

May 28, 2002

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 05/28/02 at the Conrad Waste Water Treatment Plant at 6:00 p.m. Those present were Mayor Kenny Sanderson, Shauna Callaway, Bill Gearhart, LeAnn Lynch, and Steve Mugge. Gary Moler and Bruce Marble guided Council in a tour of the treatment plant. Gary Sindalar was also present for questions. Council then reconvened at City Hall at 6:45 p.m. Answering roll call was Shauna Callaway, Bill Gearhart, Robert Lutes, LeAnn Lynch, and Steve Mugge. Mayor Sanderson called the meeting to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dave and Dori Sharp were present to discuss with Council the fact that recent events lead to the digging up of their sewer, in which it was then determined they are not connected to the city sewer system. They have been paying sewer at this resident for 14 years. City Clerk Hoy had went back through records and determined over the past 14 years they have paid \$3904.94 in sewer charges. Council Member Gearhart motioned to refund \$3904.94 to Dave Sharp, seconded by Mugge. Ayes-5. Council instructed Dave Sharp that according to City Code they must be hooked on to city sewer and should make provisions immediately to do so. Sharp indicated this was his desire and has contacted a contractor to do the work.

Mayor ~~Gearhart~~<sup>Sanderson</sup> opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on the fiscal year 2002 budget amendment. With no oral or written objections or comments the hearing was closed. Lutes then motioned to adopt the budget amendment by resolution #115-5.02, seconded by Mugge. Roll was as follows: Ayes-Gearhart, Callaway, Mugge, Lynch, Lutes. Nays- none.

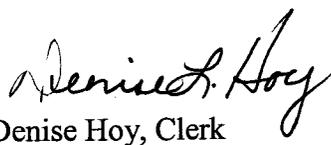
Tom Simmering from Simmering-Cory was present to discuss with council the options for an Urban Revitalization Plan. Council learned of options for tax abatement, a Housing Rehab grant, and a revolving loan pool for commercial establishments. After much discussion Mugge motioned to hire Simmering-Cory to develop an Urban Revitalization Plan, and to write the Housing Rehab Grant application. The Revitalization Plan will cost approximately \$1500, and the grant application process is \$700. Lutes seconded the motion. Ayes-5. Lutes and Lynch also agreed to serve on a sub-committee of the Development Corporation to discuss options for a revolving loan fund. After the criteria has been established the cities Urban Renewal Plan will need to be amended to reflect any changes being made.

Council Member Lutes, seconded by Mugge motioned to adopt job descriptions for the City Clerk, City Janitor, Water/Sewer/Streets Superintendent, and Maintenance Worker I. Ayes-5.

Council discussed recycling options for Conrad residents. The options are to continue with the volunteer recycling center that the City currently operates, or to have the County pickup at the curbside once per month. The cost of the service now is \$5.25 bimonthly, and to have the County pickup is estimated to cost \$6.00 bimonthly. Citizens are encouraged to visit with council members about their recycling options. The item will be placed on the next regular Council meeting agenda.

With no further business evident, council adjourned in a motion at 8:40 p.m.

Kenny Sanderson, Mayor

  
Denise Hoy, Clerk