

June 9, 2022

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 6:02 p.m., June 9, 2022. The Vice-Mayor noted the location of the Open Meetings Laws poster.

Present: Grant, Bounous, and Dehart.

Absent: Evans and Russell.

Motion by Dehart, seconded by Bounous to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2022 meeting. Ayes: Bounous, Dehart, and Grant.

The May 2022 Treasurer's Report was not available from Gardner, Loutzenhiser and Ryan.

Motion by Bounous, seconded by Grant to approve the bills. Ayes: Grant and Bounous. Abstain: Dehart.

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

#### PAID BILLS

<b>51682</b>	<b>Gordon Volunteer Fire Dept</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$1,750.00</b>
<b>51683</b>	<b>NW Auto Body</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>\$1,014.34</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>NE Dept of Revenue</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$2,770.54</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>NE Dept of Revenue</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$3,005.62</b>
<b>EDEP</b>	<b>5/13/22 Payroll Elec Deposits</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>\$22,706.07</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>Electronic Federal Tax System</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$7,002.63</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>State of NE Child Support Serv</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$115.39</b>
<b>51686</b>	<b>NW Mutual</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$2,483.19</b>
<b>GF1027</b>	<b>First National Bank</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$9,895.77</b>
<b>GF1028</b>	<b>First National Bank</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>51687</b>	<b>MASA</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$28.00</b>
<b>WS EFT</b>	<b>Bairdholm</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$1,270.00</b>
<b>WS EFT</b>	<b>BOK Financial</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$770.00</b>
<b>51688</b>	<b>City of Gordon</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$124.25</b>
<b>51689</b>	<b>Monique Rock</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$75.75</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>NW Mutual</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$627.93</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>AFLAC</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$1,771.96</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>FNBO</b>	<b>FE</b>	<b>\$458.65</b>
<b>EFTPS</b>	<b>Ameritas</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$576.76</b>
<b>51692</b>	<b>City of Gordon</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$480.00</b>
<b>51693</b>	<b>NW Mutual</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$2,427.19</b>
<b>51694</b>	<b>NW Auto Body</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>\$952.22</b>
<b>51695</b>	<b>City of Gordon</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$108.80</b>
<b>51696</b>	<b>Bill Bowers</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$40.46</b>
<b>51697</b>	<b>Toni Hart</b>	<b>RE</b>	<b>\$50.74</b>
<b>51698</b>	<b>Madison National Life</b>	<b>EX</b>	<b>\$65.55</b>

51699	NDEE	EX	\$80.00
51700	BH Energy	SE	\$813.66
51701	Sales Tax Infrastructure MM	EX	\$10,496.96
51702	USPS	SE	\$178.22
51703	Verizon	SE	\$119.04
51704	Flex Spending	RE	\$407.50
EDEP	5/27/22 Payroll Elec Deposits	SA	\$23,333.67
EFTPS	Electronic Federal Tax System	EX	\$7,159.55
EFTPS	State of NE Child Support Serv	RE	\$115.39
51705	Federal Surplus Property	EX	\$250.00
51706	Petty Cash Fund	RE	\$348.03
EFTPS	BC/BS	EX	\$12,732.38
EFTPS	Fleet Services	SU	\$1,698.17
GF1029	American Signal Corporation	EX	\$36,652.20

**Total June Paid Bills** **\$155,456.58**

**UNPAID BILLS**

51707	Arnold Pool Company	SU	\$190.90
51708	C&R Electronics	SE	\$569.90
51709	Dan Bishop	RE	\$50.00
51710	The Business Connection	EX	\$309.94
51711	Tony Bishop	RE	\$50.00
51712	CLIA Laboratory Program	FE	\$180.00
51713	Hannah Calkins	RE	\$50.00
51714	Joe Carr	RE	\$50.00
51715	Doris Bear Killer	RE	\$40.00
51716	DAS State Acct	SE	\$224.00
51717	DAS State Acct	SE	\$77.00
51718	Nick Dehart	RE	\$413.96
51719	Emergency Medical Products	SU	\$183.70
51720	First National Bank of Omaha	SU	\$1,218.23
51721	JD Financial	SU	\$2,042.34
51722	Farmer's Coop	SU	\$333.45
51723	Scott Fisher	RE	\$50.00
51724	Scott Fleming	RE	\$50.00
51725	Great Plains Communications	SE	\$1,666.35
51726	Grocery Mart	SU	\$7.55
51727	General Fund Money Market	EX	\$12,000.00
51728	Hinn's Auto Supply	SU	\$794.42
51729	Core & Main	SU	\$4,206.36
51730	Husker Auto	SU	\$7.69
51731	Clay Heath	RE	\$50.00
51732	Insurance Fund Money Market	EX	\$13,000.00
51733	Gardner, Loutzenhiser, & Ryan	SE	\$800.00
51734	Loup Valley Lighting	SU	\$532.50
51735	Barb McCartney	SE	\$680.00
51736	Brandon Mika	RE	\$50.00
51737	McLeods	SU	\$278.29

51738	MASA	EX	\$784.00
51739	Joe McGough	RE	\$50.00
51740	NPPD	SE	\$5,765.19
51741	NE Total Office	SU	\$50.70
51742	NW Pipe Fittings	SU	\$215.73
51743	Verizon Connect	SE	\$80.95
51744	One-Call Concepts	SE	\$61.24
51745	Sam Piper	RE	\$50.00
51746	Shane Pascale	RE	\$50.00
51747	Wyoming 1st Aid Supplies	SU	\$234.81
51748	Summit Fire Protection	SE	\$300.00
51749	NE Public Health Env Lab	SE	\$48.00
51750	Glen Spaugh	RE	\$50.00
51751	Dan Sasse	RE	\$50.00
51752	Sheridan County Journal	SE	\$588.83
51753	Smith, King, Simmons, & Conn	SE	\$926.25
51754	True Value	SU	\$909.18
51755	Rocky Mountain Air Solutions	SU	\$214.02
51756	Westco	SU	\$4,453.77
51757	Water Reserve Fund	EX	\$2,000.00
51758	Water/Sewer Bond Fund	EX	\$18,000.00
51759	Water/Sewer Bond Fund	EX	\$6,500.00
51760	Kevin Wolkins	RE	\$50.00
51761	Wreck A Mended	SE	\$130.00
51762	Keith Wolkins	RE	\$50.00

<b>Total June Unpaid Bills</b>	<b>\$81,769.25</b>
<b>Total June Paid Bills</b>	<b>\$155,456.58</b>
<b>Total June Bills</b>	<b>\$237,225.83</b>

Lt Joseph McGough addressed council on the ongoing project that addresses nuisance violations within the City of Gordon. Council was shown a power point presentation created by Lt McGough that outlined the hazards to a community when nuisance ordinances are not enforced. Hazards included decrease in adjoining property values and an increase in crimes such as vandalism. Lt McGough initiated this project last year, focusing mainly on “junk” vehicles that were either parked on city streets or on the city right of ways. A “junk” vehicle is defined in Gordon Municipal Code as “Any machine, vehicle, or parts of a machine or vehicle which have lost their identity, character, utility, or serviceability as such through deterioration, dismantling, or the ravages of time, are inoperative or unable to perform their intended functions, or are cast off, discarded, or thrown away or left as waste, wreckage, or junk” and “Any motor vehicle without a current license and not housed in a storage or other building”. This year Lt McGough would like to widen the project’s focus to include all “junk” vehicles including those parked off of the city streets. He would also like to address several areas of town that have multiple violations of the nuisance codes. Lt McGough stated to council that he has already compiled a list of approximately fifty properties having a total of over 100 “junk” vehicles. He will initially make contact with the property owner and try to work with them to abate the nuisance. If a property owner refuses to abate the nuisance, a citation will be issued. Jeff Butler was present and offered his full support to Lt McGough’s project. Mr. Butler currently owns a property that is adjacent to several properties that are in violation of the nuisance codes. He stated to council that because of these adjacent properties he has been unable to further develop his property. Discussion by council included options to aid in this project, including reinstating the position of Code Enforcement Officer who would work with Lt McGough to identify

nuisance properties and facilitate the abatement of the nuisances. Motion by Dehart, seconded by Bounous to fully support Lt McGough in his efforts to further this project. Ayes: Bounous, Dehart, and Grant.

Another option offered by Lt McGough was the possible rezoning of one area to allow a junk yard. Junk yards are required to obtain State of Nebraska approval and to remain compliant with State of Nebraska laws. Motion by Dehart, seconded by Bounous to have a meeting of the Gordon Planning Commission to discuss the possibility of this re-zoning. Ayes: Dehart, Grant, and Bounous.

Police Chief Clay Heath was present to request that council allow him to change the Gordon Police Department's Class B summer uniform. The only change would be the shirt. Currently the shirt that the officers wear year-round is made of material that is very hot in the summer time. The new shirts will be cooler and more comfortable in the summer. Motion by Bounous, seconded by Dehart to approve the change to the Class B summer uniform. Ayes: Grant, Bounous, and Dehart.

City Manager Glen Spaugh presented council with his manager report. Items contained in the report were:

1. The insurance adjuster has inspected the roof on the city warehouse/pound. We are waiting on the estimate.
2. Originally the opening date for the pool was May 30, but due to the cool weather it was pushed to June 10 – which is dependent upon the state's final approval of the chlorine level.
3. City Manager Spaugh and Janet Pascale will have property evaluations done by the end of June.
4. The city is in the second year of their intermural softball team. All expenses for the team are paid for by the team members.
5. The new warning sirens are in the installation phase.
6. FYI- articles on properties being purchased by corporations.

No action was taken on the items within the manager report.

With no further business, motion by Bounous, seconded by Dehart to adjourn at 7:39 pm. Ayes: Bounous, Dehart, and Grant.

                  /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 June 9, 2022; 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