

June 11, 2015

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 06/11/15 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Peg Brown, Ryan Callaway, Diane Miller (arrived at 7:02PM), Brad Murty, and Todd Schnathorst. Also in attendance: Attorney Kirby Schmidt, Engineer Lee Gallentine, Mark Lamar with SL Baumeier, and a member of the press. Mayor Jeff Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The agenda was approved as presented.

Council member Callaway moved, second by Schnathorst, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 05/14/15 council meeting; May 2015 clerk's financial reports; Payment of claims totaling \$82,348.35; Transfer resolution #2015-06.2; Re-appointment of Amy Drummer to the Library Board; Cigarette permits for Casey's General Store & Hometown Foods; Acknowledged building permits. Ayes: 4.

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

Advantage Admin, benefits	515.00	IRS, taxes	5,789.74
Alliant, utilities	4,269.58	IDNR, training	240.00
Bank of America, fuel/training	790.67	IPERS, benefit	2,696.29
Bankers Leasing, copier lease	115.00	Jana Smith, mileage	46.73
Bergman Lawn Care, spray	1,127.73	Kling Memorial, Hoopla	1,500.00
Book Look, books	191.88	Ledford Tree, service	200.00
CH McGuiness, repairs	1,116.75	Library Petty Cash	143.97
Car & Driver, periodical	16.05	Lisa Purvis, bldg permit	30.00
Casey's, fuel	78.43	Menards, supplies	113.02
CID, supplies	328.00	Mid-America, publishing	238.76
Cessford OMG, patchwork	1,255.76	Mid-Iowa Coop, fuel	11.58
Chad Callaway, refund	57.00	MidwestOne, pool cash	150.00
Chris Harris, mileage	155.83	Mike Walton, window clean	75.00
CIWA, water	9,258.54	Moler Sanitation, services	1,147.50
Conrad Auto, misc.	23.62	Monkeytown, supply	161.42
Chamber Main Street, allocation	9,500.00	Moore Medical, supplies	400.24
Conrad Tire, repair	22.00	Myers-Cox, concession	839.64
Crop Production, fuel/snow	238.39	Pete Busch, pool	103.77
Dave Blackburn, mowing	228.00	Plastic Recycling, tables	4,122.50
Dave Juchems, mileage	17.83	Premier Office, tech	68.23
Electric Supply, supply	18.60	Reliable, supplies	13.04
First National Bank, library supply	237.54	Robert Coulter, museum	12.82
GCLA, books	119.99	Sebco, books	399.53
Gina Dinsmore, pool	61.69	State of Iowa, sales tax	2,694.00
Grundy Co. Extension, program	15.00	Test America, lab	366.45
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	5,614.31	Book Farm, books	14.95
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	425.11	Todd Schnathorst, pool	721.50
Hometown Foods, concession	264.96	Verizon, cell phone	84.10
Hutch Screen Printing, tees	459.00	Zehr Enterprises, service	100.00
IaCMA, dues	120.00	Payroll, 05/15/15 to 06/11/15	17,112.45
IMWCA, work comp	5,816.00		
Ingram, books	292.86	Totals Claims	\$82,348.35

06/11/15 council proceedings continued

May 2015 expenses per fund: General \$21,653, Road Use Tax \$6,768; Employee Benefit \$2,900; LOSST \$2,175; Debt Service \$26,086; Smith Development \$6,621; Water \$14,706; Sewer \$34,259; Sewer Sinking \$94,412. Total \$207,580.

May 2015 receipts per fund: General \$22,675; RUT \$5,006; Employee Benefits \$1,740; Local Option \$6,332; TIF \$6,256; Debt Service \$1,370; Water \$32,512; Sewer \$31,223; Sewer Sinking \$24,146; Storm Water Utility \$4,112. Total \$135,372

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing on the FY2015 budget amendment. Clerk Hoy announced the amendment included an increase in revenues by \$588,606 and expenses \$572,519. With no oral or written comments or objections the hearing was closed.

Council member Brown moved, second by Schnathorst to adopt the FY2015 Budget Amendment as published and presented. Ayes: Miller, Callaway, Schnathorst, Murty, Brown.

Under the Smith Development update council discussed crop damages that occurred during construction. Murty indicated that he estimated the damages to be around \$17. Mark Lamar, SL Baumeier, said that he would contact Anderson and settle up with him directly.

A pay request was presented by Lee Gallentine for Baumeier in the amount of \$201,300.25. Gallentine said that the project was substantially complete and that he had received verbal confirmation regarding testing but was waiting on the written paper work. There is also a punch list that will need to be completed once Gallentine puts it together. The pay estimate includes retainage of \$16,685 which will cover all punch list items. After much discussion regarding the pay estimate, and penalties for not having the contract complete on time, council member Schnathorst moved to withhold \$152,000 (the amount of accumulated penalty at \$800 per day) from the \$201,300.52 pay request. With no second offered, the motion failed. Council member Miller then moved to pay SL Baumeier 50% of the \$201,300.25 pay request, Brown seconded. Ayes: Brown, Murty, Miller. Nays: Schnathorst, Callaway. Motion passed.

Council member Murty led the discussion concerning Dreamland playground. Murty would like to see the school save the existing facility stating that it is a draw to Conrad and the people that come also support businesses in town. The school board is now looking into costs to preserve and keep the current structure. Murty moved to commit to cost sharing the annual upkeep of the facility depending on the final costs involved, second by Brown. Council member Callaway offered a friendly amendment to the motion saying that the city should not commit dollars but would be open to discussion concerning financial commitments. Murty felt that the suggestion changed the content of his motion and politely turned down the amendment. Roll was then taken on the motion; Ayes: Brown, Murty. Nays: Schnathorst, Callaway, Miller. Motion failed.

Council member Brown moved, Murty seconded, to allow fireworks to be set off in the Smith Development for the Black Dirt Days celebration. Ayes: 5.

With no further business evident, meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Jeff Martin, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator