

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 10/12/06 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members, Bill Gearhart, Lowell Schleisman, and Gary Stattler. Shauna Callaway arrived at 7:25 PM. Absent: LeAnn Lynch. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved as posted. Stattler moved, Gearhart seconded, to approve the following consent items: minutes from the 09/14/06 & 09/26/06 council meetings; clerks financial report for September 2006; payment of claims totaling \$101,938.12; Resolution #122-06.10 approving a sewer fund transfer; awarding contracts to A & B Construction for Christianson & Schultz rehab projects; native wine permit for Something to Share; special class C liquor license for Carol's Restaurant Baker & Inn. Ayes: 3.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	38.75	Iowa Builders, window for shop	65.00
Advanced Water Tech, chemicals	904.08	Iowa Diesel, repairs	491.69
Alliant, utilities	7261.51	Ladehoff Lawn Care, mowing	712.00
American Red Cross, training	130.00	Library Petty Cash, misc.	190.82
Stacy Beeghly, refund	18.36	Marshall Co. Extension, class	30.00
Dustin Blackburn, mowing	130.00	Matt Parrott, forms	41.28
Susan Blythe, mileage	70.38	Menards, leaf bags	13.20
Bob's Farm Center, fuel/lawn care	1051.30	Michael Todd, truck sign	65.91
Casey's, gas	102.06	Midwest Wireless, cell phones	70.28
Conrad Auto, supplies	38.79	Moler Sanitation, services	90.00
Disney Adventures, periodical	14.97	Monkeytown, office supply	124.12
Nick Eckerman, mowing	140.00	NADA, periodical	70.00
Electric Supply, bulbs	60.00	Pack-O-Fun, periodical	21.97
First National, library exp	661.99	Penworthy Co, books	429.90
Follett Software, support	660.00	Pepsi, concession	116.75
Gehrke Quarries, rock	170.19	Platinum Plus, training/tools	623.98
Grundy County Landfill, fees	962.67	Premier, maintenance	115.00
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4125.83	The Record, publications	355.87
HACH, chemicals	286.30	SL Baumeier, pay request #1	54,720.00
Hanzelka Truck Service, repairs	311.00	Sheet Music, periodical	22.97
Hartwig Excavating, labor	1080.00	State of Iowa Treasurer, sales tax	1253.53
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	309.62	Gary Stattler, mileage	108.58
Hometown Foods, supply	4.30	Steve's Plumbing, repair faucet	39.25
Hotsy Equipment, pressure washer	3000.00	Test America, lab	243.39
Denise Hoy, mileage	108.58	TIME, periodical	26.95
Hygienic Labs, lab	30.00	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	3884.44
IMFOA, certification	75.00	Wages, 09-15-06 to 10-12-06	15,252.46
Ingram Books, books	1013.10	Totals Claims	\$101,938.12

Expenses per fund: General \$24,188.18; Road Use Tax \$4530.65; Employee Benefit \$1403.38; LOST \$3884.44; Water \$5928.51; Sewer \$7282.96; Sludge Drying Bed \$54,720.00.

September 2006 receipts per fund: General \$20,877.16; RUT \$7682.49; Employee Benefits \$1440.33; LOST \$4569.93; TIF \$33,202.55; Debt Service \$7445.51; Wolf Creek Drive \$2642.00; Library Building Project \$100.00; Water \$12,350.44; Sewer \$32,249.30; Total \$122,599.71.

Rick Mull addressed city council members asking them to consider making the roll-out stop sign by the elementary school a permanent sign. Mull stated that he felt the sign has slowed down traffic, however, he fears the sign being temporary in nature is a safety concern. Council will take the request under consideration.

Mayor Sharp opened a public hearing at 7:10 PM to hear comments and concerns on the proposed Zoning Ordinance #243 adding a new section defining a front entrance and modifying the supplementary district regulations. Comments from John Hanzelka, Charles Thompson, and Rose Shine were heard. After discussion, the public hearing was closed at 7:20 PM.

Council considered the first reading of Ordinance #243 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CONRAD, IOWA, 2002, BY AMENDING THE ZONING REGULATIONS BY ADDING A NEW DEFINITION FOR FRONT ENTRANCE AND BY AMENDING SUPPLEMENTARY DISTRICT REGULATIONS". Council member Gearhart moved and Stattler seconded to accept the first reading of Ordinance #243. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Stattler. Nays: none.

Council considered the second reading of Ordinance #241 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF CONRAD, IOWA, 2002, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS IN CHAPTER 110 PERTAINING TO NATURAL GAS FRANCHISE". Callaway moved and Stattler seconded to accept the second reading of Ordinance #241. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Stattler, Callaway. Nays: none. Schleisman then moved to waive the third reading and adopted Ordinance #241, Stattler seconded the motion. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Stattler, Callaway.

Council considered the second reading of Ordinance #242 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF CONRAD, IOWA, 2002, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS IN CHAPTER 111 PERTAINING TO ELECTRIC FRANCHISE". Stattler moved and Schleisman seconded to accept the second reading of Ordinance #242. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Stattler, Callaway. Nays: none. Gearhart then moved to waive the third reading and adopted Ordinance #242, Schleisman seconded the motion. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Stattler, Callaway.

Under City Department the following discussion and/or action was taken:

- A loss control survey performed by ICAP was reviewed and discussed. All necessary action to correct any deficiency has been completed with the exception of fencing the sewer plant.
- Gary Sindelar updated council on the modifications to the sludge drying bed at the wastewater treatment plant. The drying bed construction is complete and the water line has been installed by Baumeier. In light of the recent loss control survey recommendation to install a fence at the plant, council member Gearhart moved to install a chain link fence and proper gating at the sewer plant. Stattler seconded the motion. Ayes: 4. Sindelar was instructed to solicit bids and contract with the lowest responsible bidder.
- Council member Gearhart moved, seconded by Schleisman, to cost share with Grundy County for milling and hot mix asphalt work on North Main from Center Street north approximately ½ mile to Alma Street. Conrad is responsible for areas outside the center 22 feet. Ayes: 4.
- Callaway moved to acknowledge the fact that the Grundy County Landfill's closure date is scheduled for 10/31/07; and that it is the City of Conrad's intention to take our landfill waste to either Marshall County Landfill or the Rural Iowa Landfill; and that Conrad will continue to handle recycling as we currently are. Schleisman seconded the motion. Ayes: 4.
- Under library update it was noted that a meeting with Struxture Architects and the Library Building Committee has been scheduled for 10/24/06 to discuss final plans and specifications for the new library building. In order for council to know how to handle future storm water drainage from the new library, Gary Sindelar was instructed to contact Struxture to obtain information on where they will be placing storm water outlets in the building.

J-turns and U-turns were again discussed at length by city council. No action was taken on a resolution specifying locations for where U-turns would be prohibited. City staff was instructed to devise a plan to place signs on Mains Street prohibiting J-turns for the purpose of parking or leaving a parking place.

With no further business evident, Council adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, City Clerk