

August 13, 2018

Notice of the special meeting was given in advance by publishing in the Sheridan County Journal Star, the designated method for giving notice as shown by the affidavit of publication on file in the City Clerk's office. Agendas of the meeting were simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Gordon was called for the purposes of awarding the bid for the 2017 Wastewater Improvement Project and consideration of the recommendation made by the Board of Health regarding Lot 12, Block 32, Original Town. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm in the Council chambers of the City Auditorium. The Mayor noted the location of the Open Meetings poster in the back of the room. The only agenda items for this meeting were awarding the bid for the 2017 Wastewater Improvement Project and consideration of the recommendation made by the Board of Health regarding Lot 12, Block 32, Original Town.

Present: Bounous, Evans, Paul, Russell, and Grant.

Absent: No one.

Russ Colby, Baker and Associates, was present to review with council the bids received for the 2017 Wastewater Project. The city received two bids for the project. The low bid in the amount of \$499,600 was received from KL Wood & Co. LLC of Alliance, NE. The second bid, in the amount of \$521,253, was received from Myers Construction, Inc of Broken Bow, NE. Myers Construction was the company that completed the original lagoon project. Baker and Associates recommended to council that they award the bid to KL Wood & Co. LLC. Mr. Colby informed council that Baker & Associates has worked with KL Wood for over thirty years with great success. Motion by Bounous, seconded by Grant to award the bid for the 2017 Wastewater Improvement Project to KL Wood & Co. LLC. Ayes: Evans, Paul, Russell, Grant, and Bounous.

The Gordon Board of Health met on August 7, 2018. At this meeting it was determined by the board that Lot 12, Block 32, Original Town (221 N Ash) was a dangerous building and recommended that it be demolished. Candy Allison, Gordon Volunteer Rescue Squad Chief, was present to inform council of the conditions in the residence, including the following:

1. There is no access through the front door as it is off its hinges and being blocked by a piano.
2. The only access is through the back door and the step to this entrance is rotting and unsafe.
3. The floor inside the residence is also rotting and unsafe.
4. There are mattresses lining the floor surrounded by large amounts of trash and human feces.
5. There are no utilities in the house, which increases the hazardous conditions to first responders and anyone else entering the residence.

Police Chief Clay Heath was also present and agreed with Chief Allison's assessment of the property and the Board of Health's designation of a dangerous building. Also present was Sheila Black Calf, who inherited half ownership in the property. She stated to council that she agrees with the issues at the residence but has been limited on what she can do with the property because the other owner of the property lives in the residence and refuses to comply. She was advised to consult an attorney regarding what she can do to eliminate her liability. After some discussion, motion by Bounous, seconded by Paul to declare 221 N Ash a dangerous building pursuant to Section 2-601, and therefore a public nuisance pursuant to Section 2-603 of the Gordon Municipal Code. Ayes: Paul, Russell, Grant, Bounous, and Evans.

After some discussion regarding the condition of the building and the entire lot, motion by Paul, seconded by Bounous, to serve notice to the owners of Lot 12, Block 32, Original Town (221 N Ash) of abatement

of the nuisance by removal of the building located on 221 N Ash, and that all debris, weeds and unlicensed vehicles be removed. Ayes: Russell, Grant, Bounous, Evans, and Paul.

With no further business, motion by Bounous, seconded by Grant to adjourn at 6:35 pm. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, Evans, Paul, and Russell.

/s/ Kim Buchan
City Clerk

/s/ Nancy I Russell
Mayor

I, the undersigned, City clerk for the City of Gordon, Nebraska hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on August 13, 2018; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continuously current and available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said minutes of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gordon from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

/s/ Kim Buchan
City Clerk