

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 9, 1983

The regular meeting of the Conrad City Council was called to order by Mayor Vane Graham at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Council members present: Zern, King, Peters, Gearhart
absent: Lutes

Others present: Rilla Fox, Ed Jebousek, John McNair, Vic Gearhart, Bob Krusé, Gary Moler and Don Kliebenstein.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The treasurer's report was accepted in a motion by Gearhart and second by Zern.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Craig R. Vinton	Salary 4/8-4/16/83	268.14
First State Bank	Fed. WH 3/83	604.00
IPERS-FOAB	S.S. 3/83	625.42
IPERS	IPERS 3/83	432.66
Craig R. Vinton	Salary 4/18-4/23/83	221.87
Post Office	Registered mail	11.90
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Iowa WH - 1st qtr.	445.87
Reva Ladehoff	Cleaning 4/83	8.40
Denny L. Metge	Salary 4/83	74.64
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Ia. Sales Tax-1st qtr.	285.83
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Premium 5/83	392.14
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills 4/83	2119.27
Craig R. Vinton	Salary 4/29 & 4/30/83	78.38
City of Conrad's Bond Checking Acct.	Coupon payment	217.50
Grundy County Auditor	Sunday sales fee	15.00
General Telephone	Bills 4/83	261.67
Craig R. Vinton	Salary 4/2,3,6 & 7	138.67
Friday's Standard Service	Gas 4/83	58.47
Casey's General Store	Gas 4/83	225.33
Schleisman DX Station	Gas 4/83	127.53
McNair Body Shop	Painting sewer plant	281.90
Kibby, Inc.	Hdware & serv. call	192.73
Broadbent Distributing Co.	oil additive	425.06
Surplus Property Division	Annual charge '83	25.00
Best Rental Center	Rental/equipment	658.40
Conrad Cooperative	Lumber	5.16
Purolator Courier	Samples	46.20
Robert D. Kruse	Cleaning & painting pool	700.00
Conrad Sales Co.	Labor on motor	20.00
Conrad Pharmacy	Supplies	5.93
Blythe Concrete, Inc.	Concrete & roadstone	177.63
Schiebel Electric	Work at sewer plant	287.92
Arnold Motor Supply	Parts,paint	15.08
Conrad NAPA Auto Supply	Parts & supplies	69.48
Graham Equipment Corp.	Parts/maintainer	73.63
Ames Rentals, Inc.	Scaffolding/sewer plant	96.60
Wassam Company	Paint & thinner	76.05
Diamond Vogel Paints	Paint/sewer plant	25.09
Acco Unlimited Corporation	Chlorine	406.00
Smeal Fire Equipment Co.	Bulbs & lens/FD	114.15
Conrad Record	Publications 4/83	71.70
SERCO, Inc.	Prof. services 4/83	1000.00
Glick Supply Co., Inc.	Cut & thread pipe	17.40
University Hygienic Lab.	Check fluoride samples	24.00
MPH Industries, Inc.	Service charge/radar	28.45
Grundy County Engineer	Used salt/sand spreader	250.00
Grundy County Auditor	Landfill	662.25

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

King reported she had checked with Bob Klein and the city's Liability insurance was increased to \$500,000. in September. Also that the police car and new tractor are covered.

Vic Gearhart of Municipal Pipe Tool Co. of Hudson explained a 5 year maintenance program for the city sewers. He proposed that the cost the first year would be \$8400., \$3900. for jetting or cleaning approximately 15,500 ft. at .26 per foot and \$4500. for root cutting approximately 9,025 ft. at .50 per foot. In 1984 12,070 feet would be cleaned by jetting and after this the company would negotiate with the city as to how much sewer to clean each year. Gearhart stated the city would save 35% by using the 5 year plan and also under the plan a stoppage is taken care of at no charge.

Mayor Graham stated that he would like to wait until the next regular meeting to make a decision on this as Lutes, chairman of the sanitation committee was not present.

Don Kliebenstein stated that he lacked one page of the cable television franchise from Cable Syndications so no action could be taken on this. He stated that after the adoption of the ordinance, there will need to be two publications and the matter submitted to the voters probably in July.

A letter was received from Dave Fox of Clapsaddle-Garber Assoc. concerning a few comments on the construction taking place in the Blythe addition. He was questioning whether the 15 foot easement was adequate on Lots 14,15,16 & 17. Also, that the fire hydrants installed did not meet the specifications as provided to the City by Gene Blythe. He suggested that the City require the subdeveloper to perform and document all testing requirements on both the sewer and water main as is outlined in the approved project specifications prior to acceptance of these facilities as part of the City system. He stated plans should also be requested to document the exact location of the utilities for future maintenance needs.

Gearhart was appointed by Mayor Graham to contact Dave Fox and have him write to Hollis Ryken, Blythe's engineer, that the city requests a letter stating that all the water and sewer specifications have been met.

RESOLUTION (SUMMARY)

COUNCILMAN GEARHART INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THREE QUIT CLAIM DEEDS CONVEYING TO THE CITY OF CONRAD A CERTAIN PERPETUAL PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT SITUATED ON LOT 14,15,16 & 17 IN BLYTHE'S ADDITION AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. COUNCILMEMBER ZERN SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT.

AYES: ZERN, KING, PETERS, GEARHART

NAYS: NONE

MAYOR GRAHAM DECLARED THIS RESOLUTION DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 9TH DAY OF MAY, 1983.

Vane E. Graham
VANE GRAHAM, MAYOR

ATTEST: *Carol Whipple*
CAROL WHIPPLE, CLERK

Peters was appointed by Mayor Graham to report to the board of the Presbyterian Church that the sump pump at the manse will need to be disconnected from the sanitary sewer and connected to the storm sewer.

The purchase of a new street sweeper was discussed. Moler stated that a reconditioned sweeper could no doubt be purchased at Eddy-Walker in Des Moines for \$16,000. or \$17,000. and they would take the old sweeper in on trade. Mayor Graham felt it was "a must that we invest in a sweeper". Moler will contact Eddy-Walker to see what is available and about the possibility of trying out a sweeper for 30 days.

The council also discussed purchasing a used pick up truck. Conrad Sales has a Ford pick up for sale for \$3,000. The motor was overhauled just a year ago. Peters and King will look at this truck and see if it would be suitable.

McNair presented a bid from Schiebel Electric to reset the fire siren to ring for a shorter period of time but not less than one minute. The amount of the bid was \$218.61. The siren would still have a 3 minute up and down tone for a storm warning.

There was a motion by King, second by Zern to have Schiebel Electric reset the fire siren. Motion carried.

A bid was received from Banzhaf Roofing of Marshalltown for a roof for the library and city hall, for \$3622.39. The material would be a single ply adhered rubber roof covering with a life expectancy of 20 years and a five year guarantee against leakage. King will contact ~~Kirk Cross~~ of Jesup for a second bid.

Peters reported that Clyde Newton contacted him in regard to the sewer rates again and indicated he will pursue a law suit.

Moler stated that some of the fire hydrants in town needed to be flushed because of a sulphur taste at some of the dead ends. Mayor Graham asked McNair if the fire department could do this. He stated they would at their next meeting.

Moler stated that an overhead water system with an air gap was needed at the water tower to fill tank trucks and wagons. No action was taken.

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

Van E. Graham
Van E. Graham, Mayor

Attest: Carol Whipple
Carol Whipple, Clerk

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SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 13, 1983
12 NOON

Councilmembers present: Zern, King, Peters, Gearhart & Lutes

Mayor Graham stated the purpose of the meeting was to vote to okay the purchase of a street sweeper and a pick up truck. A bid from Eddy-Walker in Des Moines for a street sweeper was presented for \$17,500. less trade in of \$3500. for the old sweeper and less \$250. for a new broom and tire or a total price of \$13,750. There was a motion by Zern to purchase a street sweeper from Eddy-Walker in Des Moines.

Lutes felt that before a new sweeper was purchased the Tennant Co. should be contacted to see if the old sweeper can be made to operate properly. If not it may be possible for the Tennant Co. to sell the sweeper for the city. Peters will contact Moler to make an appointment with the Tennant salesman. Motion to purchase a sweeper was tabled.

It was also suggested that Peters get Eddy-Walkers cash price without the trade in.

Lutes made a motion to purchase a 1972 Ford 6 cylinder pick up truck for \$1500. from Countryside Ford Mercury Inc. in Grundy Center. Second by King. Carried.

There was a motion by King to pay a bill from Bob's Farm Center for \$547.95 and Gearhart Welding for \$8,755.34. It was pointed out by the mayor that this item of business wasn't on the agenda and therefore couldn't be acted upon. It was noted that action has been taken at other times when items are not on the agenda. There was much discussion as to the consequences if these bills were allowed while the councilmen were on the city council.

Mayor Graham felt the councilmen should resign so that there would be no repercussions when the bills were paid. Gearhart offered his resignation at one point but the council refused to accept it maintaining it would not solve the problem.