June 26, 2025

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., June 26, 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: Dehart, Petersen, Gates and Woodbeck.
Absent: Evans.

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2025 meeting. Ayes: Petersen, Gates, Woodbeck and Dehart.

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 Woodbeck to approve the Payroll Warrants. Ayes: Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart and Petersen.

PAYROLL WARRANTS

EFTPS	**Federal Tax Payment System**	**RE**	**$10,792.84**
EFTPS	**NE Child Support Pymnt Center**	**RE**	**$260.77**
55509	**City of Gordon**	**RE**	**$700.00**
55510	**Credit Management Services**	**RE**	**$180.57**
55511	**Flex Spending**	**RE**	**$100.00**
55512	**NW Mutual**	**RE**	**$4,261.08**
EFTPS	**AFLAC**	**RE**	**$2,020.78**
EFTPS	**Ameritas - Vision Ins**	**RE**	**$261.36**
EFTPS	**Ameritas - Dental Ins**	**RE**	**$582.44**
EFTPS	**NE Dept of Revenue**	**RE**	**$2,884.80**
EFTPS	**NW Mutual**	**RE**	**$591.21**
EDEP	**Employee Paychecks 6/20/25**	**SA**	**$35,960.81**
	TOTAL PAYROLL WARRANTS		**$58,596.66**

Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to approve the June 26, 2025 Expense Warrants. Ayes: Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen and Gates.

EXPENSE WARRANTS

EFTPS	**Airport Authority**	**RE**	**$1,943.53**
EFTPS	**Airport Bond Savings MM**	**RE**	**$902.61**
EFTPS	**BC/BS**	**EX**	**$17,263.65**

55513	**Beguin Vet Clinic**	**RE**	**$10.00**
55514	**BC Tire**	**SE**	**$318.00**
55515	**DAS State Accounting**	**SE**	**$143.00**
55516	**Fyr-Tek**	**EX**	**$220.00**
55517	**Scott Fleming**	**RE**	**$400.00**
55518	**Great Plains**	**SE**	**$1,528.56**
55519	**Cengage/Gale**	**SU**	**$34.84**
55520	**Greenamyre Contractor & Bldr**	**EX**	**$10,400.00**
55521	**Library Petty Cash**	**RE**	**$49.83**
55522	**MASA**	**EX**	**$882.00**
55523	**Michael Orthman**	**SE**	**$150.00**
55524	**Quill**	**SU**	**$100.04**
55525	**BH Energy**	**SE**	**$1,573.39**
55526	**Sales Tax Infrastructure MM**	**RE**	**$13,743.87**
55527	**Jerald Hardin dba That Tree Man**	**SE**	**$150.00**
55528	**USPS**	**SE**	**$220.00**
55529	**Verizon**	**SE**	**$253.09**
55530	**US Treasury**	**FE**	**$90.16**
55531	**Anna Vander Griend**	**SE**	**$1,170.00**
55532	**Westco**	**SU**	**$2,059.78**
55533	**Daniel King**	**SE**	**$450.00**
	TOTAL EXPENSE WARRANTS		**$53,606.35**

Jeff Shald submitted a request to the council regarding installing Yield Signs at the intersections of N Spruce and E 4th, and N Ash and E 4th. The intersections both have a history of accidents. Currently there is no signage at these intersections and motorists traveling in all directions treat them as through streets. Public Works Director Kevin Wolkins addressed the council in support of installing the yield signs. Mr. Wolkins's recommendation is that they be installed on the north and south sides of both intersections. Motion by Petersen, seconded by Gates to have City Manager Scott Fleming draft a Resolution to install Yield signs at these intersections. Ayes: Dehart, Petersen, Gates and Woodbeck.

Chuck Hinn has filed an appeal to the Code Enforcement decision regarding the unlicensed van that is currently in the parking lot in the rear of his business, Hinn's Home Furnishings. Mr. Hinn's appeal is based on his statement that the van is used for advertising and therefore, he is requesting that it be allowed to remain. Code Enforcement Officer Jerry Hardin stated that the city currently has no ordinances regarding mobile signage in the business district. Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to table a decision on Mr. Hinn's appeal and direct City Manager Fleming to obtain information on how surrounding cities handle this type of situation. Ayes: Petersen, Woodbeck and Dehart. Abstain: Gates.

City Manager Scott Fleming is requesting that council increase the life insurance benefit that is provided to city employees. Currently, the life insurance policy is $15,000. Council was given cost estimates for $20,000 and $30,000. The cost to the city would increase from $1,020/year to $2,041/year if the council increased the benefit to $30,000. Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Petersen to increase the city employee life insurance policy to $30,000. Ayes: Gates, Woodbeck, Dehart and Petersen.

The council was given an FYI item regarding the city's current building codes. There was confusion at a prior meeting regarding the codes. City code states that the most current version of the building codes are used.

Council was given copies of the actions taken to date regarding the abatement of the dangerous tree at 116 N Ash. The property owner was informed of the agenda item, but was not present at the meeting. Discussion

included what danger the tree presented to other property owners. Code Enforcement Officer Jerry Hardin stated that the tree violated the current ordinances and it is his and the council's responsibility to uphold the ordinances. Councilmembers voiced concerns regarding notification to the property owner. Certified letters have been sent, but the property owner has refused them at the post office. Motion by Woodbeck, seconded by Gates to have the Sheridan County Sheriff's office serve the property owner the paperwork regarding the abatement of the dangerous tree. Ayes: Woodbeck, Dehart, Petersen and Gates.

Council was given the May Manager's report and the May Department reports. No action was taken on these items.

No one spoke during the Public Comments agenda item.

With no further business, motion by Woodbeck seconded by Petersen to adjourn at 6:55 pm. Ayes: Dehart, Petersen, Gates and Woodbeck.

/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 June 26, 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