

Special Meeting  
April 22, 1991

Present: Sanderson, Schiebel, Reece, King, Lutes  
Absent: None

Others present: Linda Waugh, Larry Ladehoff, Otto Brandt, Ron Ladehoff,  
Kent Higgins, Randy Adelmund, Jane S. Gallentine, John  
Cleary and Gene Blythe

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

He stated the first item of business was to determine if a vehicle was  
going to be purchased by the Fire Department and if it was, whether it  
would be a tank and chassis or just a tank to use on the existing truck.

The price for the tank would be \$18,000 - \$20,000 and for the truck  
\$21,000 to \$22,000. A new pump would cost approximately \$3,000.

Kent Higgins stated the Beaman Cooperative was interested in purchasing  
the present truck for \$5,000.

There was a motion by Reece, second by Sanderson for the Fire Department  
to draw up the specs and get bids for a new tank and chassis. Motion  
carried.

Otto Brandt, Conrad Sales, went over the proposal for an MF50, 4 wheel  
drive tractor with powershuttle transmission with a one year warranty.  
The price of this tractor is \$27,990 with trade in. Brandt stated he  
will find out where the city employees could look at a tractor like this  
and let Mayor Gearhart know.

A second bid for a Case 580 Super K for \$25,875 with trade in was dis-  
cussed at a previous meeting.

The council made no decision at this time.

A public hearing on the budget amendment was set for May 13, 1991 at  
7:30 P.M. The budget will be amended in the amount of \$44,050 for a  
city maintenance building and additional funding for the Park Board.

King discussed the possibility of calling in some of the city's bonds  
and paying them off. This could be accomplished if the city sells a  
bond issue this year and adds that amount to the issue. The clerk was  
to contact the city attorney to check on this.

John Cleary, Ryken Engineering, reported he had shot the elevations of  
the two outlets at the sewer plant. The newer line runs straight south  
to the creek. It is 360 feet of 12" pipe at a .22% grade. He thought  
this was satisfactory. The second and older line is 870 feet of 12"  
pipe at a .06% grade. He thought this line probably was picking up as  
much ground water by infiltration as it was flow from the sewer plant.

Cleary knew of no solution to the problem at the sewer plant during  
heavy rainfalls.

Mayor Gearhart reported Moler has purchased a check valve from Water  
Products to put in basement floor drains to prevent back-up into  
the basement. He purchased it for citizens to look at and purchase  
one if they were interested.

The extension of Maple Street west into the Blythe Addition, a cul de  
sac and the extension of Blythe Street north to Lot 17 was discussed  
with John Cleary and Gene Blythe. Also a water line would need to be  
extended across Lots 12 and 13. Some of the points discussed were:

- Not extending Weaver Street and adding two more lots.
- Possibly installing curb and gutter and rolled stone with a two inch  
mat instead of concrete at a cost of \$38,000 instead of \$68,000.
- Whether the property taxes would raise as soon as the lots were  
developed.
- Blythe offered to sell the lots to the city to handle however they  
wanted. (He will get to Mayor Gearhart with a price)
- Have an agreement with Blythe about an option to purchase another  
section of lots.
- Jane Gallentine, Conrad Development Committee, will check on the

feasibility of selling the lots if this project took place.

No decisions were made at this time.

In other business, Randy Adelmund is to check a sewer running from the northeast corner of Main and Center to behind Franzenburg's to determine if it is a storm or sanitary sewer. Buck Hepler who owns the building where Conrad Auto Supply and the Family Eyecare Center are located is having trouble with the rain water from the roof of the Conrad Record going into the basement of his building. He wanted to check the possibility of hooking onto the storm sewer.

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

Bill Gearhart

Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest:

Carol Whipple  
Carol Whipple, Clerk