

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 11-10-22. Officials present were Council Members John Dinsmore, Jeff Frank, Todd Schnathorst and Lindsay Kuhl. Peg Brown and Lori Stansberry were absent. Also in attendance was Krista Grant from BCerts. Mayor Jeff Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Schnathorst made a motion to approve the agenda and seconded by Frank.

Council member Dinsmore made a motion to approve the consent agenda which was seconded by Kuhl. The consent agenda consisted of the following items: Minutes from the October 13, 2022 council meeting; building permits and delinquent utility bill listing. Motion approved 4-0.

Martin explained that the City had an IPERS audit. They pointed out to us that if the City pays our fire and EMS volunteers it needs to go through payroll. In the past, the City had just issued them a check at the end of the year. Martin compared their payments to how the elected officials get paid and it runs through payroll with taxes being paid. He discussed that other options were presented like additional clothing allowance. Grant explained that for BCERT explained that at their meeting it was explained that it had to run through payroll. If they chose to not get paid that was their choice. She explained that it was paid through payroll once and then they changed and was just issued a check. She was not in favor of the clothing allowance. She explained how they allocated the dollars for BCERTS. Council was given a chance to object or voice their opinion. There was no comment so it stands that volunteers will be paid through payroll only.

Martin explained the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the removal of the two abandoned houses was being reviewed by the Todd Geer, the City's attorney. He explained that we have given the property owners ample time to have the houses torn down. He explained the RFP would be sent out the first of next week. Bids will need to be back by November 28<sup>th</sup>. If their bid is accepted, work has to be started by December 5, 2022. They have two weeks to get the work. The goal is that by the end of the year this project will be done. Some of the things they need to do is remove the materials and fill the hole.

Dinsmore made a motion to set December 15, 2022 for a budget Amendment. The motion was seconded by Frank. Motion approved 4-0.

Schnathorst made a motion to approve the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Indebtedness Certification to the County Auditor for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. The motion was seconded by Kuhl. Resolution #2022-30 approved 4-0.

Dinsmore made a motion and Kuhl seconded the motion to approve the Annual Urban Renewal Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Resolution #2022-31 approved 4-0.

Grant explained that BCERTS had their annual review with the Iowa Department of Public Health. The department had no deficiencies. She explained that when there is a call for transport they call either Marshalltown or Grundy Center. BCERTS were given the okay to transport the patient through their review process. She explained how the current process works and how it would work if they were given transport status. Grant said they

will discuss later if they will charge for the transport. Frank mentioned there would be additional use on the ambulance. Schnathorst made the motion to approve BCERT to obtain transport status with the Iowa Department of Public Health. Resolution #2022-32 approved 4-0.

Schnathorst made a motion and was seconded by Kuhl to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Jeff Martin, Mayor

Lori Stansberry, Administrator/Clerk