

MAY 2024 MINUTES

The George City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, 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 BJ Gerken, Bob Gruis, Derek Storm and Carola Vivian. Absent: Kris Hamilton.

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

OPEN FORUM: Fred Landis, George Chamber discussed with the council the replacement of the "Welcome to George" signs.

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

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A&B	COPIER LEASE	\$163.09
ABC	MUSEUM ALARM MONITOR CONTRACT	\$300.00
AFLAC DENTAL & VISION	GROUP INSURANCE	\$517.77
AFLAC PRE-TAX	GROUP INSURANCE	\$468.06
ALLIANT UTILITIES	ELEC/GAS	\$5,051.28
AMAZON	SUPPLIES	\$311.46
BEEMER FISHERIES	FISH FOR POND	\$129.00
BEN'S PLUMBING & REPAIR	LIBRARY REPAIRS	\$369.46
BIOVERSE	POND CHEMICALS	\$198.87
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SUPPLIES	\$295.97
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	LIBRARY COMPUTER DESKS/SUPPLIES	\$3,102.12
CFE	LIBRARY REMODEL/PAINT/SUPPLIES	\$6,538.09
CHAD BECHLER	GFD-CALL CHECK	\$131.25
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	FUEL/REPAIRS/PARTS	\$1,234.32
DENNY'S SANITATION	GB-453.7X \$17.50/ 19X \$21.50 RC-478.37 X \$1 / DUMPSTERS	\$9,084.58
DGR	SEWER & STREET REPAIR PLANNING	\$10,122.10
DOLLAR GENERAL	SUPPLIES	\$56.02
ED M FELD EQUIPMENT	GAS MONITOR	\$2,220.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,094.65
EMILY DENEKAS	TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$20.10
FORT DODGE LIBRARY	BOOKS	\$20.19
FRONTIER TELEPHONE	WATER TOWER PHONE	\$25.00
GEORGE BETTERMENT CLUB	FISHING DONATION	\$100.00
GEORGE CHAMBER	FREEDOM DAYS DONATION	\$100.00
HAWKINS	CHLORINE	\$1,226.97
HEARTLAND HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$101.85
IOWA INFORMATION	ADVERTISEMENT	\$41.00
IOWA INS COMMISSION	2023 PERPETUAL CARE REPORT FEE	\$101.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,569.75
JACKIE STUEVEN	GEMS-CALL CHECK	\$334.10
JERRY'S CARQUEST AUTO	PARTS	\$27.27

JOHN M DONAKER	CEMETERY WAGES	\$92.89
KALEB MODDER	GFD-CALL CHECK	\$131.25
LAKE VIEW BOOKS	BOOKS	\$142.93
LELOUX DIVERSIFIED, LLC	SEWER JETTING	\$435.00
LORI CARSTENSEN	PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$97.60
LYON CO EMERGENCY MGMT	MITIGATION PLAN	\$500.00
LYON COUNTY NEWS	PUBLICATIONS	\$618.30
LYON RURAL ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC/GAS	\$93.39
MANITOU CARPETS	LIBRARY CARPET INSTALLATION	\$1,614.00
MELISSA GRAVE	REIMBURSEMENT	\$50.00
NEW CENTURY PRESS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$85.00
NW IA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	EMT TRAINING	\$1,986.00
NW IOWA REVIEW	SUBSCRIPTION	\$55.00
OZ CONSTRUCTION LLC	LIBRARY REMODEL	\$10,440.00
PIONEER WOMAN MAGAZINE	SUBSCRIPTION	\$12.00
POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$281.96
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$347.32
READER'S DIGEST	SUBSCRIPTION	\$17.10
RENT-ALL CENTER, LTD	LIBRARY CARPET REMOVER	\$937.00
SHELDON POWER & EQUIPMENT	CEMETERY MOWER	\$4,685.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE TESTING	\$609.00
TOTAL STOP FOOD STORE	SUPPLIES	\$523.02
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	APR'24 WATER SALES & EXCISE TAX	\$1,359.76
TRIPLE VIEW DRIVE IN	PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$75.00
ULINE	LIBRARY RUG	\$195.20
VALLEY SAND & GRAVEL	PEAS	\$876.86
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,640.64
	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$11,748.53
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$88,705.07

GENERAL FUND	\$18,546.38	GENERAL	\$143,895.62
CEMETERY FUND	\$4,940.01	CEMETERY	\$50.96
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$12,807.27	ROAD USE TAX	\$12,820.38
INSURANCE FUND	\$2,158.41	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$5,662.13
LIBRARY FUND	\$276.89	INSURANCE	\$15,098.90
GEORGE FIRE DEPT CKGACCT FUND	\$1,245.98	EMERGENCY FUND	\$2,963.61
GEORGE EMS CKGACCT FUND	\$701.11	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$12,033.60
LIBRARY HEEREN ESTATE FUND	\$21,191.69	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	\$20,312.53
WATER FUND	\$9,761.08	LIBRARY	\$24.26
SEWER FUND	\$8,095.81	GEORGE FIRE DEPT CKGACCT	\$750.00
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	\$8,980.44	GEORGE EMS CKGACCT	\$250.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$88,705.07	STORM SEWER PROJECT	\$4,209.73
		WATER	\$12,899.20
		WATER DEPOSITS	\$200.00

SEWER	\$13,881.07
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	\$10,249.98
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$255,301.97

Council discussed the hiring and wages for the **2024 Summer Help Staff**. Storm made a motion to hire **Lifeguards** – Isaiah Johnson \$14.00/hour; Micah Jumbeck \$14.00/hour. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed zone valve replacements and the purchase of a Hydrant Buddy to help exhaust the zone valves and fire hydrants within the city. Gruis made a motion to purchase the equipment utilizing funds from the water/sewer reserve fund. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis introduced the following **Resolution No. 2024-05-429** entitled “RESOLUTION TO SET THE 2023-2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT #2 HEARING FOR JUNE 12, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.” and moved that the same be adopted. Vivian seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: – ayes: Gerken, Gruis, Storm and Vivian, –nays: none; –absent: Hamilton. Motion carried.

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

Council reviewed the rates for the George Swimming Pool and agreed to increase the rates. Vivian made a motion to accept the new rates as follows: Public Swimming Lessons- \$40, Private Swimming Lessons- \$65, Single Season Pass- \$75, Family Season Pass- \$125, Pool Parties- \$80/hour, Daycare Contract- \$350. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed adding cameras to the swimming pool. Gruis made a motion to accept Computer Clinic bid to install two (2) additional cameras at the pool and installation be completed by M&D Electric. Gerken seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council reviewed the rates of the shelter house (castle park) and the depot. Gruis made a motion to raise the rate of the depot to \$40. Gerken seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Gruis made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the George Betterment Club Fishing Tournament this year. Vivian seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Council discussed the request from Taylor Rus regarding the food trucks at the George Co-Ed Slowpitch Softball. Gruis made a motion to approve a wavier to extend the peddler permit time until 10:00 p.m. and a will charge fee of \$100 for the summer. Storm seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Marnie Hansman, CFE Lumberyard requested the closure of a portion of E Boiler Ave (between Main and Baldwin) for the George Public Library and CFE Lumberyard Open House to be held on May 22, 2024 from 4-7pm. Vivian made a motion to allow the street closure. Gruis seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Vivian made a motion to approve the Cigarette/Tobacco Permits for Casey’s, Dollar General and Total Stop. Storm seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

Next monthly council meeting will be held June 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Gerken made a motion to adjourn at 8:28 pm. Storm seconded the motion. All present cast aye votes, motion carried.

All decisions made by the Council become effective upon publication.

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