

November 11, 2002

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 11-11-02 in Council Chambers. Answering roll call was Shauna Callaway, Bill Gearhart, Robert Lutes, and LeAnn Lynch. Absent: Steve Muggge. Mayor Sanderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and began with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Lutes motioned and Lynch seconded to approve the clerks report and place on file for audit. Ayes 4. Lutes motioned and Callaway seconded to allow bills and order drawn on the Treasurer for the same. Ayes 4. (List includes expenses for City, Park Board, Library, Museum, Fire Department and B-CERTS)

A-Kleen Towel, service	\$35.75	Denise Hoy, mileage	154.76
Alliant Energy, utilities	4724.88	Ingram Book Co, library exp	1392.73
American Legion, flag	25.00	Iowa Builders Supply, lumber	135.00
Apex, office supply	128.55	Kibby Hardware, misc.	42.96
Audio Adventures, library exp	5.00	Koch L.P., L.P. & rental	202.75
Beeghly Seed, grass seed	35.00	Krista Grant, reimbursement	75.00
Bob's Farm Center, diesel/lawn care	178.59	Lason, library supply	49.23
Book Look, library exp	105.91	Lee Mowing, mow parks	886.00
BWI, library books	9.04	Jo Love, reimbursement/mileage	66.79
Campbell Supply, tools	313.64	Bruce Marble, reimbursement	20.00
Casey's, gas	122.53	Micro Marketing, library exp	9.98
Cellcom, cell phones	95.73	Moler Sanitation, recycling/garbage	103.00
Cessford Construction, concrete	345.00	PCA, tax rebate	12,152.50
Conrad Auto Supply, misc.	39.51	Petty Cash	122.97
Conrad Chamber, dues	100.00	The Record, publications/ads	311.27
Conrad Clinic, shot	15.00	Stanley Steamer, library exp	315.83
Conrad Pharmacy, hepatitis shot	71.44	Test America, lab	236.30
Conrad Tire & Auto, repairs	28.50	H.W. Wilson, library exp	337.00
Patty Coulter, misc. work	32.00	Shane Tiernan, bldg permits	45.00
Crossings, library exp	14.98	Time, periodical	29.95
Dan Bracy, reimbursement	75.00	U.S. Filter, labor	956.75
Dean Ladehoff, reimbursement	25.00	U.S. Postmaster, postage	238.01
Nick Eckerman, mowing	60.00	Video by Cycling, library videos	319.38
First National Bank, library exp.	148.87	Wellmark, Ins. premiums	467.34
First State Bank, P&I payment	147,370.41	Wells Fargo, P&I payment	25,636.80
Grundy Co. Landfill, fees	878.42	Wages, 09-09-02 to 10-14-02	<u>11,980.01</u>
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	3666.66		
Hauser Implement, tractor parts	36.04	Total Expenses	\$215,626.93
Heart of Iowa, phone	653.17		

Expenses per fund: General \$18,876.79, Road Use Tax \$2427.56, TIF \$100,528.39, Debt Service \$58,994.52, Employer FICA/IPERS Exp. \$1084.82, Water \$3695.68, Sewer \$30,019.17.

October 2002 receipts per fund: General \$70,957.70, RUT \$7752.81, TIF \$68,185.74, Debt Service \$21,944.89, Employee Benefits \$6,107.86, Wolf Creek Drive \$3448.00, Duesenberg Drive \$2646.41, Maple Ave Project \$7892.14, Water \$1622.52, Sewer \$3007.85. Total revenues: \$193,565.92.

Building Permits were as follows: Joel Danielson, 24X28 Garage, \$20,000; Stewart Hughes, house addition, \$18,000.

Mayor Sanderson opened a public hearing on the Cities Housing Assistance Fund Application and the following announcements were made. The City of Conrad is proposing to submit a Housing Assistance Fund Application to the Iowa Department of Economic Development. The grant funds will be used to aid the city in rehabilitating approximately 12 single-family, owner-occupied properties. The applications will be submitted to the Iowa Department of Economic Development in December, 2002. The City is requesting \$364,800 in Housing Grant Funds for the purposed rehabilitation of 12 homes and \$15,000 for administration. The City will agree to provide \$75,000 in local matching funds over the life of the program. The total project cost is estimated at \$439,800. Because the program is intended to rehabilitate homes belonging to low and moderate income persons, 100% of the funds will benefit low and moderate income persons. It will not be necessary to displace or permanently relocate any homeowners as a result of the proposed program. With no oral or written comments on file or heard, the hearing was closed.

Council Member Gearhart motioned to adopt resolution # 121-11.02 "A resolution agreeing to provide a local match of \$75,000 for the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Housing Fund project". Lynch seconded the motion and roll was as follows: Ayes- Gearhart, Callaway, Lynch, and Lutes. Nays- none.

Council reviewed the Business Interest Buy-down Program. The plan will be referred back to the committee for further review. City Clerk was instructed to contact Bob Josten in regards to the program.

Callaway motioned and Gearhart seconded to approve a liquor license for Conrad Grove Recreation Club. Ayes- 4. Nays- none.

Council agreed to host the Festival of Tree's in the Council Chambers again this year. They will need the facilities from December 3 - December 21, 2002. The December 9th Council meeting will be held at the Oak Estates Assisted Living dining room.

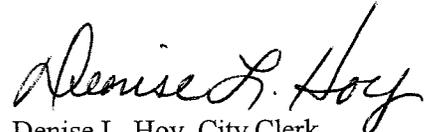
Council discussed the Duesenberg Drive Project. They reviewed their options in correcting the problems with the road including no crowning in isolated areas, settlement in isolated areas, and the ride-ability. Council agreed to table any decisions until the next regular meeting.

Under other business Council discussed the Tax Abatement Program and agreed that no abatement applications would qualify prior to the adoption of the plan. They also agreed to change the language in the plan to exclude the housing additions already benefiting from tax support. The adoption of the Urban Revitalization Plan is scheduled for the November 25th council meeting.

Other topics discussed were developing a job description for the recycling workers, and not replacing the drip tarp in the water tower. Mayor Sanderson also asked for two council members to consider serving on a committee to look at long term development planning for the City. No members were appointed at this time.

With no further business evident, council adjourned by motion at 8:45 p.m.

Kenny Sanderson, Mayor


Denise L. Hoy, City Clerk