

February 14, 2008

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 02/14/08 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members Bill Gearhart, LeAnn Lynch, Sue McLeland, and Lowell Schleisman. Absent: Gary Stattler. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council member Gearhart moved, Schleisman seconded, to suspend the taping of this meeting due to technical difficulties with the tape recorder. Ayes: 4.

The agenda was approved as posted. Schleisman moved, Gearhart seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 01/07/08 & 01/21/08 council meetings; January 2008 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$130,915.98. Ayes: 4.

The following claims include expenses for the City, Park Board, Library, Museum, Fire Department, and B-CERT.

A-Kleen Towel, service	38.75	Iowa Firemen's Association, dues	180.00
Advanced Water, chemicals	305.20	Iowa League of Cities, DATA dues	30.00
Airgas, lease renewal	127.18	Iowa Library Association, dues	125.00
Alliant, utilities	7,054.78	Iowa One Call, locates	1.80
Alltel, cell phones	74.38	IVCE, BCERT training	380.00
Birds & Bloom, periodicals	13.00	The Iowan Magazine, periodical	19.95
Bjelland Plumbing, services	1,462.54	Jones Library Sales, library	33,851.65
Bob's Farm Center, trucking/diesel	1,235.86	KB Underground, labor	4,160.00
Card Maker, periodical	21.95	Robert & JoAnn Klein, burn lease	300.00
Carl's Electric, parts & labor	2,322.66	Ladehoff Lawn Care, snow removal	1,110.00
CID, supplies	1,892.80	Library Petty Cash, misc.	192.95
Cessford Const., trial paving	15,000.00	Michael Todd, street supply	674.40
Click, periodical	32.97	Mid Iowa Coop, diesel	157.75
Community Title, abstract	240.00	Mitinet, subscription	189.00
Conrad Auto, supplies	192.67	Moler Sanitation, services	90.00
Library Foundation, reimburse	4,862.71	Monkeytown, supplies	5.72
Cuisine at Home, periodical	22.00	MES, fire equipment	553.30
Dave's Crane, wrecker service	200.00	Municipal Pipe & Tool, jetting	427.00
Des Moines Stamp, office supply	24.05	Platinum Plus, postage/parts	629.21
DKD Consulting, library expense	348.75	Polk Directories, publication	158.50
Farm & Ranch, periodical	14.88	Premier, library contract/service	692.00
First National Bank, library items	597.14	Proshield Fire Protection, inspection	449.00
Garling Const., library project	12,086.85	Public Safety Center, supplies	111.49
Mike Goodman, refund	63.59	The Record, publications	141.53
Grundy County, election expense	489.90	State of Iowa, sales tax	1,236.47
Grundy Co. Recorder, fee	44.00	Struxture Architects, fees	178.29
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,436.08	Test America, lab	313.43
Hallmark Magazine, periodical	9.95	That Place, fire annual meeting	264.76
Hanzelka Truck Service, repairs	2,726.40	Tri-State Lock, padlocks	180.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	696.48	US Postmaster, box rent	20.00
Heronimus, Schmidt, Allen, legal	1,374.00	Upstart, SLP Supplies	99.58
Hometown Foods, supplies	13.07	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	4,649.84
Denise Hoy, mileage	29.17	Jennifer Yantis, clean	20.00
Ingram, books & supplies	369.36	Wages, 01/08/08 to 02/14/08	20,505.24
Innovative Communications, moving	280.00		
Iowa Codifications, code update	115.00	Totals Claims	\$130,915.98

Expenses per fund: General \$41,746.04; Road Use Tax \$8,237.14; Employee Benefit \$1,929.90; LOST \$4,649.84; TIF \$284.00; Library Bldg Project \$52,939.23; Water \$14,141.80; Sewer \$6,988.03. January 2008 receipts per fund: General \$8,371.49; RUT \$8,721.40; Employee Benefits \$126.86; LOST \$5,470.39; TIF \$422.35; Debt Service \$137.21; Library Building Project \$272,854.78; Water \$11,296.28; Sewer \$30,579.48. Total \$337,980.24.

The monthly clerks report and budget reports were reviewed and discussed in detail by council members. Council also reviewed budget requests, revenues, and projection for fiscal year 2009. Gearhart moved to set the public hearing on the fiscal year 2009 budget for March 13, 2008, at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, Schleisman seconded. Ayes: 4.

Council member Schleisman moved and Gearhart seconded to adopt resolution #1-2008.02, "A Resolution Approving Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments Revised Articles of Agreement." Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, McLeland.

Council member Schleisman moved and Gearhart seconded to adopt resolution #2-2008.02, "A Resolution Approving Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments Membership." Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, McLeland.

Council member McLeland moved and Lynch seconded to increase the city contribution for IRS authorized employee benefits for insurance and/or cafeteria plans to \$350 per month, for eligible employees. Ayes: 4.

City Clerk Hoy was instructed to amend truck parking ordinance #69.09 by striking the sentence designating a specific place for trucks to park. Council will consider the revised ordinance at the regular March council meeting.

Council member Gearhart moved, Schleisman seconded, to adopt resolution #3-2008.02, "A Resolution Adopting General Guidelines Regarding Sewer Backup for the City of Conrad." Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, McLeland.

Sewer main slip lining, video taping and cleaning, and the Duesenberg Drive/Tucker Trail water line were topics of brief discussion. Council will consider these projects in their capital improvement planning exercises.

With no further business evident, council adjourned at 9:01 PM.

H. Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk