

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 06-10-21. Officials present were Council Members Todd Schnathorst, John Dinsmore, Peg Brown and Diane Miller. Lindsay Kuhl was absent. Also in attendance were Lori Stansberry, City Administrator/Clerk and Luke Wilson of CGA. Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The agenda was approved by Brown and seconded by Miller.

Council member Schnathorst made a motion to approve the consent agenda which was seconded by Miller. The consent agenda consisted of the following items: Minutes from the May 13, 2021 council meeting; Clerk’s May 21 financial reports; payment of claims totaling \$239,641.56 and approve May 13 to June 10, 2021 building permits; approve the transfer of RJ’s liquor license from the back of the building to the front of the building for Black Dirt Days; approve Betty Haker to Planning & Zoning & Jeff Okones with terms expiring 12-31-2022; approve Paul Thompson to Library Board with term expiring June 30, 2025 and approve cigarette permits for Caseys and Hometown Foods . Motion approved 5-0.

The following claims include expenses for the City, Park Board, Library, Museum, Fire Department and B-CERT.

Advantage Admin, benefits	745.00	KB Underground, service	480.00
Alliant, utilities	9,353.79	Kobliska Plumbing, service	12,250.00
Bank of America, fuel/supplies	1,258.93	Ladehoff Landscaping, service	5,160.00
Betty Haker, service	75.00	Lori Stansberry, mileage/clothing	337.86
C & C Pest Control, service	75.00	Midwest Alarm, service	360.36
Clapsaddle, engineering	4,631.50	Midwestone Bank, loan payment	69,688.35
Con-Struct, construction	33,081.38	Mike Walton, service	75.00
Conrad Chamber, TIF	15,000.00	Moler Sanitation, services	708.50
Conrad Tire & Auto, service	16.00	New Century FS, fuel	183.55
Demco, booktruck, misc.	1,500.69	Nick Kitzman, fuel	7.93
First National Bank, library exp	4,615.74	Nucara Pharmacy, supplies	100.02
Dean Frazer, rent	3,646.50	Nutrien, fuel, pesticides	1,032.08
Gina Dinsmore, clock	19.99	Petty cash-library, supplies	105.77
Grundy Co Sheriff, service	6,769.49	Petty Cash, pool petty cash	150.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	490.61	Rainbow Intl, carpet cleaning	565.25
Hometown Foods, supplies	1,021.16	RC Systems, service	989.50
Hupp Electric, repairs	17,334.70	Summit Fire Protection, service	1,091.00
IMWCA, workcomp	5,551.00	Test America, lab testing	827.40
Ingram Library Service, supplies	1,981.32	Tri State Lock, service	230.00
Integrity Computer Services	160.00	US Bank, copier lease	221.90
IRS, taxes	5,134.51	Veenstra & Kimm, engineering	4,094.88
Iowa League of Cities, software	50.00	Verizon, cell phone	133.18
Iowa One Call, service	22.50	Westrum Leak Detection, service	400.00
Iowa Regional Utilities, water	9,911.17	Wilkerson Hardware, supplies	135.87
Iowa Wholesale, supplies	62.99		
IPERS, retirement	3,100.30	Payroll, 05/14/21 to 06/14/21	14,185.89
Jason Hines, clothing allowance	100.00		
Jesco Industries, repairs	418.00	Totals Claims	\$ 239,641.56

May 21 receipts and transfers in per fund: General \$18,509; RUT \$11,290; Employee

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Benefits \$1,410; Emergency \$179; LOST \$8,382; TIF \$3,847; Debt Service \$1,591; Water \$40,755; Sanitary Sewer \$33,255 and Storm Water \$4,698. Total \$123,916.

May 21 expenditures and transfers out per fund: General \$34,305; RUT 7,136; Employee Benefits \$2,448; TIF \$69,688; Debt Service \$144,387 Capital Projects \$124,519; Water \$15,443, Sanitary Sewer \$48,728 and Storm Sewer \$20. Total \$446,673.

Wilson gave an update on the Catherine Farmer Subdivision. ConStruct is pretty much done with everything except the fall seeding. Mayor Martin gave an update of the Subdivision Committee meeting that was held prior to council meeting. The subcommittee is looking for ideas to market the lots. If anyone knows of builders that would want to build here or any other leads let the Committee know.

Stansberry gave an overview of the meeting with the Iowa Community Visioning Grant Committee and landscape architects visit which was held on June 2nd. On Wednesday, they toured the community and had a meeting with the committee to get their input on the priorities they sought for Conrad. On the 3rd, they started the design phase in the morning and in the afternoon citizens could come in an look and give their input. One thing the architects said after touring the town is they notice that Conrad takes pride in their community. She told about the different areas that were targeted for changes. She also explained that this will give the City a five year plan and then the City can start applying for grants and she would like to apply for a REAP grant. On the 3rd, the architects made landscape designs and met with several community members to get their input on what they saw for Conrad's vision.

Dinsmore added to Stansberry's statements by stating the momentum is picking up. He said the two architects and intern are fabulous. They listened to the 25-30 people that stopped by the library to give their input. He stated why the process takes about a year and that it is research based. He also talked about how he would like to see a complete loop around Conrad.

Wilson also expanded on the above comments regarding developing a long term plan that we could submit to grants to be competitive. He said he is seeing trail connectively is huge right now for grants. He said there is more grant money coming out there for trails than what people know about.

Brown made a motion and seconded by Dinsmore to approve Resolution #2021-25 approving Cash Transfer Resolution for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Resolution approved 5-0.

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing for the budget amendment for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 at 7:09. There was no one present objecting nor was any written comments received. Dinsmore made a motion and seconded by Miller to approve Resolution #2021-26 approving Cash Transfer Resolution for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Resolution approved 5-0.

Schnathorst made a motion and seconded by Dinsmore to approve Resolution #2021-27 approving Contract with Grundy County Sheriff's Office for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Resolution approved 5-0.

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Schnathorst made a motion and was seconded by Brown to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Jeff Martin, Mayor

Lori Stansberry, Administrator/Clerk