

Regular Meeting
March 14, 1988

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

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

Others present: Linda Waugh, Dave Colin, Dave Fox, John Wood, Mick Fishel, Bob Kruse, Dick Rolston, Don Kliebenstein

The February minutes were approved.

The treasurer's report was approved in a motion by Lutes, second by Sanderson and carried.

The finance committee presented the following bills:

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| Reva Ladehoff | Cleaning 2/88 | 12.00 |
| Iowa Electric Light and Power | Bills 1/88 | 2,785.18 |
| Time Insurance Company | Premium 3/88 | 511.00 |
| First State Bank | Fed WH & SS 2/88 | 1,403.00 |
| Treasurer, State of Iowa | IA WH 2/88 | 195.75 |
| IPERS | IPERS | 582.37 |
| First State Bank | Box rent | 7.50 |
| Acco Unlimited Corporation | Chlorine & tubing | 364.00 |
| Home Care of Iowa, Ltd. | UPS charges | 6.39 |
| General Telephone | Bills 3/88 | 199.06 |
| Conrad Record | Publications 2/88 | 167.84 |
| RACOM Corporation | Radio repair | 23.44 |
| Water Pollution Control | Membership renewal | 22.50 |
| City of Marshalltown | Lab tests | 17.00 |
| Conrad Tire & Auto | Tires & fuel pump | 177.90 |
| Gearhart Welding | Repairs | 174.73 |
| Bill Hartwig Excavating | Repair water main breaks | 466.94 |
| Lacal Equipment Co. | Street sweeper parts | 313.44 |
| Ed M. Feld Equipment Co. | 25 hoods | 425.00 |
| Smeal Fire Equipment Co. | Tank liner | 159.01 |
| Barco | Barricades & striping | 273.32 |
| McNair's | Towing car | 19.50 |
| Cessford Construction | Roadstone | 74.98 |
| Casey's General Store | Gas 2/88 | 199.05 |
| Pronto | Gas 2/88 | 13.50 |
| Charlie's Market | Supplies | 10.49 |
| Stewart Building Center | Plywood | 17.28 |
| Bob's Farm Center | Hydraulic oil | 19.70 |
| Conrad Pharmacy | Supplies | 24.75 |
| Conrad NAPA Auto Supply | Parts & supplies | 222.74 |
| Kibby, Inc. | Hardware & service call | 217.85 |
| Conrad Cooperative | Diesel fuel | 45.35 |
| Conrad Sales Co., Inc. | Tractor blade & parts | 141.58 |
| SERCO | Analysis/water samples | 150.00 |
| Grundy County Auditor | Landfill 3/88 | 662.25 |

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

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| Total revenue for February 1988: \$20,407.53 | |
| General - 10,067.69 | Debt Service - 1,961.39 |
| Sewer - 796.87 | '82 St. Assessment - 1,884.35 |
| Water - 1,828.40 | '87 St. Assessment - 256.44 |
| Road Use Tax - 3,612.39 | |

There were no building permits issued during February.

Dave Colin reported the following:

- State is requiring Conrad to sample quarterly for nitrate until the test meets standards
- State requires that city employees spraying for mosquitoes be certified. (Moler and Colin are to obtain study materials and be tested)
- Tile under road in trailer court needs to be taken to railroad bed so area can be landscaped

- Test for zinc at Ritchie's will be required weekly (Lutes will contact Ritchie in regard to paying for this test)
- Fire department tanker should be finished by Friday

On behalf of the Fire Department Colin stated he wished to purchase several pair of Nomex bunker pants for the department at a cost of \$135 to \$140 each. The council okayed the purchase of 10 pair now.

Colin asked if the money the townships pay for fire protection could be raised. Mayor Gearhart stated that the townships were told several years ago that when the fire truck and fire station was paid for the rate would be lowered. The clerk is to check with the auditor's office to see what other townships in the area pay.

John Wood, representing the American Legion, asked that two signs on the two center poles on Main Street be moved as the flags that the Legion places on the poles get caught on the signs on a windy day and tear. Colin will look into this and see what can be done.

The budget hearing was held at 7:30 P.M. as advertised. There were no written or oral objections.

RESOLUTION

COUNCIL MEMBER LUTES INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FY '88 - '89 DESIGNATING \$14,094 IN FEDERAL FUNDS TO COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND MOVED IT BE ADOPTED. COUNCIL MEMBER SANDERSON SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT.

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

NAYS: NONE

MAYOR GEARHART DECLARED THIS RESOLUTION DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF MARCH, 1988.


BILL GEARHART, MAYOR

ATTEST:


CAROL WHIPPLE, CLERK

Dave Fox, representing the committee working on the Ritchie expansion proposal, gave the council an update and answered questions. He stated that Larry Olson is doing the building design and it will be approximately 47,000 square feet, a direct extension of the building line there now. The council was agreeable to making the utility relocation or replacement a part of the contract with the building development. Fox stated that with tax increment financing the project would generate \$150,000 capital over a ten year period. Three appraisals will be finished by the end of this week and the three remaining ones will be started next week. Fox stated he felt it was Ritchie's intent to acquire all of the properties. The clerk is to contact the Planning and Zoning Commission to meet and discuss parking lots in regard to the Zoning Ordinance. They may want to make a recommendation to the council in regard to this. Some of the land acquired by Ritchie's will need to be used for a parking lot.

Dave Fox presented a plaque to the city from the Consulting Engineers Council of Iowa recognizing Conrad and Clapsaddle-Garber Associates for the wastewater treatment plant project.

Mick Fishel, Allison, presented a proposal for seal coat street repairs for the summer of 1988. The price for single seal coat with pea rock is .80 a sq. yd. and limestone chips is .77 a sq. yd. Cold mix patch is \$75 a ton. Motion by Schiebel, second by Lutes to accept proposal from Fishel for any work to be done this summer. Carried.

Dick Rolston and the council discussed Rolston's lease for the west park with Don Kliebenstein. The lease will be rewritten to include the city leveling the fill dirt and seeding that area with broom and then will be signed.

There was a motion by Schiebel, second by Lutes to enter into this lease with Rolston. Motion carried.

A hazardous waste ordinance will be sent to the council members by Don Kliebenstein to look over before the next meeting.

It was agreed not to send letters to property owners in the southern section of Conrad in regard to reading their water meters before the first of April. This will be done by Moler and Colin.

A letter was received from Dowden Cable Partners that they have sold 100% of their assets to Triax Midwest Associates of Barrington, Illinois. A resolution regarding this will be acted upon at a later date.

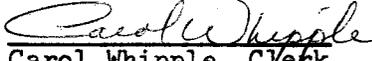
Mayor Gearhart stated that he contacted Municipal Pipe Tool to televise more sanitary sewer lines. They will televise the block behing Gary Boyle in the Clemens Addition going east to behind Schryver's. Also approximately 75 feet of line will be televised at the lift station and beyond the dike going south toward the club house.

Mayor Gearhart noted some work to be done this spring:

- Have Brycon replace storm sewer inlet and curb on Center St. by Vinton Apartments.
- Widen alley ^{approach} between Gary Moler and Fire Station so trucks can get in the alley without driving in the grass and over the sidewalk.
- Pour concrete and shape area around beehives on the corner of Maple and Alice.
- If Brockway's is torn down, a dead end fire hydrant in the alley by the Vinton Apartments will be looped back to the hydrant on the corner of Center and Washington.

Motion to adjourn by Sanderson, second by Schiebel. Carried.


Bill Gearhart, Mayor


Attest: Carol Whipple, Clerk