

May 11, 1992
Regular Meeting

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

Council members present: Krause, Sanderson, Schiebel, King, Lutes
Others present: Randy Adelmund, Gary Moler and Don Kliebenstein

Minutes of the April 13th meeting were approved.

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

The finance committee presented the following bills:

Shane Tiernan	Bldg permit	25.00
Tate Snyder	Refund/water deposit	2.44
Reva Ladehoff	Cleaning	12.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Sales tax	509.14
First State Bank	941 taxes 4/92	1,020.88
Treasurer, State of Iowa	IA WH 4/92	158.19
IPERS	IPERS 4/92	374.41
Iowa Electric Light and Power	Bills 4/92	2,319.74
Shane Tiernan	Bldg permit	15.00
Franzenburg's	Paper towels	5.88
Don Sears	Used manifold	50.00
Bob's Farm Center	Diesel & grass seed	68.58
Edward Lucas	Saw sharpening	6.00
Conrad Clinic	Hepatitis injections	144.00
Blink Electric Motors	Repair sump pump	12.50
City of Marshalltown	Lab tests	61.50
Conrad Auto Supply	Supplies	79.92
Kibby's	Supplies	88.79
W. S. Darley	Drum tops	115.22
Gearhart Welding	Bolts	2.46
Richard Anderson	Snow removal & mowing	56.00
Conrad Foods	Supplies	33.92
Cessford Construction	Roadstone	197.14
Dorsey & Whitney	Legal services	2,408.64
Moler Sanitation	Sewer plant/container	234.00
Roger Moler	Recycling service	300.00
GTE North	Bills 4/92	254.15
Conrad Record	Publications	81.85
Iowa Wholesale Supply	Valves & fittings	30.33
Brycon Corporation	Street repair	2,445.00
Grundy County Sheriff	Law enforcement	3,166.66
Grundy County Landfill	Landfill	878.42
Casey's General Store	Gas & misc.	249.81

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

Total revenue for April 1992: \$115,699.69	
General - 54,015.56	Tax Inc. Fund - 20,980.22
Sewer - 7,025.54	Debt Service - 18,153.91
Water - 11,015.05	'82 Street - 236.36
Road Use Tax - 4,273.05	

Gary Moler told the council of his decision to stay with Acco Unlimited Corp. and switch to liquid chlorine at \$1.98 a gallon. The only expense will be \$75.00 for a permit and a 220 plug-in in each well house. Acco would assure that a back up pump was available. The start up fee with Feed-Rite Controls as presented at last months meeting was almost \$1,000. Lutes made the motion to use Acco's liquid chlorine system, second by Sanderson. Carried.

Gary reported that R. G. Wiltse of New Sharon is investigating running a water line from the former Clemens property north of Conrad and hooking onto the city water. He wishes to run a 6" line and tee into Conrad's 4" line. He suggested a contract whereby the City would not be responsible for the quality or pressure of the water that reaches his property.

Mayor Gearhart suggested that in the future the City may want to run a 6" line from the corner of Main & Lillian to the hydrant at the corner of Main & North to create a loop in the system.

Moler noted that the wastewater treatment plant and the south lift station were working fine but that a pump needed to be pulled and cleaned.

In regard to an inquiry from Schiebel, Moler stated that the sewer line on Washington Street had been flushed in early spring. He also noted that Mike Bolton's sewer backed up on Friday and Saturday but seemed to be fine by Sunday(yesterday).

Randy reported he had ordered chain for the sweeper and street signs to replace some old ones. He has been getting work done at the pool for the summer season.

It was agreed that the fire hydrants in town will be painted according to code.

Two building permits were issued:

Jerry Zehr	\$20,000	Rental storage facility
Audrey Kuhl	1,200	Deck

The first reading of Ordinance 196 was passed in a motion by Schiebel, second by Sanderson.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Krause, Sanderson, Schiebel, King

Nay: Lutes

Motion was carried.

Lutes moved and Krause seconded the motion to approve of Central Iowa Water Association serving potable water to its existing and new customers within two miles of the City of Conrad. Carried.

Joining the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities was discussed. They provide training sessions on OSHA regulations, written programs required by OSHA, newsletters and dividends through a city's insurance if there are no claims. The council wanted more information before making a decision.

John Cleary will send information to Mayor Gearhart on a digging ordinance. This will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Mayor Gearhart stated that GTE was in town ready to lay fiber optic cable but no agreement had ever been reached with the city as to the location of the cable. They will get a proposal to the Mayor as soon as possible.

A letter from JoeAnn Ennenga received by the city in January was again reviewed. In a call to the clerk she asked that her sewer problem be addressed and something done to solve the problem. Sanderson made a motion to pursue the project at Ennenga's property on Walnut St. Second by Krause. Carried.

The council agreed to have Hartwig lower the water line and eliminate two 45° elbows in the sewer line, straighten it out and join it to the sewer line as high as possible. This work will be done from where Hartwig joined her line and out to the main. If Ennenga is interested in coordinating laying her new sewer line at the same time she will be instructed to visit with Mayor Gearhart.

Ennenga is also interested in resurfacing the alley to the west of her property. Mayor Gearhart will obtain prices from John Cleary and visit with Ritchie's and the board of the Presbyterian Church to see if they are interested in sharing the cost.

Several requests by Main Street were okayed. Ten parking spaces will be blocked off on the west side of Main St. just north of Center on June 5th and each Friday through August for the Farmers Market. Permission was granted to block off Main St. from Grundy to Maple on June 13th for a car show and Grundy from Main east to the alley for a street dance. The use of the Fire Station will be worked out with the Fire Department.

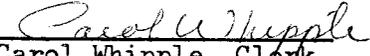
Randy reported the old dump has been burned and cleaned up. But it was agreed it will probably be used again because there is no other space to dump brush and limbs.

King will visit with Shane Tiernan in regard to writing a letter to the city with the Development Committee's plan on payback for lots sold. It was Lutes suggestion that 100% of the net proceeds come back to the city.

Mayor Gearhart noted that work by Construct will start in the Blythe Addition tomorrow.

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


Bill Gearhart, Mayor

Attest: 
Carol Whipple, Clerk

Special Meeting
May 12, 1992

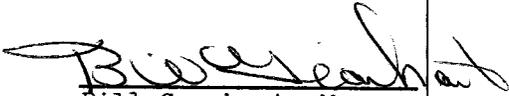
Members present: Krause, Schiebel, King, Lutes
" absent: Sanderson

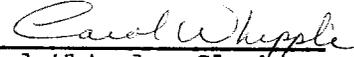
The purpose of the meeting is to approve GTE's request to lay cable. Their plan is to cut a two foot square hole in the concrete alley at the GTE building, come up the alley more than half way and cut another 18" square hole. They will then go the alley in the block north and bore back to their building. They will continue laying the conduit up the alley to Lillian, go west on the south side of the street to the alley between Main and Washington and north again through the alleys and then through the park. The cable will then go east a half block and then north out of town. Any concrete or sod will be returned to it's original condition. This proposal was accepted in a motion by Lutes, second by Schiebel. Carried.

Several evergreen trees in the Blythe Addition will need to be moved to make room for the street that will be built there. The city will use one tree to replace a dead on in that line of trees. It was suggested that the others be offered to Stanley Leise for \$250 each as he expressed an interest.

Lutes made several comments in regard to stop signs. The U turns on Main St. were discussed again. It was agreed to ask Rick Penning to attend the June council meeting and address several questions to him.

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


Bill Gearhart, Mayor

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