

to be done on South Main St. where the tracks have been removed.

The council gave their approval of the crack filling job on Lillian St. by Fishel but asked the clerk not to pay the balance of their bill as yet. A deadline of September 1st was set for Fishel to have all street work finished in Conrad. Zern was to telephone Fishel and the clerk to write a letter explaining this to him. If the work isn't finished by Sept. 1st the city wants no work done at all this summer.

Don Kliebenstein reviewed a second portion of the City Code with the council. Several changes were made and Lutes asked Kliebenstein if he could incorporate an ordinance into the code regarding the mowing of lots with an unsightly growth of grass or weeds. Lutes also felt the salary of the mayor was too low. Kliebenstein stated that a raise in salary would have to become effective after the next election.

It was mentioned that Bill Hartwig felt that a solid pipe needs to be run in the ditch in front of Gary Boyle, Rick Moeller and Jim McLeland's property. It was decided that this wasn't the city's expense or responsibility. Schiebel stated that the new culvert put in in this area was working very well.

Gearhart mentioned that the school was interested in buying the low band radio that was previously in Craig Vinton's truck. The council felt \$100 was a fair price.

Rilla Fox asked for council approval for the Rat Race, a mile fun run; a Chamber of Commerce promotion, to be run. Kruse will provide a lead car, a follow up car and will block intersecting streets. The council gave their approval.

Gary Moler will be asked to take out two section of side walk at the south edge of the Methodist Church Park and to trim the roots of the trees so that new sidewalk can be poured there. Dan Dietch will be contacted for the cement work.

Kruse stated that the radar needs to be replaced. The company that repairs it will not guarantee their work on it because of the age of the unit. Kruse will check the price to repair the unit and also the price of a new unit.

King delivered a set of papers concerning the pledging of public funds to the clerk and stated the bank would also provide the city a monthly report.

Motion to adjourn by Zern, second by Reece. Carried.


Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: 
Carol Whipple, Clerk

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REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 1984

The regular meeting of the Conrad City Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers by Mayor Gearhart.

Council members present: King, Reece, Schiebel and Lutes
" " absent: Zern

Others present: Rilla Fox, Ivan Skartvedt, Gary Moler, Bob Klein, Pearl Miller, Cliff Wilson, Bob Parker, Muriel Slinker, Mick Fishel, Larry Neal, Ed Jebousek, Bob Kruse and Don Kliebenstein

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The treasurer's report was approved in a motion by Reece and second by Schiebel. Carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 8/10-8/16/84	176.25
Beth Miller	Water deposit refund	.52
David R. Colin	Salary 8/10,11,17,18/84	130.21
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 8/17-8/23/84	181.45
Ręva Ladehoff	Cleaning 8/24	11.00
Time Insurance Co.	Premium 9/84	350.00
Share Corp.	Insect control	300.00
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills 8/84	2,076.14
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 8/24-8/30/84	164.24
David R. Colin	Salary 8/24,25,31/84&9/1/84	139.34
IPERS-FOAB	S.S. 8/84	665.90
IPERS	IPERS 8/84	529.61
First State Bank	Fed WH 8/84	571.30
Treasurer, State of Iowa	State WH 8/84	160.11
Farm and Home	Cable & clamps	16.56
M. R. Fishel Construction	Seal coat & patch	6,956.70
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 8/31 -9/6/84	164.24
General Telephone	Bills 8/84	208.67
Robert Palmer	Water deposit refund	6.27
David R. Colin	Salary 9/4-9/8/84	155.81
M. R. Fishel Construction	Bal./street repairs '84	7,848.17
Schleisman DX Station	Diesel 8/84	37.40
Casey's General Store	Gas 8/84	194.17
Schiebel Electric	Work on pump controls	190.00
Gearhart Welding	Crossbars for chains	336.20
McNair Body Shop	Mount tires on pick up	25.25
Charlie's Market	Supplies	15.82
Conrad Pharmacy	Office supplies	2.61
Bob's Tire and Auto	Calcium chloride	51.00
Conrad NAPA Auto Supply	Parts & supplies	37.69
Conrad Record	Publications 8/84	136.24
Blythe Concrete	Concrete/sidewalk	23.50
Diamond Vogel Paints	Paint/streets	165.85
Cy & Charley's Firestone	3 tires/pick up	87.40
Eddy Walker Equipment	Latch/sweeper	8.49
John's Garage	Water pump & labor	76.02
Kliebenstein, Heronimus & Schmidt	Prof. serv./City Code	1,565.00
Clapsaddle-Garber Assoc.	Prof. serv./storm sewers	2,000.00
Conrad Sales Co., Inc.	Battery/tractor	127.84
SERCO	Analysis/water samples	70.00
Water Products Co.	Meter, pressure regulator	103.75
Clarey's Safety Equipment	Helmet & coat/ FD	416.45
Water Environment Technology	Lab services/sludge samples	15.00
Purolator Courier	Transport water samples	19.20
Acco Unlimited Corp.	Lime	130.00
HACH	Fluoride & chlorine	104.40
Grundy County Auditor	Landfill 9/84	662.25

Motion by King, second by Reece that the above bills be accepted and warrants drawn on the same. Carried.

The following building permits were ~~issued~~ issued during August:

Glenn R. Hurlbutt	Double garage	3,000.00
Mel Van Deest	Deck	500.00
Larry Olson	Entryway	3,200.00

It was reported that BCL School has picked up the low band radio to check it over and see if they are interested in purchasing the unit.

Schiebel reported that he has not as yet approached the Lions Club about providing trash cans for Main St. as a service project.

Moler said he has not mowed the weeds between the creek and Blythe's building as there are small trees planted there. Lutes stated that ~~John~~ Rolston did mow some of the area.

The "No U Turn" signs on Main St. were discussed. It was noted that this didn't apply to proper U turns at the intersections.

Moler will contact Wayne Kopsa in regard to blowing snow this winter.

Moler reported that the top of the hydrant on Alice and Maple was broken. Gearhart will supply Moler with information from Crowley of Oskaloosa so a new top can be ordered.

The clerk was asked to send letters to the owners of vacant lots in the Clemens Addition to ask them to keep the lots mowed.

Bob Klein again presented new information to the council regarding insurance coverage. It was decided to leave the deductible at \$100. Raising it to \$250. would only save \$45 to \$50 per year. The value of the contents of the library was estimated at \$140,660 by Pearl Miller of the library board. The previous estimate was \$43,000. Klein reported that bodily injury to volunteer firemen is covered by workman's compensation. This would apply to anyone asked to help at a fire.

Klein had been supplied with a list of increases in value of property in the well houses and city shed.

There was a motion by Lutes to accept all of these changes and have them incorporated in the city's insurance coverage. Second by Schiebel. Carried.

Klein will return to the October meeting with the final cost of the policy .

Cliff Wilson was present and challenged the enforcement of the building code and existing ordinances. He stated that no building permit had been obtained for the building of the scale by the Conrad Cooperative and that the scale extended into the street and changed the drainage in the street. He stated that favoritism was being shown to the Co-op and Bob Zern.

Wilson went to great length to list what he considered past violations of the building code by the Co-op and the problems caused by corn chaff from it's dryer.

He stated that Ritchie Industries had a law suit pending against the Co-op and was considering filing suit against the city.

Wilson stated that he would like to see all applications for building permits published in the Conrad Record thirty days before the permits are issued and building initiated.

Ed Jebousek, Zoning Administrator, thought this policy would be very unnecessary. He also told Wilson his reasons for not issuing a permit ^{to the Co-op} were because nothing was altered in the building process and because the original scale had been built before the city adopted the zoning ordinance.

Mayor Gearhart told Wilson that the city plat map was in error and the street at the point in question was only 66 feet wide and not 90 feet as shown on the map.

Wilson stated he would like to see the results of his inquiries published in the paper. Gearhart selected Reece and Lutes along with himself to meet with Wilson to discuss these differences.

Mick Fishel was present at the request of the council. He was unhappy that part of the amount of his bill had been withheld and with correspondence about a deadline for completion of the project.

When asked about the driveways that he was to redo he explained that he and Alan Schiebel had inspected all the drives and felt that they were satisfactory before he left town. He said at best sealcoat is a moisture barrier and wearing surface and that the more traffic over it the better it works. He was also questioned about the quote of \$49 per ton for patch in his proposal of Feb. '84. He explained that that was not the lay down price and that is why the city was billed \$60 per ton.

King made a motion to pay Fishel the full amount owed to him. Second by Reece. Carried. The clerk wrote a check to Fishel for \$7,848.17; \$891.48 for the balance of the crack filling and \$6,956.69 for the balance of the seal coating and patching.

Don Kliebenstein read letters from Ryken Engineering and CGA Associates recommending that the council accept Blythe's subdivision.

There was a motion by Schiebel, second by Reece, that in accordance with the letters of August 23, 1984 from Ryken Engineering and the letter of September 4, 1984, from CGA that the improvements constructed by the developer in Blythe's Addition in the City of Conrad be approved and accepted by the council, and that the remaining improvements may be constructed at a future date, subject to council approval and specifications, with the developers bond to remain in full force and effect to guarantee such construction, and that residential construction is now permitted on Lots 1 thru 7 and the east half of Lots 14 - 17, with no building permits to be issued for the remainder of the lots until the balance of the improvements have been installed and approved. Motion carried.

The clerk was directed to file copies of the two letters with the minutes of the meeting and to notify the City Zoning Administrator of the contents of the letters and the motion.

Don Kliebenstein reviewed Chapters 21 and 22 of the City Code with the council. He will make the necessary changes and send the final draft before the next council meeting. A change was made in the final draft of Chapter 12 Section 12.2 deleting "of the municipality". Kliebenstein stated that the City Code would be completed hopefully by January '85, if not, by February or March.

The only thing that will need to be published when completed is an enacting ordinance. A feasible way to print or copy the code was discussed. Rilla Fox will check on types of paper available.

King asked Don Kliebenstein about complying with the Federal Revenue Sharing regulation of making facilities and meetings available to the handicapped. He stated that Oct. 1986 is the deadline for any structural changes.

The council asked the clerk to put the item of building permits on the agenda each month and to publish any permits in the paper.

There was a motion by Schiebel, second by Lutes to grant a 6 month Class B permit to the American Legion. Carried.

RESOLUTION

COUNCIL MEMBER KING INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE STREET FINANCE REPORT FOR FY '83-'84 AND MOVED IT BE ADOPTED.

COUNCIL MEMBER REECE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: KING, REECE, SCHIEBEL, LUTES

NAYS: NONE

MAYOR GEARHART DECLARED THIS RESOLUTION DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 10TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1984.

Bill Gearhart
BILL GEARHART, MAYOR

ATTEST: Carol Whipple
CAROL WHIPPLE, CLERK

The clerk was requested to write a letter to the park board and the library board asking for a list of their expenditures for the month before to be furnished for each council meeting.

A special meeting was set for ~~October~~^{September} 17th at 7:00 P.M. Jim Tedrow from Water Products and Bill Grabe from CGA will be present.

Bob Kruse asked permission of the council to purchase a new radar gun. The price of a new unit is \$1750 and with trading in the old unit he should be able to purchase a new gun for \$1000. The parts are guaranteed for 2 years and labor for one.

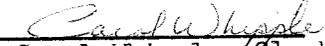
Motion by Lutes, second by Reece to have Kruse purchase the new radar unit. Carried.

Schiebel asked the council to consider two things before the next regular meeting. The first was the traffic in the alley west of Main St. between Grundy and Center. He thought it advisable to either make the alley one way, put in speed bumps or make the alley one way from the North to Schiebel Electric and then two way.

The other was to consider changing the ordinance stating that all streets should be patched with concrete when any street cuts are made. He thought it would be better to patch with like material. Gearhart pointed out that like material doesn't always work well.

Motion to adjourn by Schiebel and second by Lutes. Carried.


Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: 
Carol Whipple, Clerk

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SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 1984

Council members present: Reece, Schiebel, Lutes
" " absent: Zern, King

Others present: Gary Moler, Jim Tedrow, Bill Grabe, Larry Neal,
Les & Jean Hoppenworth

At 7:00 P.M. Mayor Gearhart called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss water meters and water loss and the storm sewer study by CGA.

Jim Tedrow of Water Products stated that on the average 25% of the water a city loses is through its industrial meters. But he said that it appeared Conrad was losing only 12% that way.

He proposed having the city purchase 7 new industrial type meters. By installing those and switching three of the present meters to a different location the water will be accurately measured.

Tedrow mentioned that the meter at the elementary school isn't a low flow meter and doesn't measure under 3 gallons a minute. The meter at the high school is so old probably nothing under 12 gallons a minute is being measured. The meters at Vinton's Apartments are at least 20 years old and the ones at the Senior Citizens Apartments need to be replaced with low flow meters.

Tedrow stated the cost of 7 new meters would be \$4535.85 including the connections:

- 1 3" compound meter - \$1185
- 3 2" compound meters - \$842. ea.
- 3 1 1/2" SR with remote - \$274.95 ea.

He suggested replacing the industrial meters first and then gradually replace the residential meters, possibly 50 at a time.

The residential meters sell for \$42. each - \$10. additional with a remote readout and are covered by a 15 year warranty.

Tedrow stated Water Products had an excellent program for rebuilding. They will rebuild a meter every ten years for 1/2 the price of a new meter.

He thought it wise if the city would establish in their ordinances that the meters should be sealed and there would be a fine for tampering with the meter.

Gearhart stated someone will visit with the owners of these industrial meters and also check with Don Kliebenstein to see if they can be changed legally.

Bill Grabe and Larry Neal were present and presented their progress so far on the storm sewer study. He stated that they have done three things:

- 1. Compiled a contour map
- 2. Looked at the existing system
- 3. Identified drainage areas