

August 11, 2011

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 08/11/11 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Member LeAnn Lynch, Jeff Martin, Brad Murty, and Gary Sattler. Absent: Sue McLeland. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The agenda was approved as presented. Council member Murty moved, Martin seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 07/14/11 council meeting; July 2011 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$78,238.61; New native wine permit to Heidi Kaisand for Hen's and Chicks Studio 101 N. Main; Acknowledged building permit 414A-Lee Van Cleave, rebuild front deck. Ayes: 4.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	41.50	Kids Discover, periodicals	17.95
Alliant, utilities	8,005.40	Ladehoff Lawn Care, mowing	175.00
American Patchwork, periodical	24.97	Ladies Home Journal, periodical	16.97
B & G HVAC, repairs	69.00	Lerner Publication, periodical	191.16
Bank of America, fuel	440.43	Library Petty Cash, library	176.97
Bob's Farm Center, fuel	610.72	Martha Stewart Living, periodical	24.00
Capstone, books	170.03	Michael Todd, signs	599.16
CIWA, water	9,765.00	Micro Marketing, books	150.99
Conrad Auto Supply, supplies	69.06	Mid-Iowa Coop, fuel	167.58
Consumer Reports, periodical	26.00	Midwest Benefits, benefits	255.75
Country Women, periodical	19.98	Moler Sanitation, services	294.50
Cuisine at Home, periodical	24.00	Monkeytown, supplies	89.90
Dave Juchems, mileage	17.50	Municipal Supply, supplies	70.00
Denise Hoy, mileage	215.00	Myers-Cox, pool candy	510.09
Family Circle, periodical	19.98	Premier Office, services	169.00
Family Fun, periodical	16.95	Racom, lights for truck	356.18
Farm & Ranch, periodical	10.00	Red Cross, first aid packs	79.80
First National, library exp	332.18	Shane Tiernan, admin	15.00
Gina Dinsmore, reimburse	17.58	Signs & Designs, balance due	2,275.00
Glo-Brite, window cleaning	75.00	Simmering-Cory, admin	1,500.00
Grundy Co. Library, conference	30.00	Sprint, pool phone	15.27
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,991.50	State Library, audio visual	69.32
GNB, HSA payment	430.00	Susan Blythe, mileage	15.13
Hawkins, pool chemicals	594.00	Test America, lab	257.04
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	354.90	The Record, publications	133.57
Hometown Foods, pool supply	171.27	US Postmaster, box rent	36.00
Ingram, books & supply	1,172.35	Verizon, cell phones	130.04
INRCOG, dues	1,998.60	Wellmark BCBS, premiums	1,629.45
ICS, computer repair	21.00	Wolf Creek Childcare, allocation	5,661.39
IRS, federal W/H	6,327.44	Zehr Enterprises, labor	50.00
Iowa DNR, NPDES permit	210.00	Utility Deposit Refund	36.93
Iowa One Call, locates	35.10	Wages, 07/15/11 to 08/11/11	24,772.01
IPERS, benefits	1,977.67	Totals Claims	\$78,238.61

Jennifer Yantis, mileage 13.35

July 2011 expenses per fund: General \$51,286.27; Road Use Tax \$11,435.01; Employee Benefit \$3,570.65; LOST \$5,661.39; TIF \$500; Water \$17,353.04; Sewer \$15,123.68; Storm Water Utility \$5,513.27. Total \$110,443.31.

July 2011 receipts per fund: General \$13,784.57; RUT \$8,610.19; Employee Benefits \$161.64; LOST \$6,660.46; TIF \$298.03; Debt Service \$346.88; 08 Housing Rehab \$183.10; Water \$29,894.07; Sewer \$32,584.59; Sewer Sinking \$8,335.17; Storm Water Utility \$4,478.30. Total \$105,337.00.

Mayor Sharp opened the public hearing on the Urban Renewal Amendment at 7:06 PM. It was announced that the Planning and Zoning Commission had met and submitted written comment to Council stating that the amendment conformed to the City of Conrad's Community Plan. It was also announced that a public consultation meeting was scheduled and held, with no input from taxing bodies. Deputy Auditor Jean Thorn raised a question about the legal description and it was amended slightly to address the concern. Hearing no oral objections or statements Mayor Sharp announced the hearing closed.

Council member Stattler then moved to adopt resolution 2011.9 "Declaring necessity and establishing an urban renewal area, pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and approve urban renewal plan amendment for the 2011 Addition to the Conrad Urban Renewal Area". Ayes: Martin, Murty, Lynch, Stattler.

Chad Billings, Ryken Engineering, updated council on the following projects.

- a. Council discussed the hard surfacing the alley and approach/entrance east of Ritchie Industries at the estimated cost is \$35,000. Council agreed to continue gathering information and discussions with Ritchie Industries on a possible cost sharing arrangement. Ritchie will be blacktopping their parking lot around the first of September and council would like to work within the same time frame for potential cost savings.
- b. The CDBG Sewer Line Project is potentially complete. The final draw has been requested from the state and close out of the project is expected as soon as punch lists are complete.
- c. Council discussed several options regarding a potential sidewalk/trail on South Main to Oakwood Drive to address safety issues. Council took no action.

Council member Stattler moved, seconded by Murty, to adopt resolution 2011.10 "Entering into a guy and anchor easement with ITC Midwest LLC". Ayes: Stattler, Lynch, Murty, Martin.

A meeting with Jim Thompson, Main Street Iowa, has been set for August 30, 2011 at 7 pm at the Library meeting room for Downtown Revitalization training. Council Members, the Chamber-Main Street Board, and the Community Development Committee are encouraged to attend.

Mayor Sharp set Trick-or-Treat night for Monday, October 31, 2011 from 6-8 PM.

With no further business evident, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

H. Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator