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 Council President 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 by Council President Dehart at 6:00 p.m., January 30, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the City Auditorium. The Council President noted the location of the Open Meetings Laws in the back of the room.

Present: Petersen, Evans, Gates, Woodbeck, and Dehart.
Absent: No One.

Motion by Evans, seconded by Woodbeck to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2025 meeting with one correction. Ayes: Evans, Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart and Petersen.

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

Motion by Gates, seconded by Evans to approve the Payroll Warrants. Ayes: Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen, and Evans.

PAYROLL WARRANTS

EFTPS	**Federal Tax Payment System**	**RE**	**$11,485.61**
EFTPS	**NE Child Support Pymnt Center**	**RE**	**$260.77**
55085	**City of Gordon**	**RE**	**$790.00**
55086	**Flex Spending**	**RE**	**$100.00**
55087	**Janelle Hotz**	**RE**	**$184.03**
55088	**NW Mutual**	**RE**	**$4,790.42**
EDEP	**Employee Paychecks 1/17/25**	**SA**	**$35,414.99**
	TOTAL PAYROLL WARRANTS		**$53,025.82**

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to approve the January 30, 2025 Expense Warrants. Ayes: Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen, Evans and Gates.

EXPENSE WARRANTS

EFTPS	**Airport Authority**	**RE**	**$2,110.70**
EFTPS	**Airport Bond Savings MM**	**RE**	**$1,019.38**
EFTPS	**BC/BS**	**EX**	**$16,069.53**
55091	**Brodart**	**SU**	**$140.09**
55092	**Tim Chaput**	**SE**	**$111.00**
55093	**Demco**	**SU**	**$446.60**
55094	**Fyr-Tek**	**SU**	**$244.12**
55095	**Great Plains**	**SE**	**$1,522.04**
55096	**Cengage/Gale**	**SU**	**$104.52**
55097	**Hydro Optimization**	**SE**	**$628.62**
55098	**Ingram**	**SU**	**$212.67**

55099	**Library Petty Cash**	**RE**	**$49.40**
55100	**MASA**	**EX**	**$868.00**
55101	**Mid-States Organized Crime**	**FE**	**$100.00**
55102	**Madison National Life**	**EX**	**$163.18**
55103	**NWRPPD**	**SE**	**$2,523.08**
55104	**Petty Cash**	**RE**	**$420.05**
55105	**Pests Go**	**SE**	**$150.00**
55106	**Quill**	**SU**	**$115.92**
55107	**BH Energy**	**SE**	**$3,036.48**
55108	**Summit Fire Protection**	**SE**	**$3,302.35**
55109	**Sales Tax Infrastructure MM**	**RE**	**$11,455.51**
55110	**Triangle Electric**	**SE**	**$1,725.84**
55111	**USPS**	**SE**	**$210.00**
55112	**Verizon**	**SE**	**$398.12**
55113	**Uline**	**SU**	**$195.26**
	TOTAL EXPENSE WARRANTS		**$47,322.46**

During the Public Comments agenda item, Kim Rosane addressed council regarding concerns that someone had contacted him about inspecting his properties at the request of the city to facilitate tearing down buildings on his property. President Dehart stated that officials would look in to this issue.

Anne Liebermann addressed council regarding the current projects that are being planned by the Gordon Flower and Garden Club. Certain projects are planned for property owned by the City of Gordon. A native vegetation planting is being planned for the front of the city auditorium and a nature walk and dog park may be constructed at Hamilton Park. Jessica Rosane joined the discussion and voiced her ideas for a dog park. She would prefer a change in the location as she feels Hamilton Park is too close to Highway 20 which causes concerns for the safety of the animals and any children at this park. President Dehart suggested that a Dog Park Committee be formed so that a unified plan could be presented to the city council for future consideration. Mrs. Liebermann stated that what she needed from the council at this meeting was their approval for the Flower and Garden Club to apply for a Pathways Grants to help fund the proposed projects. Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Gates to allow the Flower and Garden Club to apply for a Pathways grants to fund these projects. Ayes: Dehart, Petersen, Evans, Gates, and Woodbeck.

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to authorize the formation of a Dog Park Committee by Tim and Ann Liebermann and Jessica Rosane. Ayes: Petersen, Evans, Gates, Woodbeck and Dehart.

Motion by Gates, seconded by Woodbeck to appoint Ken Costello to the Gordon Airport Authority. This fills the vacancy that was left after the General Election in November 2024. Ayes: Evans, Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart and Petersen.

Motion by Gates, seconded by Woodbeck to table the awarding of a Skid Loader bid until the February 13, 2025 regular meeting. Ayes: Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen and Evans.

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to table a decision on Item M: Discussion regarding a survey of the city zoning assignments and road layouts by Baker & Associates. Ayes: Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen and Evans.

Gordon Grade School Principal Robin Johnson has expressed concerns regarding the drop off/pick up zone at the Gordon Grade School. It is currently very congested with people parking on both sides of Maverick when they drop off and pick up students. This requires the students to cross the street during the heaviest traffic times. Principal Johnson is requesting that Maverick Street become a one-way street (north to south).

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to complete a study with the residences on Maverick Street to assist in finding the best solution. Ayes: Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen, Evans and Gates.

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Gates to pass Resolution 2025-01. Ayes: Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen, Evans, and Gates.

RESOLUTION 2025-01

A RESOLUTION CREATING A "NO PARKING" ZONE ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF SPRUCE STREET FROM THE INTERSECTION OF NINTH AND SPRUCE STREETS AND EXTENDING SOUTH TO THE INTERSECTION OF EIGHTH AND SPRUCE STREETS IN THE CITY OF GORDON, NEBRASKA.

WHEREAS, Spruce Street from Ninth to Eighth Street in Gordon, is frequently congested with delivery vehicles and employee parking which is directly related to Gordon Memorial Hospital, and,

WHEREAS, the residential parking also contributes to the above recognized issue, and

WHEREAS, this congestion impedes the flow of traffic in both directions and causes issues with the ingress and egress for residents from their driveways, and,

WHEREAS, creating a "NO PARKING" zone on the west side of Spruce Street from the intersection of Ninth and Spruce to the intersection of Eight and Spruce would assist with the flow of traffic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GORDON, that a "NO PARKING" zone shall be declared and approved for the west side of Spruce Street from the intersection of Ninth and Spruce Streets to the intersection of Eight and Spruce Streets in Gordon, Sheridan County, Nebraska from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. Said parking restriction shall not apply to delivery vehicles in the process of actively unloading or loading or making bona fide deliveries.

Passed and approved this 30th day of January, 2025.

_/s/ Alyssa Dehart_____
Alyssa Dehart / Council President

ATTEST:
_/s/ Kim Buchan_____
Kim Buchan / City Clerk

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to go into Executive Session at 7:10 pm for the purposes of personnel issues regarding Item P: Employee Review – City Manager John Reed. Ayes: Dehart, Petersen, Evans, Gates, and Woodbeck.

With no action taken, Council reconvened in regular session at 7:59 pm. Motion by Gates, seconded by Petersen to terminate the contract of City Manager John Reed. Ayes: Gates, Petersen and Evans. Nays: Woodbeck and Dehart.

With no further business, motion by Woodbeck seconded by Petersen to adjourn at 8:04 pm. Ayes: Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen, Evans, and Gates.

/s/ Kim Buchan
City Clerk

/s/ Alyssa Dehart
Council President

I, the undersigned, Deputy 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 January 30, 2025; 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 were written from 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