

December 30th, 1983

At 12 noon the following were sworn in as city officials:
Bill Gearhart, as mayor and Bob Zern, Alan Schiebel and Verne Reece
as councilmen.

January 3rd, 1984

Bob Lutes was sworn in as councilman before the scheduled special meeting.

January 4th, 1984

Brian Mohr, city treasurer and Bob Kruse, Police Chief, were sworn in
at 11:30 A.M.

SPECIAL MEETING
JAN. 3, 1984

A special meeting was called to order by Mayor Gearhart at 7:00 P.M.
in the council chambers for the purpose of reviewing health insurance
proposals.

Council members present: Zern, King, Reece, Schiebel & Lutes
Others present: Jane & Bob Kruse, Chuck Kruse and Doug Kruse

Proposals were presented by Chuck Kruse and Doug Kruse and information
reviewed from Blue Cross Blue Shield, Farmland, National Travelers Life
and the Triple Crown Agency in Grundy Center.

After some discussion Reece made a motion to accept the proposal from
Time Insurance Co. presented by Doug Kruse. Second by King. Carried.

The plan is a \$100 deductible, 80/20 for the next \$3,000., 100%
coverage up to \$300 for each occurrence for accident medical expense,
\$10,000 life insurance and \$10,000 accidental death & dismemberment.
The premium per month is \$351. for the city's three employees.

There was a motion by Zern, second by King to appoint Jerry Zehr to
a 5 year term on the Board of Adjustment. Carried.

Zern made the motion to appoint Brian Mohr City Treasurer for a
two year term. Second by Reece. Carried.

The Federal Revenue Sharing hearing was set for Feb. 13th at
7:30 P.M.

The council agreed to have the water meters read this month by
Gary Moler and Jeff Skartvedt.

Motion to adjourn by Zern, second by King. Carried.


Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: 
Carol Whipple, Clerk

REGULAR MEETING
Jan. 9, 1984

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

Council members present: King, Reece, Schiebel & Lutes
" " absent: Zern

Others present: Sharon Gummert, Don Kliebenstein, Renee Lynch,
Wanda Button, Pearl Miller, David Heintz, Gary Moler,
Jim Bacon, Ed Jebousek, Rilla Fox.

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as read.

The treasurer's report was approved in a motion by Lutes, second by Reece. Carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Reva Ladehoff	Cleaning	11.66
City of Conrad's Bond Cking.	Coupon payment	333.33
Nehring Upholstry	Upholstry @# truck seat	46.80
Gary Moler	Salary 1st ½ 12/83	489.99
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 12/9-12/15/83	177.87
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 12/16/2783	177.15
Sears	Refrig./lab	124.79
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills 11/83	2618.09
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Premium 1/84	425.52
Robert D. Kruse	Salary = 12/83	1088.11
Gary Moler	Salary = 2nd ½ 12/83	490.00
Craig Vinton	Salary =12/83	540.09
Carol Whipple	Salary 12/83	356.62
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 12/23-12/29/83	150.77
Brian Mohr	Treas. salary 4th qtr. '83	150.00
Vane Graham	Mayors salary " " "	306.60
Denny L. Metge	Salary 12/83	93.30
U. S. Post Office	Stamps	40.00
Conrad Library	Copies 4th qtr.	14.20
Conrad Library	Budget allot. 2nd ½ FY 83-84	10,500.00
Conrad Cemetery	" " " " "	350.00
Chemical Dependency Service Ctr.	" " " " "	500.00
Operation Threshold	" " " " "	250.00
Robert Lutes	Council Salary 4th qtr. '83	92.50
Robert Zern	" " " " "	67.50
Vernon Peters	" " " " "	92.50
Bill Gearhart	" " " " "	116.60
Dorothy King	" " " " "	92.50
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 12/31-1/5/84	185.92
Time Insurance Co.	Health Ins. premium 2/84	351.00
Conrad Independent Ins.	Add. '75 Int. truck	99.00
Kliebenstein, Heronimus & Schmidt	Retainer & 4th qtr. '83	592.50
Heronimus Sand & Gravel	Hauling sand	35.66
Schade Lime & Rock	Snow removal	61.25
Mel Hopes	Supplies	55.27
Conrad Sales Co., Inc.	Parts	1.60
Conrad Pharmacy	Office supplies	6.48
B & B Auto Parts	Engine heater	28.50
Bob's Tire & Auto	Battery & tire repair	81.50
SERCO	Water analysis	10.00
Conrad Record	Publications 12/83	93.35
Stewart Building Center	Materials	86.62
Charlies Market	Supplies	1.25
Grundy County Engineer	Sand/salt mix	278.60
Purolator Courier	Transport samples	6.40
Schiebel Electric	Service work on pumps	149.88
General Telephone	Bills 12/83	218.89
HACH	Testing supplies	402.09
Coates Manufacturing Co.	Motor/snow plow	102.73
Wayne Kopsa	Blowing snow	292.50
Water Environment Technology	Oper. w/w facility 12/83	550.00
Graham Equipment Corporation	Spring	5.30
Fisher Scientific	Equip./lab	593.94
Feed-Rite Controls, Inc.	Ball valve & conn.	114.24
Gearhart Machine & Welding	Install box, plow & hyd. valve	1532.47
John's Garage	Signal light & oil filter	35.73
Conrad NAPA Auto Supply	Parts & supplies	173.56
McNair Body Shop	Masks, towing & labor	229.81
Kibby, Inc.	Supplies	249.65
Friday's	Gas & starting truck	185.47
Schleismans DX	Gas & diesel	108.99
Casey's General Store	Gas	167.87
Bob's Farm Center	Diesel fuel	60.36
Grundy County Auditor	Election expense, budget kit	372.50
Grundy County Auditor	Landfill 1/84	662.25

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

Jim Bacon of Operation Threshold presented a budget request of \$500. for the next fiscal year.- the same as requested last year. There

was a motion by Lutes, second by Reece that Operation Threshold be granted \$500. for FY 84-85. Motion carried.

Don Kliebenstein reported that he'd had no response from Cable Syndications and that the thirty days for them to act will be up on January 17th. After this date if there is still no response he will prepare the cancellation ordinance. Then after accepting ~~another~~ ^{of another company} proposal and a \$500. deposit from them the council would need to pass a resolution to hold an election. After the franchise was granted the company would need to post a \$100,000. performance bond. The clerk was asked to contact DowSat & Oak Cable Systems to attend the February meeting.

The council went over a rough draft of the portion of the city code that has been completed by Don Kliebensteins office. Some corrections were made. Kliebenstein will return a corrected copy to the clerk to make copies for the council.

There was a motion by Lutes to adopt the first reading of Ordinance #159. Second by Reece. Motion carried.

A contract with WET, Inc. was examined by Don Kliebenstein. It was determined that any services requested in writing by the city were over and above the cost of the contract. The contract was signed by the Mayor.

Mayor Gearhart reported on a meeting he and King had attended with representatives of Ritchie Industries concerning a proposed expansion of their facility. This would involve vacating the north half block of Church St. between Center and Walnut and Ritchie selling Industrial Revenue Bonds.

Kliebenstein stated that Ritchies would do all of the work involving the bonds other than the city needing to hold a public hearing. The city would own the first mortgage on the bonds and they would be retired by rents paid to the city treasurer. The interest on the bonds is less expensive than borrowing money and there is no risk to the citizens. Ordinance #147, the tax exempt ordinance, was reviewed and noted this would apply to this proposed construction.

The process for vacating a street was discussed. If the public hearing is favorable a resolution would be passed to sell the property involved in the street and vacate it. Ritchie's would receive the deed and the city the purchase price plus cost of publishing, attorney and engineering fees. It was noted by Gearhart that the city should visit with CGA as there are water pipes, storm and sanitary sewers under the street.

A special meeting was set for Jan. 18th at 7:00 P.M. with Ritchies, CGA and Don Kliebenstein.

Schiebel mentioned that he was concerned about the congestion on Main when trucks are unloading, with no alternative route if Church St. is closed.

Pearl Miller presented the library budget request for the next FY for \$22,650. She noted the increase over last year was due to additional staff hours and hours open.

The cemetery budget request prepared by Bud Gallentine is for \$700. the same as requested last FY.

These requests will be considered when the finance committee meets to consider the budget.

Reece made a motion to recognize the Conrad Record as official city newspaper for all legal publications for 1984. Second by Lutes. Carried.

CGA will be retained as city engineers on an "as needed basis" for 1984 in a motion by Schiebel and second by King. Carried.

Motion to retain Don Kliebenstein as city attorney with a retainer fee of \$300. was made by Reece, seconded by King. Carried.

RESOLUTION

COUNCILMEMBER LUTES INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTION NAMING THE FIRST STATE BANK OF CONRAD, IA. AS OFFICIAL CITY DEPOSITORY WITH DEPOSITS NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000. for 1984. COUNCIL MEMBER SCHIEBEL SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: KING, REECE, SCHIEBEL & LUTES

ABSENT: ZERN

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 9TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1984.

BILL GEARHART, MAYOR

ATTEST: Carol Whipple
CAROL WHIPPLE, CLERK

Summer street repairs were discussed. The council felt it a must to repair South Main from Center to the bridge. The clerk was to contact Fishel to meet with the street committee to look at some of the city streets and also to come to the Feb. 13th council meeting.

Moler will refer anyone interested in purchasing the old city truck to Zern or Reece. If the tubeless rims on the new city truck can be sold Moler will change all of the tires on the truck.

Moler asked if the council was interested in paying for Skartvedts courses to be certified. Lutes stated that when he was hired it was in the agreement that if he intended to pursue being certified it would be at his own expense.

It was agreed upon by the council to hire a local citizen to shovel the walk at the city hall and library if he will apply the money to his water and sewer bill.

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

Bill Gearhart
Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: Carol Whipple
Carol Whipple, Clerk

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SPECIAL MEETING
JAN. 18, 1984

Council members present: Zern, Reece, Schiebel & King
" " absent: Lutes

Others present: Don Kliebenstein, Cliff Wilson, T. J. Johnsrud, Roger Vreeland, Hersh Carnes, Greg Hines, Bill Grabe, Leland Wiseman, Milan Phelps, Tim Soule, Rilla Fox & Lowell Schleisman.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gearhart at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss aspects involved in the proposed expansion of Ritchie Industries. Cliff Wilson reviewed the plan in general and presented a list of six points of action necessary to support the proposed expansion. He also presented a plat map showing the area under consideration. These items are enclosed here in the minutes.

Leland Wiseman clarified some points that he felt may have been a concern for some people. These were :

1. No truck loading on the north side of the building - this would be done off the street on the south side. There might possibly be a small walk in door on the south side.
2. Noise level should be reduced because of no openings on the north and the east door would be incorporated in the new section of the building.
3. No plans to widen alley on east side of new building.
4. Water off roofs will be directed to storm sewers.
5. Freight unloading on Main will continue but will not increase.

Wilson stated he has a legal document to be presented to the Presbyterian