

April 10, 2008

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 04/10/08 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members Bill Gearhart, LeAnn Lynch, Sue McLeland, Lowell Schleisman, and Gary Stattler. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved as posted. Moved by Gearhart, seconded Lynch, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 03/13/08 council meeting; March 2008 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$89,586.05; Acknowledge building permits from Dale Thurman, and from Brett Purvis. Ayes: 5.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	38.75	Innovative Communication, service	1,233.93
Advanced Water, chemicals	894.38	Iowa Codifications, fees	87.50
Alliant, utilities	7,579.21	ICAP, insurance	30,308.74
Alltel, cell phones	79.97	ISU, workshop	175.00
American Legion, flags	45.00	IPERS, w/h	978.17
Apple, computers	604.00	Jones Library Sales, library project	1,355.60
Audio Adventures, audio books	164.99	Ladehoff Lawn Care, snow removal	940.00
Birder's World, periodical	26.95	Library Petty Cash, misc.	98.32
Susan Blythe, mileage	29.37	Mid Iowa Coop, batteries	80.31
Bob's Farm Center, diesel	726.74	Moler Sanitation, services	210.00
The Book Farm, books	908.27	Monkeytown, supplies	63.90
Book Look, books	132.86	National Geographic, periodical	34.00
CaHoy Pump, new pump	9,371.00	NUCARA, remove bell tower	200.00
Carroll Distributing, pavers	1,010.00	NUCARA Pharmacy, supply	78.75
Casey's, gas	285.97	VISA, postage	16.25
Conrad Auto, supplies	218.15	Popular Mechanics, periodical	12.00
Country Living, periodical	21.37	Premier, library contract	127.00
Door & Fence, repairs	1,236.20	The Record, publications	104.16
Family Circle, periodical	19.98	Seventeen, periodical	14.97
Family Handyman, periodical	24.98	Roy Sharp, snow blowing	2,550.00
First National Bank, library items	694.94	Jana Smith, mileage	15.13
First State Bank, fed w/h	2,364.09	State of Iowa, w/h	350.00
Good Housekeeping, periodical	21.37	State of Iowa, sales tax	1206.41
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,436.08	Test America, lab	313.43
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	341.93	Wellmark, insurance premium	349.40
Hometown Foods, supplies	61.00	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	4,472.33
Denise Hoy, mileage	15.66	Wages, 3/14/08 to 04/10/08	12,109.95
Hygienic Labs, lab	45.00		
Ingram, books & supplies	702.59	Totals Claims	\$89,856.05

Expenses per fund: General \$42,094.74; Road Use Tax \$12,825.95; Employee Benefit \$1,597.01; LOST \$4,472.33; Library Bldg Project \$3,193.53; Water \$16,885.79; Sewer \$8,516.70. March 2008 receipts per fund: General \$23,996.63; RUT \$8,989.01; Employee Benefits \$1,012.41; LOST \$5,261.57; TIF \$3,610.15; Debt Service \$1,107.10; Library Building Project \$39,276.48; Water \$12,012.76; Sewer \$32,027.36. Total \$127,293.47.

Mayor Sharp welcomed Ashley Hespen, a BCLUW High School Civic student. Her Civic class is currently studying local government; Ashley was attending the meeting to observe how city council conducted their meetings.

Council Member Gearhart moved, Stattler seconded, to approve a new liquor license for Hometown Foods. Ayes: 5.

Council Member Schleisman moved, Stattler seconded, to adopt resolution #6-2008.4 "A Resolution Authorizing Internal Advance to Tax Increment Revenue Fund". Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council Member Lynch moved, McLeland seconded, to approve a claim of \$214 to Mike Purvis for loss of items as a result of a malfunctioning water pump at well #4. The clerk was instructed to turn the claim into the city's insurance under the moral obligation clause. Ayes: 5.

Council member Stattler moved, Schleisman seconded, to adopt resolution #7-2008.4 "A Resolution in Support of the Wolf Creek Childcare and BCLUW Community Schools Collaborative Efforts for a Four-Year-Old Preschool Program". Ayes: Schleisman, Gearhart, Lynch, Stattler, McLeland.

Council Member Schleisman moved, Lynch seconded, to advertise for a temporary full-time summer maintenance position. Ayes: 5.

Mayor Sharp set the date for a public hearing on the amendment of the fiscal year 2008 budget for May 8, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

Other points of discussion included:

- Allowing Mid-Iowa Cooperative to dump concrete at the concrete dump site from an old elevator being torn down at their Conrad site. The cost of dumping the concrete will be exchanged for excavating, covering, and seeding the site when they are finished.
- Gier Park was discussed, and later the council walked the property to look at lighting, tree removal, and landscaping. Council will ask the Park Board to make recommendations on these issues.
- Council discussed creating additional parking in the vacant lot on the south side of the fire station.

With no further business evident, council adjourned at 7:59 PM.

H. Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk