

Council Proceedings

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 6/12/08 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members Bill Gearhart, LeAnn Lynch, Sue McLeland, and Lowell Schleisman. Absent: Gary Stattler. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved as posted. McLeland moved, Lynch seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 05/08/08 council meeting; May 2008 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$72,340.48; Transfer Resolution #8-2008.6; the dismissal of James Wood from the Museum Board; Beer Permit for Casey's General Store #2802; Cigarette permit for Casey's General Store #2802 effective 6/26/08 to 6/30/08; Cigarette permit renewals for RJ's Lounge, Hometown Foods, and Casey's General Store #2802 effective 7/1/08 to 6/30/09; Acknowledge building permit from Jeff DeNuei. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, McLeland.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	39.50	Iowa Builders Supply, material	121.60
Allen Occupational, screenings	656.00	Iowa One Call, locates	24.30
Alliant, utilities	2,997.14	Iowa Prison Industries, signs	19.90
Alltel, cell phones	75.12	IA Wholesale, parts	265.98
American Legion, flag	25.00	IPERS, w/h	1,321.11
B & G HVAC, repairs	784.31	Mid-Iowa Coop, fuel	494.22
Bank of America, equipment	401.63	Pearl Miller, reimburse	1,619.44
Dustin Blackburn, mowing	69.00	Moler Sanitation, services	885.00
Bob's Farm Center, diesel/ spray	874.23	Moore Medical, supply	57.00
Carl's Electric, labor	955.03	Municipal Supply, meter	640.37
Casey's, gas	342.42	Brad Murty, reimburse	67.00
Chief Supply, fire supply	259.18	Myers-Cox, concession candy	781.74
Clarke Mosquito, spray	1,644.00	Networking Solutions, tech	944.00
Conrad Auto, supplies	138.92	Pepsi, concessions	553.20
Main Street, dues/allocation	7,012.50	Petty Cash, misc.	30.91
Dave Colin, reimbursement	40.00	Premier, contract/service	127.00
Mary Eckerman, reimbursement	9.17	The Record, publications	396.50
Egleston Electric, repairs	149.92	Chris Rhinehart, reimbursement	137.82
Electric Supply, parts	451.37	Ritchie Industries, fountain	126.00
First National Bank, library items	204.92	Leah Runge, mowing	140.00
IRS, federal W/H	3,702.92	Schiebel Electric, lights	29.98
Garling Construction, final	10,000.00	Southwest Grundy Co Fire, dues	40.00
Gehrke Quarries, rock	423.14	State of Iowa, sales tax & w/h	2,001.00
Glo-Brite, window clean	75.00	Strand's, blinds	524.99
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,436.08	Struxture, fees	122.19
Hanzelka Truck, repairs	355.07	Test America, lab	295.92
Hawkins, chemical	793.93	Shane Tiernan, Admin	75.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	379.48	Tyler Technology, support	3,496.68
Hometown Foods, supplies	18.48	Wendling Quarries, rock	256.30
Denise Hoy, mileage	83.33	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	317.92
IMWCA, work comp ins	5,881.00	Wages, 05/09/08 to 06/12/08	13,119.62
Integrity Computers, labor	30.00	Totals Claims	\$72,340.48

Expenses per fund: General \$28,951.05; Road Use Tax \$5,127.96; Employee Benefit \$5,860.86; LOST \$317.92; TIF \$6,000.00; Library Bldg Project \$12,266.62; Water \$8,129.06; Sewer \$5,687.01. May 2008 receipts per fund: General \$32,621.30; RUT \$6,497.91; Employee Benefits \$1,760.81; LOST \$5,261.57; TIF \$5,344.28; Debt Service \$10,226.64; Library Building Project \$1,107.53; Water \$11,818.98; Sewer \$31,815.58. Total \$106,454.60.

Mayor Sharp opened a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget Amendment. Hearing no comments the public hearing was closed at 7:05 PM. Council member Lynch moved and Gearhart seconded to adopt resolution #9-2008.6 "A resolution adopting the FY2008 Budget Amendment." Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, McLeland.

Council member McLeland moved and Schleisman seconded to approve the appointments of Kathleen Geiken and Nathan Farnsworth to the Library Board of Trustees for 4 year terms commencing 7/1/08. Ayes: 4.

Council member Schleisman moved, seconded by Lynch, to approve the 2008 Housing Rehabilitation Administration Plan. Ayes: 4.

Council member Gearhart moved to adopt resolution #10-2008.6 "A resolution adopting an amended Flexible Benefits Plan." Schleisman seconded and roll was as follows: Ayes- Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, and McLeland.

Mayor Sharp announced that the emergency siren will sound in the following three situations:

- The siren will sound for approximately five seconds at noon Monday – Saturday.
- Fire emergency – the siren will sound for approximately 30 seconds.
- Tornado warning – the siren will sound for approximately three minutes.

After discussion Council member McLeland moved, seconded by Gearhart, to only sound the emergency siren at noon Monday-Saturday and when a tornado is imminent. Ayes: 2; Nays: 2. Motion Failed. The current emergency siren policy will remain in effect.

Following discussion related to acquiring new emergency sirens, City Administrator Hoy was directed to contact two qualified consultants. One of those consultants will be employed to develop the process for selecting and locating new sirens.

The peddler, solicitor, transient merchant permitting process was discussed. Council encourages citizens to ask to see a permit, issued by City Hall, if they are approached by a peddler or solicitor. If it is after city hall hours and the peddler/solicitor does not have a permit, residents should call the Grundy County Sheriff's Department.

City Administrator Hoy announced that the 2007 Water Quality Report is complete and will be published in THE RECORD next week. The report will not be mailed to households; however, a copy of the report can be obtained at city hall or at www.conrad.govoffice.com.

Council discussed the need to replace concrete in the parking area north of the new library. Council member Gearhart presented preliminary design ideas and pricing. A formal presentation will be made at the next council meeting.

With no further business evident, council adjourned at 8:08 PM.

H. Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk