

Regular Meeting  
September 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: Dave Crow, Gary Moler, Don Kliebenstein, Dave Fox, JoeAnn Ennenga, Linda Waugh, Dave Colin, Bob Kruse, Johanna Katzer, Cliff Wilson & Bruce McLaughlan

The minutes of the August 8 and August 29 meetings were approved.

The treasurer's report was approved in a motion by Sanderson and second by Reece. Carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Ed Jebousek	Bldg. permit	15.00
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Reva Ladehoff	Cleaning	12.00
Ed Jebousek	Bldg. permit	40.00
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills	2,321.67
Time Insurance Co.	Premium 9/88	776.00
Shane Tiernan	Bldg. permit	15.00
IPERS	IPERS 8/88	464.74
First State Bank	Fed WH & SS 8/88	1,092.52
Treasurer, State of Iowa	IA WH 8/88	157.70
Post Office	Stamps	50.00
Conrad Sales Co., Inc.	Repairs	27.43
Carl's Electric Service	Check sewage pump	26.00
Acco Unlimited	Supplies	71.40
Conrad Independent Insurance	Work comp & liab. audits	122.00
Bidall	Supplies	898.32
Utility Equipment	Fitting	16.32
Bob's Farm Center	All Weather	19.70
Iowa State Industries	Signs	146.02
Conrad Tire & Auto	Repairs	132.13
Firestone	Tires & tube	105.00
Conrad Cooperative	Supplies & Bobcat rental	67.26
City of Marshalltown	Lab tests	38.00
Gearhart Machine & Welding	Check sweeper	27.43
Conrad Ready Mix	Concrete	50.50
HACH	Supplies	31.05
Conrad Pharmacy	Film & pictures	18.98
General Telephone	Bills	194.90
Grundy County Engineer	2nd 1/2 '87 Asphalt Proj.	10,993.26
RGC Printing	Signs	22.10
Animal Rescue League	Boarding & euthanasia	38.50
Conrad Record	Publication	53.21
Clarey's Safety Equipment	Fire hose	341.95
Ed. M. Feld Equipment Co.	Firedex gloves	68.00
Casey's General Store	Gas & misc.	50.85
Conrad Pronto	Gas	281.46
Cessford Construction	Roadstone	151.90
Bill Hartwig Excavating	Repair leaks & trucking	1,105.44
Kibby, Inc.	Supplies	72.96
Heronimus Sand & Gravel	Bill sand	142.50
Conrad NAPA Auto Supply	Parts & supplies	141.40
Home Care of Iowa	UPS charges	1.80
Community Title Co.	Abstract	105.00
Zeidler's, Inc.	Storm sewer/Walnut St.	8,499.44
Iowa Wholesale Supply	Walnut St./Storm Sewer	332.88
Clapsaddle Garber Assoc.	Eng. serv./Storm Sewer	498.95
Simmering-Cory, Inc.	Administrative services	1,500.00
Clapsaddle-Garber Assoc.	Eng. serv./Water tower	4,968.00
Grundy County Auditor	Landfill 9/88	838.34
Union Ambulance Service	Ambulance subsidy	500.00
B-CERT	Ambulance subsidy	1,000.00
Marshalltown Paramedics	Ambulance subsidy	1,453.00
Bill Hartwig Excavating	Walnut St. Storm Sewer	15,475.50

Motion by King, second by Reece that the above bills be accepted and

warrants drawn on the same. Carried.

Total revenue for August, 1988:	\$36,176.97
General - 13,640.86	Debt Service - 2,982.71
Sewer - 1,490.50	'82 St. Assmt. - 3,862.09
Water - 2,759.73	'87 St. Assmt. - 7,141.28
Road Use Tax - 4,299.80	

Building permits were issued to:

Bernita Klinefelter	Home	\$92,000
Ron Koch	Garage	4,800
Larry Olson	Garage & storage	6,000
Dean Ladehoff	Garage	1,500

Gary Moler reported the following:

-Lutes and Moler decided not to do the extensive work at the South Lift Station. A line going to the lift station will be replaced at approximately \$2500. Also, Schiebel will investigate the expense of improving the alarm system. Schiebel made a motion to replace the line going to the lift station, second by Reece. Carried.

-The dissolved oxygen probe is not working and that a new one would cost \$400. He was authorized to purchase one in a motion by Lutes, second by Sanderson. Carried.

-Paul Simms sewer line in the Clemens Addition is finished and the water line will be soon.

-Iowa Rural Water Association found a broken water main at the Darlene Markwitz residence.

-State is beginning a voluntary certification of labs and eventually all testing will have to be done by a certified lab.

Cliff Wilson presented a letter to the council proposing an alternate request other than purchasing the alley south of the former Schwienebart property now owned by Ritchie. He requested a permanent easement of that alley and if a garage on the JoeAnn Ennenga property is legally altered to give access from the east an easement would be provided by Ritchie.

The council stated they wished to clarify that the former Schwienebart property now owned by Ritchie was to be used only for parking after the construction at Ritchie is completed.

A letter was also received from JoeAnn Ennenga to reaffirm her objection to closing this alley. She stated if the city sold the alley she requested to buy the half that joins her property. (Her son Mike Bolton also previously requested to purchase the south half of the alley.) If not sold she requested a permanent easement on that half of the alley.

After much discussion including the possibility of a yearly license for Ritchie to use the north eight feet of the alley for parking and the need for a stop sign at the alley exit to Center Street there was a motion by Verne Reece to deny Ritchie Industries or Mike Bolton an opportunity to purchase and close the alley. Second by King. Carried.

The matter was tabled until the next regular council meeting when the council could look at a drawing as to how Ritchie planned to lay out the parking lot and to investigate that portion of the alley being used for a possible turn around area.

Johanna Katzer approached the council about the small area of yard directly behind the City Hall and asked that the city maintain this property. She stated the vines on the building shed leaves in the fall and she asked who the tree there belonged to as it needs to be trimmed. She was assured the city would maintain the property in the future.

Dave Crow, president of B-CERT, requested a portion of the \$2953 ambulance subsidy that the city will disperse. He stated that because there is no EMS Council in Grundy County they cannot apply for any of the \$6,000 state money allowed to Grundy County. In a motion by King, second by Reece the money will be dispersed as follows: B-CERT - \$1,000, Union Ambulance - \$200 and Marshalltown Paramedics - \$1453. Motion carried.

The council approved a change order in the amount of \$1,690 from Bill Hartwig for the Walnut Street Storm Sewer Project in a motion by Reece, second by Schiebel. Carried.

Progress Payment #1 to Bill Hartwig for the same project for \$15,475.50 was approved in a motion by Lutes, second by Sanderson. Carried.

Dave Fox, CGA, presented the plans for the water tower and 8" water line and reviewed them with the council. The tower will be 120 feet from the footing to the top of the tank. The 8" water line will run along the north edge of Center Street from Church St. a half a block to the alley and then south to the Ritchie building. Temporary hook-ups during this time were discussed.

The date for the bid letting will be set a a special meeting in September.

Don Kliebenstein will prepare the papers in regard to the Bill Gearhart property on Washington St. A public hearing will be held and a small piece of this property sold to Gearhart because after being surveyed it was discovered that his building is in the street right of way.

Ordinance #181, an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, was adopted in a motion by Reece, second by Sanderson. Carried. The ordinance was moved from the first to the third reading in a motion by Schiebel, second by Sanderson. Carried.

This ordinance changes the Board of Adjustment from five to seven members and the publication to 5 days prior to a hearing.

RESOLUTION

COUNCIL MEMBER KING INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STREET FINANCE REPORT, THE STREET CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM REPORT AND ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND MOVED IT BE ADOPTED. COUNCIL MEMBER SCHIEBEL 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 SEPTEMBER, 1988.

Bill Gearhart  
BILL GEARHART, MAYOR

ATTEST: Carol Whipple  
CAROL WHIPPLE, CLERK

Three bids for general maintenance and small construction projects were received and accepted by the council: Schiebel Electric for \$22.00 per hour, R & M Repair for \$20.00 per hour and wrecker service at \$1.25 per loaded mile, Gearhart Machine & Welding \$22.50 per hour.

Alan Schiebel and Verné Reece were authorized to deal with Friday's on the purchase of a new Colt Station Wagon for the police department. Bids were received from Friday's for a Colt Wagon at \$11,456 and a Dodge Caravan at \$13,555.

Dave Colin, Fire Chief, asked the council to help the Fire Department purchase a new tank for the tank wagon as the present on is rusting. A new one would cost \$3,000 to \$4,000 and the Fire Department planned to have fund raisers to acquire a portion of the money. The council thought it should first be drained and thoroughly inspected before any action was taken.

The council discussed funding for the water tower. Don Kliebenstein stated it would be cheaper to sell all general obligation bonds. With the funds on hand and the grant money available it will probably be necessary to sell \$250,000 in bonds.

Lutes stated that the stumps along the Dick Geise property on Lillian should be removed so the area could be graded. Gearhart will check with Hartwig to see what the cost would be and if he has time to do it this fall.

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

Bill Gearhart  
Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: Carol Whipple  
Carol Whipple, Clerk