

March 12, 2015

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 03/12/15 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Peg Brown, Ryan Callaway, Diane Miller, Brad Murty, and Todd Schnathorst. Mayor Jeff Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The agenda was approved as presented.

Council member Callaway moved, second by Miller, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 02/12/15 council meeting; February 2015 clerk's financial reports; Payment of claims totaling \$111,038.71; Liquor License renewal for Hometown Foods; 5 year contracts with Felix, Clay, Palermo, Melrose and Vienna Township for Fire and First Response Services. Ayes: 5.

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

Advantage Admin, benefits	531.66	IPERS, benefit	2,772.56
Alliant, utilities	6,531.56	Jordan Hoy, mileage	156.98
Arnold Motor Supply, parts	9.49	Ladehoff Landscape, service	510.00
Bank of America, fuel/training	415.63	Library Petty Cash	173.47
Bankers Leasing, copier lease	115.00	Mercy College, training	59.50
Birdwatching, periodical	26.95	Mid-America, publishing	182.30
Bob's Farm Center, fuel/haul	812.08	Mid-Iowa Coop, fuel	80.71
Book Look, books	97.90	Mike Walton, window clean	75.00
Casey's, fuel	18.65	Mitinet, audio visual	199.00
CID, supplies	193.10	Moler Sanitation, services	272.00
CIWA, water	8,263.20	National Geographic, periodical	39.00
Conrad Auto, misc.	60.52	Premier Office, technology	68.23
Chamber-Main Street, training	35.00	Radio Communications, pager	770.00
Data Tech, software training	95.00	S. L. Baumeier, Smith Dev.	3,319.30
Dave Juchems, mileage	17.83	Scholastic, books	152.10
Denise Hoy, mileage	34.50	State of Iowa, Sales Tax	2,419.00
Dorsey & Whitney, legal	11,823.78	Test America, lab	246.75
First National Bank, library supply	628.86	That Place, meeting	427.75
Grundy County Recorder, fees	212.00	Toyne, truck repairs	3,204.93
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	5,614.79	Trans-Iowa, sweeper parts	1,356.04
HW Wilson, reference	432.50	US Postmaster, postage	133.28
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	284.95	Verizon, cell phone	84.12
Ingram, books	197.19	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOSST	5,381.90
IRS, taxes	9,281.95	Payroll, 02/13/15 to 03/12/15	12,622.24
ICAP, Insurance	30,528.46		
Public Health, pool	70.00	Totals Claims	\$111,038.71

February 2015 expenses per fund: General \$21,935; Road Use Tax \$7,104; Employee Benefit \$2,899; LOSST \$5,985; Smith Development \$3,319; Water \$16,496; Sewer \$15,114. Total \$72,852.

February 2015 receipts per fund: General \$5,056; RUT \$9,717; Employee Benefits \$102; Local Option \$7,041; TIF \$371; Debt Service \$80; Water \$2,524; Sewer \$2,808; Sewer Sinking \$8,049; Storm Water Utility \$280. Total \$36,028.

Council proceedings continued, 03/12/15

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing on the FY2016 Proposed Budget at 7:02 PM. City Clerk Hoy made the following announcements: Tax levy for the City of Conrad will be certified at \$11.23; Total Revenues including transfers in \$1,467,087; Total Expenditures including transfers out \$1,476,334; Projected ending cash balance 6/30/16 \$686,074. With no oral or written comments or objections, Mayor Martin closed the hearing.

Mayor Martin introduced resolution #2015-01.1 a resolution “Adopting the Annual Budget and Certifications of City Taxes for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016.” Ayes: Murty, Brown, Schnathorst, Callaway, Miller.

Council discussed the Smith Development with Engineer Lee Gallentine. They requested that Lee obtain a detailed timeline from Mark Lamar, SL Baumeier, for the remaining construction work at the development. Schnathorst expressed his concerns that Baumeier has not made good faith effort to complete the contract. Schnathorst asked the City Clerk and Mayor to contact the city attorney regarding his concerns and to advise if there is anything the city should be doing to protect them from contract default.

Council also agreed that it was not the city’s responsibility to provide dirt for the low spot in Robert Berry’s yard as the new storm sewer did not create the area of concern.

Council member Schnathorst moved to approve a quote from Denco Highway at a unit price of \$1.14 for crack sealing city streets, and to table any mud jacking work to be done in the city until other options could be explored, Murty seconded. Ayes: 5

Murty moved, seconded by Callaway, to appoint Lisa Purvis as the Official Zoning Administrator. Lisa will receive \$15 per building permit application. Ayes: 5.

Council tabled the web site makeover item.

Council member Callaway moved, second by Brown, to revoke the use of any city logo or city names on promotional material from NLC Warranty – Service Line Partners, the company that provides water and sewer line insurance. Ayes: 5.

With no further business evident, meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Jeff Martin, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator