

October 10, 2019

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication 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 meeting of the City Council of the City of Gordon was called to order at 6:00 p.m., October 10, 2019 in the Council Chambers of the City Auditorium. The Mayor noted the location of the Open Meetings Laws poster in the back of the room.

Present: Russell, Grant, Bounous, and Evans.

Absent: Paul.

Motion by Bounous, seconded by Grant to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2019 meeting. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, Evans, and Russell.

Motion by Evans, seconded by Bounous to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2019 special meeting. Ayes: Evans, Russell, Grant, and Bounous.

Motion by Evans, seconded by Bounous to approve the September 2019 Treasurer's Report. Ayes: Russell, Grant, Bounous, and Evans.

Motion by Bounous, seconded by Grant to approve the bills. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, Evans, and Russell.

Abbreviations for the legal: EX, Expense; FE, Fee; GR, Groceries; MI, Mileage; RE, Reimbursement; RPT, Report; SA, Salaries; SE, Services; SU, Supplies.

#### PAID BILLS

EFTPS	Ally	EX	\$562.39
EFTPS	Ally	EX	\$523.52
EFTPS	Fleet Services	SU	\$818.03
EFTPS	FNBO	FE	\$65.23
EFTPS	NE Dept of Revenue	RE	\$4,074.15
EFTPS	BOK Financial	EX	\$666,325.00
WS106	Baird Holm	FE	\$1,320.00
WS107	BOK Financial	FE	\$750.00
EFTPS	BOK Financial	EX	\$164,352.50
GF1004	Gworks	EX	\$10,000.00
RS1264	JD Financial	SU	\$120.11
INS1078	Strong Insurance	EX	\$2,338.56
48530	C&R Electronics	SU	\$3.16
48531	Amazon.com	SU	\$17.12
48532	BC/BS	EX	\$4,807.84
48533	Consolidated Management	SE	\$63.51
48534	Fine Gardening	SU	\$29.95
48535	Cengage	SU	\$164.85
48536	Ingram	SU	\$382.44
48537	John F Reid & Assoc, Inc	SE	\$445.00
48538	Library Petty Cash	SU	\$49.54
48539	Mother Earth News	SU	\$17.00
48540	NWRPPD	SE	\$5,377.81

48541	Verizon Connect	SE	\$94.75
48542	NE Library Commission	FE	\$500.00
48543	Publishers Partnership Services	SU	\$159.95
48544	BH Energy	SE	\$75.80
48545	Xerox	EX	\$88.00
48546	Phillip Berger	EX	\$8,993.72
48547	KTJ 283 Money Market	EX	\$10,288.17
48548	Payroll Fund	SA	\$27,053.76
48549	City of Gordon	RE	\$100.00
48550	Airport Authority	RE	\$3,560.99
48551	Airport Bond Savings	RE	\$3,099.21
48552	Brewer's Bucket Truck Serv	SE	\$1,500.00
48553	CNH Capital	SU	\$76.63
48554	Consolidated Management	SE	\$194.72
48555	Croell	SU	\$5,729.05
48556	Display Sales	SU	\$3,290.00
48557	Fyr-Tek	SU	\$494.72
48558	Fish Trucking	SU	\$1,680.00
48559	Gall's	SU	\$2,925.00
48560	Greenamyre Contr & Bldr	SE	\$21,600.00
48561	Hinn's Auto Supply	SU	\$9.50
48562	Homestead	SU	\$14.98
48563	Kelly Construction	SU	\$5,358.36
48564	Madison National Life Ins	EX	\$50.54
48565	Verizon Connect	SE	\$113.70
48566	Ben Plemons	RE	\$450.22
48567	BH Energy	SE	\$252.59
48568	Southpaw Spray	SE	\$268.83
48569	Special Assessment BF	RE	\$5,116.00
48570	Simons Materials	SU	\$466.47
48571	Sandhills	SE	\$400.00
48572	USPS	SE	\$167.58
48573	Verizon	SE	\$230.04
48574	City of Gordon	RE	\$48.99
48575	Olivia Sauer	RE	\$51.01
48576	Petty Cash	SU	\$586.80
<b>Total October Paid Bills</b>			<b>\$967,697.79</b>

**UNPAID BILLS**

48633	QLT	SE	\$19.55
48634	Action Communications	SE	\$1,996.63
48635	Awards Plus	SU	\$76.00
48636	Dan Bishop	RE	\$50.00
48637	Shelby Colwell	RE	\$50.00
48638	Tony Bishop	RE	\$50.00
48639	City of Chadron	EX	\$45.00
48640	City of Gordon	SE	\$49.54
48641	Consolidated Mngmt Co	SE	\$97.36
48642	Customized Billing	SE	\$180.00
48643	BC Tire Service	SE	\$223.00

48644	Emergency Medical Products	SU	\$459.59
48645	First National Bank of Omaha	SU	\$485.73
48646	JD Financial	SU	\$171.48
48647	Farmer's Coop	SU	\$42.36
48648	Ford Motor Credit	EX	\$374.09
48649	Gordon Memorial Health	SE	\$319.93
48650	Great Plains Communications	SE	\$1,707.02
48651	Grocery Mart	SU	\$18.04
48652	General Fund Money Market	EX	\$8,000.00
48653	Hinn's Auto Supply	SU	\$482.97
48654	Clay Heath	RE	\$50.00
48655	Kone	SE	\$3,837.36
48656	Gardner, Loutzenhiser & Ryan	SE	\$750.00
48657	Med Tech Resource	SU	\$105.24
48658	Joe McGough	RE	\$50.00
48659	NPPD	SE	\$9,132.21
48660	NE Total Office	SU	\$230.22
48661	NW Pipe Fittings	SU	\$101.15
48662	NW Community Action	EX	\$192.93
48663	Verizon Connect	SE	\$72.06
48664	NE Rural Water	SE	\$180.00
48665	One Call Concepts	SE	\$48.45
48666	Otte Feeds	SU	\$26.00
48667	Shane Pascale	RE	\$50.00
48668	Ben Plemons	RE	\$50.00
48669	Respond 1st Aid Systems	SU	\$331.28
48670	Southpaw Spray Co	SE	\$640.00
48671	NE Public Health Env lab	SE	\$802.00
48672	Glen Spaugh	RE	\$50.00
48673	Dan Sasse	RE	\$50.00
48674	Stockmen's Drug	SU	\$143.71
48675	Sheridan County Journal Star	SE	\$672.27
48676	Smith King & Simmons	SE	\$1,030.00
48677	True Value	SU	\$914.05
48678	USA Bluebook	SU	\$179.16
48679	Rocky Mountain Air Solutions	SU	\$179.54
48680	LNM - Utilities Section	SE	\$180.00
48681	Westco	SU	\$1,489.80
48682	Water Reserve Fund	RE	\$1,716.00
48683	Water/Sewer Bond Fund	EX	\$17,200.00
48684	Water/Sewer Bond Fund	EX	\$5,000.00
48685	Kevin Wolkins	RE	\$50.00
48686	Wreck A Mended	SE	\$5,982.66
48687	Keith Wolkins	RE	\$50.00
48688	Xerox	EX	\$493.78

<b>Total October Unpaid Bills</b>		<b>\$66,928.16</b>
<b>Total October Paid Bills</b>		<b>\$967,697.79</b>
<b>Total October Bills</b>		<b>\$1,034,625.95</b>

The Public Hearing for the amendment to the One-Year Street Plan was opened at 6:08 pm. Conduct of the hearing was turned over to Hearing Officer Glen Spaugh. Mr. Spaugh explained that the repairs done at the intersection of East 4<sup>th</sup> and N Spruce Streets were expanded to include both sides of the street. Street Superintendent Dan Bishop was also present and explained that the additions were needed to ensure the longevity of the repairs that had been completed previously at this intersection. There was no one from the public to offer testimony for or against the approval of this amendment. The hearing was closed at 6:10 pm and conduct of the meeting returned to Mayor Russell. Motion by Evans, seconded by Grant to approve the amendment to the City of Gordon's One-Year Street Plan. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, Evans, and Russell.

Jan Grover, Family Education Specialist and Marion Weidemann, Head Teacher, Gordon Headstart, were present to inform council of the programs that NW Community Action offers and to request that Mayor Russell sign the Head Start Awareness Month Proclamation. After some discussion about the program, motion by Grant, seconded by Bounous to allow Mayor Russell to sign the Head Start Awareness Month Proclamation. Ayes: Bounous, Evans, Russell, and Grant.

PROCLAMATION  
HEAD START AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Established in 1965, Head Start is a national, federally funded early childhood development program that serves children and families and whose purpose is to help children achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, Head Start provides comprehensive health, nutritional, educational, social services, family and community development and meaningful parent involvement; and

WHEREAS, Head Start focuses on children's language development, early literacy, social skills, and giving their parents the skills in becoming their child's first and best teacher; and

WHEREAS, Head Start is committed to the development of each child and provides preventative and early intervention services to children and families regardless of their economic status.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nancy I Russell, Mayor of the City of Gordon do hereby proclaim the month of October 2019 as "Head Start Awareness Month".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, it is recognized that the needs of children and families in the immediate service area must become a top priority for future decision makers by investing financial resources and talent in the prevention of health and mental health and educational disabilities, child abuse and neglect, and family dysfunction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all parents of preschool age children should be encouraged to participate in literacy activities, such as reading a book with your child, attending a play with your child, and going to the library with your child during the month of October.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Gordon, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

          /s/ Nancy I Russell            
Mayor Nancy Russell

Ward Wacker and Jordan and Amanda Strain were present to address the council concerning their application for a Class C Liquor License. They have purchased 100 S Main and are converting it into a store which will be named Sidetracks. Because they will also be selling lottery tickets, the license is limited to tasting events only. Motion by Bounous, seconded by Evans to approve the application made by Sidetracks for a Class C liquor license. Ayes: Evans, Russell, Grant, and Bounous.

Wellspring Chapel is requesting that they be allowed to close E Fifth Street from N Main Street going east to the alley on October 31 to hold a Trunk or Treat Event. Motion by Grant, seconded by Evans to approve this request. Ayes: Russell, Grant, Bounous, and Evans.

City Manager Glen Spaugh recommended to council that Item K, Discussion of Designation of Alley, be tabled until a future meeting as there is still ongoing litigation regarding adjacent property. No action was taken on this item.

Through a review of the city's general liability insurance, it was discovered that the city's agreement with Smith and King law firm had not been updated since 1991. The current agreement is very vague and does not reflect the personnel changes that have occurred at the law firm. Motion by Evans, seconded by Bounous to allow Mayor Russell to sign the employment agreement with Smith, King, Simmons and Conn, P.C. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, Evans, and Russell.

Motion by Grant, seconded by Bounous to approve the 2018-2019 FY Perpetual Care Report, and to thank Alyssa Dehart for her service on the Perpetual Care Board. Ayes: Bounous, Evans, Russell, and Grant.

Council was presented with the annual Highway 20 Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement. There were no changes from the previous agreement which is expiring. Motion by Evans, seconded by Bounous to approve the Highway 20 Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement. Ayes: Evans, Russell, Grant, and Bounous.

Motion by Bounous, seconded by Evans to approve the application made by Gabriella Charging Thunder for the Gordon Volunteer Rescue Squad and to thank her for her service to our community. Ayes: Russell, Grant, Bounous, and Evans.

Council was given information on a possible community solar project. Doug Dykstra, Genpro, has been inquiring about our interest. City Manager Glen Spaugh recommended that no further action be taken at this time since there are other projects to complete and solid data needs to be gathered about the impact of the solar project at the wellfields.

The city manager car has been loaned to the airport for pilots that fly in because the current courtesy car is no longer reliable. Originally, the airport had budgeted to purchase a new car, but it was realized through the 19-20 budget process that this was not feasible. One option would be for the city to purchase the car and sell it to the airport. Mayor Russell informed council that she is in the process of looking for a different vehicle for herself and is willing to donate her used van to the airport. The transaction will be completed when Mayor Russell has secured another vehicle. No action was taken.

Panhandle Public Health District (PPHD) held an Activate Gordon Meeting on September 19 in the gym of the city auditorium. At this meeting it was discussed that one of the major concerns of the citizens is the safety at the schools during pick up and drop off of students. PPHD has generously donated a portable speed radar sign to the city which can be used in areas that need to be monitored. The sign should be delivered by mid-October. Council signed a thank you certificate to send to PPHD.

With no further business, motion by Bounous, seconded by Evans to adjourn at 6:38 pm. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, Evans, 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 October 10, 2019; 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