

Regular Meeting
July 9, 1990

The regular meeting of the Conrad City Council was called to order by Mayor Bill Gearhart at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Council members present: Sanderson, Schiebel, Reece, King, Lutes
Others present: Edith Whannel, Dean Seaton, Linda Waugh, Gary Moler, Dave Colin, Bob Kruse, Don & Carolyn Bracy, Shane & Cathy Tiernan, Joel Danielson, Don Kliebenstein, Jim & Diana Hillygus, Roger & Jan Beeghly

The minutes of the June 11 and June 18 meetings were approved.

The treasurer's report was accepted in a motion by Sanderson, second by King. Carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Cheryl Meester	Clerk's hours	41.55
Shane Tiernan	Bldg permit	15.00
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills	2,099.33
Reva Ladehoff	Cleaning	12.00
Conrad Park Board	Budget allot. FY 90-91	20,000.00
Iowa State Fire School	Fire School/Colin	25.00
Ross Hartwig	Labor	20.00
Cheryl Meester	Clerk's Hours	16.16
Bill Gearhart	Mayor's salary	450.00
Kathy Grant	Treasurer's salary	175.00
Ken Sanderson	Council salary	201.23
Alan Schiebel	" "	180.00
Verne A. Reece	" "	290.68
Dorothy King	" "	162.50
Robert Lutes	" "	162.50
Carol Whipple	Special mtg.	25.00
David Colin	Mileage & meals/Fire School	80.75
Post Master	Stamps	40.00
First State Bank	Fed WH & SS 6/90	1,862.66
Richard Anderson	Mowing	56.00
Radio Communications	Pager repair	32.00
Gearhart Welding	Repairs/pump	442.03
John Hanzelka	Repair engine	158.25
Davis Water & Waste Ind.	Parts for pumps	1,995.91
Kliebenstein, Heronimus, Schmidt	2nd qtr. 1990	1,232.50
Conrad Record	Publication & copies	108.48
Lindaman Labs	Lab tests	45.00
Bob's Farm Center	Diesel fuel	14.09
American Legion #681	Flag	15.00
Conrad Independent Insurance	Insurance renewal	14,047.00
Kibby Inc.	Supplies	143.86
Conrad Foods	Water & supplies	10.39
First State Bank	Fee/pledging system	300.00
League of Iowa Municipalities	Dues 1990	325.00
M & M Sales Co.	Time clock	288.22
Schiebel Electric	Repair/shelter house	15.34
Timber Creek Sod Farm	Installation of sod	1,143.32
GTE North	Bills 6/90	217.50
Bidall	Mosquito & fly control	988.68
Marshall Office Supply	Time clock, cards & supplies	334.85
HACH	Detergent	23.55
Casey's General Store	Gas	160.41
NAPA Auto Parts	Supplies	203.65
Grundy County Landfill	Landfill 7/90	838.34

Motion by King, second by Reece that the above bills be accepted and warrants drawn on the same. Carried.

Total revenue for June 1990: \$21,355.59	
General - 10,839.23	Road Use Tax - 4,825.45
Sewer - 711.33	Debt Service - 1,403.67
Water - 1595.91	'87 Street - 1,980.00

One building permit was issued:
Mike Studd Deck \$300.00

Gary Moler reported the following:

- Two pumps at south lift station have been rebuilt
- Plant flooded in June when creek crested above intake in plant
- Need to put 220 on pole at south lift station so controls won't be under water

Dave Colin reported:

- All limbs picked up from storm
- Chain saw and tractor radiator have been repaired
- Will move sand and dirt piles to old dump site
- Will repair some signs on Main St. and also check to see if any of the signs on North Main can be removed
- Will paint lines on Main St. before Black Dirt Days

Bob Kruse reported 27 complaints during the month of June. Also one accident. Kruse would like a "Resume Speed" sign put up at Duesenberg Drive on the west side of the street. He will notify Dave Colin to put it up.

Kruse was authorized to order a light bar for the police car in a motion by Lutes, second by Sanderson. Carried. Approximate cost is \$400.

Sanderson reported he had been in contact with Fishel Construction and they were behind due to rain. They have tentatively scheduled the work for August 6. Fishel will be in town around the 21st of July to go over the streets with Sanderson and Colin.

A lengthy discussion was held with Don Kliebenstein in regard to a dangerous animal ordinance. The council and attorney had reviewed several ordinances from other cities before the meeting. It was agreed the ordinance should include all animals not just dogs.

Carolyn Bracy, owner of a pit bull, was asked if she had any comment. She stated that it was documented in Des Moines that most dog bites were from spaniels not pit bulls. She had been in contact with a lawyer in Des Moines and he will send the mayor information in regard to pit bulls and her rights as an owner.

Don Kliebenstein will draft an ordinance and get it to the council members by next week.

Cliff Wilson, Ritchie Industries, was present to ask that a utility pole in the alley east of Ritchie's be moved 2 feet to the east and that a utility box that goes into the building be secured. Curb stops will be put on the parking at the south end of the alley and no paving will be requested at this time. He would like to see the alley graded periodically.

Schiebel introduced the motion to adopt the second reading of Ordinance 188, second by Sanderson.

Vote was: Ayes: Sanderson, Schiebel, King, Lutes
Nays: Reece

Motion carried.

King made the motion to move from the second to the third reading.

Vote was: Ayes: Sanderson, Schiebel, King, Lutes
Nays: Reece

Motion carried.

King introduced the motion to adopt the second reading of Ordinance 189, second by Lutes.

Vote was: Ayes: Sanderson, Schiebel, King, Lutes
Nays: Reece

Motion carried.

King made the motion to move from the second to the third reading.

Vote was: Ayes: Sanderson, Schiebel, King., Lutes
Nays: Reece

Motion carried.

Rollie Sumwalt was appointed to a six year term as Rural Representative on the Library Board in a motion by Reece, second by Sanderson, carried.

Schiebel made the motion to submit Dave Colin's name to the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy for a twelve week session beginning April of 1991. Second by Reece. Carried.

Jim & Diana Hillygus, Roger & Jan Beeghly and Edith Whannel and her son-in-law, Dean Seaton were present and asked the council what the time frame was for action from the city's insurance company in regard to the damage done by sewage backed up in their basements during the rain storm on June 17th. They were told that their complaints had been filed with the insurance company and would have to wait for them to send an adjuster.

The group also asked what the council intended to do in the future so this wouldn't happen again. The mayor and council felt that nothing could have been done to prevent what happened, the sewer plant simply couldn't take the water because of the high level of the creek and backed up. Seaton felt the city should share the cost with property owners for wedge valves or check valves for their sewer lines.

Mayor Gearhart stated that he would check with the insurance company and get back to them and then discuss this matter further at the next council meeting.

Joel Danielson, chairman of the Steering Committee for Black Dirt Days, informed the council that \$300,000 in liability insurance for the celebration will be purchased and would like the city to follow through with their contribution of \$500 toward the cost of the insurance. He will contact Dave Colin in regard to streets being closed for the event.

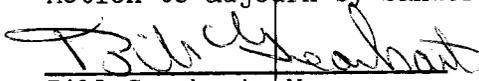
The council will look at the ditch on Frank Bever's property in the Clemen's addition to see if he can tile and fill the ditch. The decision will be made at the August meeting.

Reece made the motion to pay one half the cost of the repair to Helen Shine's sewer line. Second by Schiebel. Carried. The line was broken where it joins a riser pipe installed by the city because the line is so deep in that area.

Mayor Gearhart stated he would like to have a guide for contractors typed up in the future in regard to requirements for driveway cuts, street cuts and etc.

He also reported that Rick Penning will furnish the city with a report of all that happens in Conrad. It will include a break down of calls, problem, officer, date and time.

Motion to adjourn by Sanderson, second by Reece. Carried.


Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: 
Carol Whipple, Clerk