

November 13, 2008

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 11/13/08 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members LeAnn Lynch, Bill Gearhart, Lowell Schleisman, Sue McLeland and Gary Stattler. Press members Chuck Carpenter, and Charles Friend were also present. 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. Schleisman moved, Gearhart seconded, to approve the following consent item: Minutes from the 10/09/08 council meeting; October 2008 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$125,869.19; Class C Beer permit for Hometown Foods; Acknowledge building permits. Ayes: 5.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	81.00	Gary Krause, meetings pay	40.00
Advanced Garage Doors, repair	150.00	Dean Ladehoff, meetings pay	150.00
Alliant, utilities	4,211.55	Derek Ladehoff, meetings pay	140.00
Alltel, cell phones	74.56	Larry Ladehoff, meetings pay	240.00
Bank of America, gas/ misc.	396.07	Ron Ladehoff, meetings pay	170.00
Bankers Trust, interest	15,573.75	Lee Mowing, lawn care	2,007.40
Grant Benson, meetings pay	70.00	Library Petty Cash, misc.	166.11
Susan Blythe, mileage	156.20	LL Pelling, cold patch	535.03
Bob's Farm Center, diesel/ spray	317.90	John McNair, meetings pay	20.00
Pat Boe, mileage	46.73	MidwestOne, P & I payment	36,389.52
Card Maker, periodical	19.97	Moler Sanitation, services	142.35
Dave Colin, meetings pay	134.00	Moore Medical, supply	139.82
Conrad Auto, supplies	126.23	Municipal Supply, tool	233.55
Cuisine, periodical	22.00	National Geo. Kid, periodical	17.95
Demco, library supply	124.30	Petty Cash, misc.	24.34
Dorsey & Whitney, services	945.00	Premier Office Equipment, service	140.00
Rick Eckerman, reimburse	22.00	Public Safety, supply	273.70
Eddy-Walker, parts & repair	698.73	Mike Purvis, meeting pay	70.00
First National Bank, library items	647.63	Radio Communications, radios	65.14
Glo-Brite, window clean	175.00	The Record, publication	305.31
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,568.33	Nick Scheid, meetings pay	140.00
Hallmark, periodical	14.90	Scholastic, books	114.30
Hanzelka Truck Service, repair	314.70	Tom Schultz, meetings pay	183.00
Chris Harris, meetings pay	150.00	Deb Sharp, reimburse	500.00
Hawkins, chemical	734.53	Simmering-Cory, rehab	4,800.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	342.71	Jana Smith, mileage	64.53
Heritage Microfilm, film	188.10	SPIN, periodical	7.95
Kent Higgins, meetings pay	160.00	State of Iowa, w/h	472.00
Denny Hines, meetings pay	243.00	Test America, lab	330.94
Jason Hines, meetings pay	160.00	Erik Thiede, meetings pay	80.00
Denise Hoy, mileage	180.18	Shane Tiernan, bldg permits	30.00
IDALS, permit	15.00	Postmaster, box rent	58.00
Ingram Book, books	1,245.94	Ryan Ward, meetings pay	190.00
IRS, federal W/H	3,204.62	Travis Ward, meetings pay	196.00
Iowa Finance, Interest	18,404.40	Water Tower Paint, contract	1423.10
Iowa One Call, locates	24.30	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	9,386.53
IPERS, w/h	1,333.81	Wages, 10/09/08 to 11/13/08	11,044.48
Stacey Kinion, meetings pay	300.00	Totals Claims	\$125,868.19

Expenses per fund: General \$22,794.28; Road Use Tax \$5,223.36; Employee Benefits \$1,801.42; LOST \$9,386.53; TIF \$15,573.75; Debt Service \$36,389.52; Library Project \$945.00; 2008 Rehab \$4,800.00; Water \$5,800.27; Sewer \$4,749.66; Sewer Sinking \$18,404.40. October 2008 receipts per fund: General \$118,625.36; RUT \$5,848.65; Employee Benefits \$18,539.31; LOST \$5,818.73; TIF \$78,422.94; Debt Service \$23,163.02; Water \$1,033.27; Sewer \$1,671.46; Total \$253,122.74.

Conrad Museum Board Members Ann Carnes, Pat Schiebel, and Jim Springer explained that they were changing the hours of operation at the Heritage Hall Museum to special events, by appointment, and when they are tending to the museum. Council discussed the policy change with the museum board members and agreed that it was a reasonable solution.

City employee Nick Kitzman asked council to consider entering into a contract for sewer main cleaning services. Council member Schleisman moved, Gearhart seconded, to enter into a 5 year contract with Municipal Pipe Tool Company, LLC, Hudson, Iowa, to maintain sewers in the city at a fixed price according to terms in the agreement. Ayes: 5.

After discussion with Tom Ashton and Denny Metge, members of the Central Iowa Snowmobile Club, Council member Stattler approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 247 "AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CONRAD, IOWA, 2002, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 47 PARK REGULATIONS," Lynch seconded. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council member McLeland moved to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance No. 247, seconded by Stattler. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council member Schleisman moved to adopt Ordinance No. 247, and cause to be published, seconded by Lynch. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council member Stattler moved, Gearhart seconded, to approve a one year trial agreement with Central Iowa Snowmobile Club to run snowmobile on a portion of the Comet Trail, beginning November 13, 2008 and expiring April 1, 2009. Ayes: 5.

Council reviewed the final financial report on the Library Building Project. Council member Lynch moved, Schleisman seconded, to adopt resolution 16-2008.11 "Establishing a library escrow account for the unspent proceeds of \$368,291 to be used for the purpose of early payment on Library TIF Bonds after June 1, 2012." Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council member Stattler moved, Lynch seconded, to adopt resolution 17-2008.11 "A resolution establishing a Library Infrastructure Reserve account". The reserve account will include funds from the Alliant Energy rebate and any outstanding pledges on the Library Building Project. Ayes: McLeland, Stattler, Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman.

Council member McLeland moved, Gearhart seconded, to adopt resolution 18-2008.11 "A resolution of support and financial commitment for the Main Street Program in Conrad, Iowa". Ayes: McLeland, Stattler, Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman.

Council member Stattler moved, Schleisman seconded, to adopt resolution 19-2008.11 "A resolution setting the FY2010 TIF allocation for Conrad Chamber Main Street at \$12,000". Ayes: McLeland, Stattler, Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman.

Council member Lynch moved, McLeland seconded, to adopt resolution 20-2008.11 "A resolution approving organization with MidwestOne Bank and Grundy National Bank". Ayes: Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman, McLeland, Stattler.

Council reviewed a curfew ordinance for the City of Conrad. Council member Stattler moved, Schleisman seconded, to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 248 "ESTABLISHING A CURFEW FOR MINORS". Ayes: McLeland, Stattler, Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman.

Council member Schleisman moved, Lynch seconded, to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 249 "ESTABLISHING A STORM WATER UTILITY IN THE CITY OF CONRAD". Ayes: McLeland, Stattler, Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman.

Council discussed the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and reviewed the flood plain maps. Council member Stattler moved, Lynch seconded, to table any further discussion until some more information on the program could be collected. Ayes: 5.

Council reviewed ideas for the city's long-term capital plan. Many of the projects need to be further defined. Mayor Sharp reported that the Development Committee had formed task force groups to look at a few of the projects and prepare recommendations for City Council to consider. It was also determined that the water loop on the south side of town and an additional sewer line on Alice Street were priority projects.

With no further business evident, council adjourned at 8:58 PM