

Regular Meeting
December 12, 1988

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: Gary Moler, Dave Colin, Chuck Friend, Bob Kruse, Cliff Wilson, Dave Crow, Don Kliebenstein

The minutes of the November 14th meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report was approved in a motion by Schiebel, second by Sanderson. Carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

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| Post Office | Stamps | 50.00 |
| Iowa Electric Light and Power | Bills 11/88 | 2,135.04 |
| Time Insurance Co. | Premium 12/88 | 802.00 |
| Reva Ladehoff | Cleaning 11/88 | 12.00 |
| City of Conrad's Bond Cking Acct | Interest/87 St. Imp. | 10,440.99 |
| John Matney | Water deposit refund | 13.21 |
| First State Bank | Interest/Tax Inc. Rev. Note | 6,790.00 |
| City of Conrad's Bond Cking Acct | Bond & coupon payment | 25,845.00 |
| Post Office | Box rent | 17.00 |
| City of Conrad's Bond Cking Acct | Coupons | 3,600.00 |
| First State Bank | Fed WH & SS 11/88 | 1,466.38 |
| Treasurer, State of Iowa | Ia WH 11/88 | 213.09 |
| IPERS | IPERS 11/88 | 593.64 |
| Secretary of State | Application/notary public | 30.00 |
| Thomas Till | Water deposit refund | 12.17 |
| Bill Hartwig Excavating | Final/Walnut St. Storm Sewer | 1,134.85 |
| Conrad Independent Insurance | Blanket bond renewal | 100.00 |
| Community Title Company | Abstracts | 170.00 |
| Kliebenstein, Heronimus & Schmidt | Legal Serv. Oct. & Nov. '88 | 1,171.60 |
| Loots Manning | Brake shoes/fire truck | 124.52 |
| Bill Hartwig Excavating | Trucking rock | 46.54 |
| Casey's General Store | Gas & misc. | 161.66 |
| Stewart Building Center | Lumber | 3.98 |
| RGC Printing Co. | Perma seal | 19.40 |
| Charlie's Market | Distilled water | 10.04 |
| Clapsaddle-Garber Associates | Eng. Services Nov. '88 | 2,760.00 |
| Ed M. Feld Equipment | Bunker pants and nozzle | 1,562.00 |
| Kibby, Inc. | Supplies | 36.61 |
| Conrad Tire & Auto | Muffler & pipe/police car | 69.41 |
| Conrad Pronto | Gas 11/88 | 171.98 |
| Campbell Supply | Chain | 208.98 |
| Conrad Record | Publication 11/88 | 119.57 |
| Gearhart Machine & Welding | Repair sweeper & water wagon | 779.40 |
| General Telephone | Bills 11/88 | 230.82 |
| City of Marshalltown | Lab tests | 45.00 |
| Marshall Office Supply | Office supplies | 84.24 |
| Cessford Construction | Sylvax & roadstone | 349.98 |
| Home Care of Iowa | UPS charges | 2.71 |
| Conrad NAPA Auto Supply | Tie strips | 52.50 |
| Iowa Rural Water Association | Membership '89 | 75.00 |
| BARCO | Barricade & gloves | 81.40 |
| Conrad Sales Co., Inc. | Tractor/fan/belt & seals | 249.49 |
| Shilanek & White | Well #4/pump, fittings, labor | 3,672.95 |
| ACCO | Flow indicators, lime | 616.55 |
| Friday's | Check alternator & misc. | 19.20 |
| Radio Communications | Parts for pagers | 76.20 |
| Bob's Farm Center | Diesel fuel | 24.37 |
| McNair's | Tow car | 19.50 |
| City of Beaman | B-CERT budget allot. '88-'89 | 1,250.00 |
| Grundy County Auditor | Landfill 12/88 | 838.34 |

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

Total revenue for November 1988:

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| General - 20,856.98 | Debt Service - 5,546.22 |
| Sewer - 1,147.14 | '78 St. Assmt. - 157.50 |
| Water - 1,831.50 | '82 St. Assmt. - 970.92 |
| Road Use Tax - 3,593.19 | '87 St. Assmt. - 4,225.33 |
| Federal Revenue Sharing - 12,593.88 | Tax Increment - 7,073.72 |
| (Transfer from TCD) | (Transfer from TCD) |

No building permits were issued during November.

Gary Moler reported the following:

- New pump at Well #4 producing well - gained 75% per minute.
- Water tower contractor using electricity out of control house at present tower
- Finish with sylvax on Walnut Street
- Will check on grease seals for the pumps at the waste water plant

Mayor Gearhart reported leaving the committees for 1989 the same as for 1988 and appointed Alan Schiebel to serve on the county wide 911 committee.

Don Kliebenstein was asked to write letters to Frank Katzer in regard to two unlicensed vehicles on his property and to Danny Schiebel in regard to an automobile belonging to him stored on city property.

Arlyn Schipper will blow snow for the city because Wayne Kopsa is unable to because of health problems.

Cliff Wilson presented a petition with approximately 147 signatures to the council asking the council to take the proper steps to eliminating the dangerous and hazardous situation existing as a result of the abandoned structure on the Kenneth F. Brockway and James E. Brockway property in Conrad.

Wilson stated he has contacted Jim Brockway several times in regard to purchasing the property but nothing could be worked out.

Don Kliebenstein stated that the nuisance aspect in regard to this property is marginal. Unsightliness does not make it a public nuisance.

He also noted that this is part of Conrad's Urban Renewal District and could be acquired by city, demolished and sold at auction or private sale. Wilson stated he would be interested in helping the city acquire the property.

If acquired by the city and sold the owner needs to build a structure there within a specified time. If the property is kept by the city it would also need to be used and couldn't be left vacant.

After some discussion it was agreed that Mayor Gearhart visit with Bob Klein and ask him to contact Jim Brockway in regard to selling the property.

In a motion by King, second by Reece, the Chemical Dependency Service Center will be granted \$1260 in the FY 89-90 budget. Motion carried.

Dave Crow, representing B-CERT presented that organization's budget asking that the city provide \$1250 for FY 89-90. King made a motion to allot \$1250 to B-CERT for FY 89-90 and also to pay the \$1250 for FY 88-89 that has not been paid as yet. Second by Sanderson and carried.

Crow also discussed the rescue vehicle that will be donated to B-CERT possibly in January or February by General Telephone. B-CERT plans to spend \$2950 of their budget for labor and materials to modify the van to fit their needs. Operation, maintenance, license and insurance will be paid out of the B-CERT budget. The City of Conrad will be asked to hold title to the vehicle, have their insurance carrier provide coverage, house the vehicle in the Conrad Fire Station, license the vehicle as an official vehicle of the city and recognize

the vehicle as an official emergency vehicle.

This proposal presented by Crow was approved in a motion by Lutes, second by Sanderson. Carried.

Dave Colin presented the Fire Department budget for FY 89-90 asking \$15,953 from the City. He also presented bids for an antenna to install at the fire station in order to use the old radio out of the police car. Radio Communications, Waterloo bid was \$299 and Fairchild Communications, Boone was \$250. This matter was tabled until checking further. Colin passed out the Standard Operating Procedure of the Fire Department to the council and asked that they read it and approve it at the next meeting.

Rene' Lynch presented the library budget for next year. The library is asking for an increase of \$1,080 from the city or \$30,010 from the city and Lynch explained this was to help cover salaries and an increase of 9% in the cost of books this year.

Lynch also passed out a copy of an article in the Southwest Iowa Regional Library newsletter in regard to legislation that would give city councils power to alter board structures of libraries, park boards and etc. by a simple council vote.

The council asked that the clerk and Lynch draft a letter for the council to sign and send to the state legislators in regard to this matter.

Schiebel made a motion to approve the Class C beer permit and Sunday Sales permit for Charlie's Market. Second by Sanderson. Carried.

Motion by Reece, second by Sanderson to erect a stop sign at the alley entrance to Walnut Street adjacent to Ritchie Industries. Carried.

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Resolution

Council member Schiebel introduced the resolution approving the Street Construction Program report for July 1, 1989 to June 30, 1990 and moved it be adopted. Council member Lutes seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call vote: Ayes: Sanderson, Schiebel, Reece, King, Lutes

Nays: None

Mayor Gearhart declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 12th day of December, 1988.

Bill Gearhart
Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: Carol Whipple
Carol Whipple, Clerk

The council agreed to visit with Dave Fox of CGA about a dip in the sanitary sewer line on Walnut St. before the street is repaired next summer.

Reece reported that the tree behind City Hall is now scheduled to be taken out in the spring.

Discussion was held on financing of the new water tower. Don Kliebenstein will visit with the bonding attorney as to the feasibility of advertising in the Conrad Record to take bids on a tax exempt note. If this is possible he will have the notice and paper work drawn up by the bonding attorney.

Lutes will contact Bill Hartwig about the south lift station project.

Schiebel Electric presented a bid of \$464 for labor and a strobe light to be used as an alarm system at the south lift station.

There was a motion by Sanderson, second by Lutes to accept this bid. Carried.

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

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