City of George, Iowa will be charged \$7.50 per household per month for storm sewer utility. The charge will be identified on their resident’s monthly utility bill. This utility charge will be collected on resident utility bill beginning January 2024. These funds will be collected to start repairing the current storm sewer infrastructure.

Council discussed the holidays and office staff coverage. Tiedeman made a motion to close the city office on December 25 & 26. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council reviewed the minutes from the Planning & Zoning Board meeting on October 9, 2023.

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

Gruis made a motion to adjourn at 8:33 pm. Bruinsma seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

All decisions made by the Council become effective upon publication.

Loralie Wibben, City Clerk