

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

Council members present: Bob Zern, Dorothy King, Bud Peters, Bill Gearhart & Bob Lutes

Others present: Rilla Fox, Bruce Malstrom, Betty Zern, Les & Jean Hoppenworth, Steve Metge, John McNair, Tiny Gallentine, Gary Moler, Rich Meester, Bob Kruse, Don Kliebenstein, Pat Whitmire, Jim Molloy, Cliff Wilson, Pearl Miller, Dale Clapsaddle, Ray Koch, Jon & Jane Gallentine & Ed Jebousek.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was accepted in a motion by Zern, second by Peters. Carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Franzenburg's	Paper towels	3.00
First State Bank	Fed. WH 6/83	391.50
IPERS - FOAB	S. S. 6/83	490.24
IPERS	IPERS 6/83	338.80
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 7/15 -7/20/83	91.55
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 7/8/-7/13/83	94.76
Lynn Critchfield	Refund/water dep.	30.00
Dennis Hughes	" " "	18.76
Conrad Cemetery	Budget allot. 1st half	350.00
Conrad Park Board	" " " "	10,000.00
Dan Keyser	Repair library roof	2,268.51
Reva Ladehoff	Cleaning 7/83	9.45
Denny L. Metge	Salary 7/83	93.90
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Premium 8/83	392.41
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills 7/83	1,565.40
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Ia. sales tax 2nd qtr.	390.37
Treasurer, State of Iowa	State WH 2nd qtr.	367.50
Jeff Skartvedt	Salary 7/22-7/28/83	124.66
General Telephone Co.	Bills 7/83	261.87
Craig Vinton	Salary 7/83	352.61
Conrad Independent Insurance	Ins. package 7/83 - 7/84	6,426.00
D & W TV & Appliance	Dehumidifier/FD	237.45
McNair Body Shop	Repair work & rim	57.00
Kibby, Inc.	Hdware & supplies	138.97
Conrad Record	Publications 7/83	197.05
Charlie's Market	Supplies	2.82
John's Garage	Repair/grader & sweeper	318.02
Gearhart Welding	Repair work	158.97
Schleisman DX Station	Gas & diesel 7/83	83.00
Bob's Tire & Auto Serv. Center	Tractor tire & flat rpr.	117.69
Conrad Fire Department	3rd & 4th qtr. payment	1,032.00
Bill Hartwig Excavating	Digging/ North Main	220.00
Best Rental Centers	Rental/air comp.	51.10
ISCO, Inc.	Repair flow meter	93.04
Conrad NAPA Auto Supply	Supplies 7/83	4.14
Conrad Sales Co., Inc.	Hauling sweepers	262.00
Water Environment Technology, Inc.	Prof. services 7/83	550.00
RACOM Service Corporation	Service charge	15.00
Campbell Supply Co.	Air compressor	586.26
Watertower Paint and Repair	Work on tower/maint. cont.	1703.00
HACH	Chemicals	42.89
Purolator Courier	Transport w/w sample	6.40

Gearhart reported that Fishel Construction is finishing streets now and has a day or two of driveways to do. The county will repair the intersection at Center and Washington. Fishel has smoothed the bridges out and has repaired South Center at Duesenbert Dr. He reported that \$8600. has been spent for patching, \$10,000. for seal coat and \$5,000. for curb and storm sewer outlets. Gearhart stated that if there was any patch left a spur would be put in at the water tower where the overhead water fill is. The lines for school crossings and etc. will be painted next week.

Lutes and Gearhart reported they had met with Bill Grabe from CGA as to the two drainage problems in town. Lutes stated that Geise is still going to meet with a representative from the ASC office as to a waterway in his field. Lutes said the berm will need to be raised to the original specified level or 8 inches higher in Sharps yard and a portion of her drive and alley concreted or blacktopped. Other members of the council had reservations about this. Zern felt CGA should make it right and that would solve any problems in the future. Lutes asked the council members and mayor to look at the situation before they form an opinion. He estimated the cost at \$700. to \$800.

As to the situation in northeast Conrad, Hartwig will dig up the storm sewer between the corner of Vernon & Maple east to the alley to see if it is plugged. The bee hive would also be moved 25 to 30 feet to the east so the water will flow to it. If this isn't the problem a larger storm sewer will need to be put in.

Moler reported that the city's contract with SERCO has been assigned to Water Environment Technology, Inc., Larry Breimhurst, president. But they have kept the name SERCO for their laboratory. Don Kliebenstein reported this was legally fine if it was agreeable with the city. Moler also stated that the old street sweeper has been delivered to Eddy Walker and that the dump has been leveled and a fence and gate will be put across the entrance.

Pat Whitmire was present to object to the swimming pool closing earlier than the advertised hours, which were 1 to 9 P.M. Sunday through Friday and 1 to 6 P.M. on Saturday. She felt that this happened numerous times this summer. Tiny Gallentine also objected to the pool not being open the published hours. Jean Hoppenworth stated she felt more adults would swim if it were open evening hours. Jim Molloy stated he wasn't aware that the pool was closing too early. He said it had been the policy in the past to close early if there were too few swimmers or the weather too cool. He stated it cost approximately \$25.00 per hour to keep the pool open. Bill Gearhart was appointed by Mayor Graham to meet with Molloy to try to solve the problem for next summer.

Cliff Wilson objected to the new burning ordinance adopted by the council at the July meeting. His presentation is included here in the minutes. In answer to Wilson's objection to the burning of two buildings, Fire Chief McNair stated that they had been used as training sessions and that the fire department applies to the state for a permit to burn a building without consulting the mayor. Wilson maintained that the council could have handled isolated burning instances with the nuisance ordinance. Don Kliebenstein pointed out that filing a petition in district court is very expensive and time consuming. With the new ordinance the fire can be extinguished and a ticket issued and it is a much simpler procedure. After much discussion the council asked Kliebenstein to reword the ordinance to allow burning in indoor fireplaces, wood burning stoves and federally approved incinerators.

Steve Metge then asked Mayor Graham if the fire department in the future

the third reading. Vote was all-ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

After some discussion on defective water meters the clerk was asked to write letters to those concerned and inform them that if their water meter wasn't in working order by October 1st they would be charged double their usual water and sewer bill.

Mayor Graham appointed Lutes and Gearhart as a committee to negotiate terms to lease city property to be used as a cable television sub-station.

Lutes asked Kliebenstein what could be done if a lot isn't mowed by the owner. He stated that the city can mow and charge the amount against the property taxes.

There was a motion by Lutes and second by King to approve the following salaries effective July 1, 1983:

Bob Kruse - \$18,020. annually

Carol Whipple - \$5280. annually

Brian Mohr - \$550. annually

Craig Vinton - \$6.36 per hour

Reva Ladehoff - \$5.00 per hour

Part time help - \$3.50 and up at the descretion of the council committees
Motion was carried.

Denny Metge's salary was to stay the same, that is \$20.00 per week end or \$10.00 per day. Gary Moler's salary had already been negotiated and is \$16,000. at the present time. It will increase to \$16,500. on 1/84 and increase an additional \$500. when he is certified as a Grade II operator.

The council agreed to pay Craig Vinton for his August police duty at this time but in the future he would only be paid after he has worked the hours.

A Sunday Sales permit ^{for the Council} was approved in a motion by Gearhart and second by Lutes. Motion carried.

It was determined that the road behind John's Garage is Walnut Street and not an alley. Walt Neuroth had approached Lutes about the holes there. It was reported some rock had been put in the holes.

Bob Kruse stated that Darrell Bunn had called and asked if Grant St. between his house and Larry Olson's was going to be sealcoated. This portion of the street evidently wasn't included in the plans.

The problem of sump pumps was again discussed. Gearhart stated one party had talked to him and asked him what to do if there was no storm sewer within two blocks. The council agreed that a policy needed to be established. ^{if the storm sewer is not available} It was agreed upon to have the line from the sump pumps run into the gutter with a valve to switch to the sanitary sewer in the winter time when ice in the streets could cause a problem.

Mayor Graham asked the council to be thinking about hiring a second man to work with Moler.

Gearhart thought the possibility of rest room and shower facilities should be looked into for the city shop.

Kruse reported that he will be retiring Ben on September 1st and is looking at another dog to replace him.

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