

March 12, 2009

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 03/12/09 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members LeAnn Lynch, Bill Gearhart, Lowell Schleisman, and Sue McLeland. Gary Stattler arrived at 7:08 PM. Press member Charles Friend and Chuck Carpenter were also present. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved as published. Gearhart moved, McLeland seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 02/12/09 council meeting; February 2009 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$86,711.18; Liquor License for Hometown Foods. Ayes: 4.

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

A & B Construction, rehab	9,460.00	IPERS, W/H	1,353.11
A-Kleen Towel, service	40.50	Gary Krause, training	135.00
Accucut, library equipment	260.00	Ladehoff Lawn Care, snow removal	804.00
Alliant, utilities	6,062.84	Petty Cash, library	94.72
Alltel, cell phones	74.68	Matt Parrott, utility bill forms	378.02
Animal Rescue League, control	120.00	MCEMSA, BCERT training	25.00
B & G HVAC, repair	564.90	Donna Miller, rehab exp	60.00
Bank of America, gas/ misc.	676.30	Mitinet, library expense	189.00
Bob's Farm Center, diesel	100.40	Moler Sanitation, recycle/garbage	135.00
CID, supplies	215.29	MES, fire supplies	195.24
Computer Applications, technology	225.00	Municipal Supplies, clamp	119.50
Conrad Auto, supplies	117.97	Popular Mechanics, periodical	12.00
Conrad Grove Guesthouse, rehab exp	320.00	Popular Science, periodical	21.95
Demco, supplies	216.66	Premier Office Equipment, service	140.00
Electric Supply, parts	74.91	Radio Communications, repairs	111.50
First National Bank, library items	721.28	The Record, publication	339.80
Glo-Brite, window clean	75.00	Simmering-Cory, rehab	4,020.00
Grundy Co. Sheriff, two months	9,136.66	Jana Smith, mileage	85.00
HACH, chemicals	337.12	Southern Living, periodical	36.00
Hawkins, chemicals	281.10	State Library, conference	30.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	339.95	State of Iowa, w/h	455.00
Ingram Book Co., books	1,132.15	Test America, lab	282.03
IRS, federal W/H	2,830.40	Valves & Automation, parts	1,326.24
Iowa Codification, codification	47.50	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	4,583.97
ICAP, insurance premium	27,601.89	Wages, 02/13/09 to 03/12/09	10,601.60
Dept Health, pool license	70.00		
IA Valley Cont. Ed, training	75.00	Totals Claims	\$86,711.18

Expenses per fund: General \$43,498.82; Road Use Tax \$6,705.58; Employee Benefits \$1,755.57; LOST \$4,583.97; 08 Housing Rehab \$13,860.00; Water \$6,565.07; Sewer \$9,742.17. February 2009 receipts per fund: General \$3,548.40; RUT \$8,830.58; Employee Benefits \$237.50; LOST \$5,870.75; TIF \$380.10; Debt Service \$233.83; Water \$708.98; Sewer \$1,078.68; Total \$20,888.82.

Mayor Sharp opened the public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2010 budget at 7:02 PM. The following announcements regarding the budget were made: certified tax levy will be \$12.52; projected revenues \$1,188,782; projected expenditures \$1,229,866; projected ending fund balance on 6/30/2010 \$1,072,399. Having no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 7:05 PM.

Council member Gearhart moved, seconded by Lynch, to adopt resolution #3-2009.3 approving the annual budget and certification of city taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, McLeland.

Council member Gearhart moved, Schleisman seconded, to purchase a Case 570M XT Loader 4X4 Tractor with options including a grapple fork and lift forks at the net cost of \$62,803 after the trade in of the city's Case 580 SK loader tractor. Ayes: 5.

Council member Gearhart moved, Stattler seconded, to enter into an agreement with Municipal Street Improvement, Wyoming, Iowa, for patching and seal coating 8 section of street this summer at the estimated cost of \$25,142.05. Ayes: 5.

Council member Lynch moved, McLeland seconded, to approve resolution #4-2009.3 entering into a fiscal sponsor agreement with the Conrad Black Dirt Days Committee for a Community Foundation Grant application. Ayes: 5.

It was announced that an application for a Community Disaster Grant Program providing approximately \$2,409 to assist in the repair, replacement or upgrade of public infrastructure damaged in last years natural disasters will be applied for. Awarded funds will be used for the replacement of the observation deck on Wolf Creek.

Mayor Sharp announced that Deb McAteer has shown interest in the vacant council seat created by the resignation of Lowell Schleisman. Council authorized the City Clerk/ Admin to publish a public notice regarding their intent to make an appointment to fill the vacant seat at the April 9, 2009 council meeting. Eligible candidates interested in filling the vacancy should contact the City Clerk or Mayor prior to the appointment date.

Council member Schleisman introduced ordinance #252 amending the compensation for the Mayor's salary from \$1800 per year to \$1900 per year. Stattler seconded to approve the first reading. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council member Schleisman introduced ordinance #253 amending the compensation for Council members from \$25 per regular meeting, and \$17.50 per special meeting, to \$30 per regular and special meetings attended. McLeland seconded to approve the first reading. Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

With no further business evident, council adjourned at 7:42 PM.

H. Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, City Admin/Clerk