

April 18, 2011

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 04/18/11 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members LeAnn Lynch, Sue McLeland, Brad Murty, and Gary Sattler. Absent: Deb McAteer. Mayor Gregg Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved as presented. Council member Lynch moved, Murty seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 03/10/11 council meeting; March 2011 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$79,266.88; Liquor License renewal for R.J.s Lounge and Hometown Foods. Ayes: 4.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	41.00	IPERS, benefit	1,661.61
Allen Hospital, physicals	953.00	K & B Underground, labor	730.00
Alliant, utilities	5,494.47	Ken & Vicky Yeomans, CPR	65.00
Bank of America, gas/postage	321.53	Ladehoff Lawn Care, labor	455.00
Bob's Farm Center, fuel	220.76	Library Petty Cash, library	166.51
Book Look, books	141.90	Mid-Iowa Coop, fuel	89.47
Card Making, periodical	24.95	Midwest Benefits, benefits	783.96
CIWA, water	9,984.00	Moler Sanitation, services	154.10
Conrad Auto Supply, supplies	26.77	Municipal Supply, supplies	174.95
DATA Tech, training	95.00	Premier Office, services	169.00
Denise Hoy, mileage	225.00	Rosen Publishing, books	97.83
Dorsey & Whitney, bond counsel	2,738.98	Roto-Rooter, sewer project	405.00
Electric Pump, repair	2,461.89	Rourke Publishing, books	15.95
First National, library exp	231.46	Roy Sharp, snow blowing	2,250.00
Follett Software, technology	80.00	Sandry Fire Supply, flow test	1,203.60
Gearhart Company, repairs	3,474.44	Southard Implement, mower	13,304.00
Glo-Brite, window cleaning	75.00	State of Iowa, taxes	4,051.00
Good Housekeeping, periodicals	8.56	Susan Blythe, mileage	15.13
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,822.75	Test America, lab	301.67
GNB, HSA payment	344.00	The Child's World, books	91.70
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	316.81	The Record, publications	116.67
Heart of Iowa Ventures, software	400.00	Time, periodical	35.00
Hygienic Lab, lab	54.00	Verizon, cell phones	101.33
IMFOA, spring meeting/re-cert	90.00	Wellmark BCBS, premiums	1,577.45
Ingram, books & supply	1,243.77	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	2,449.83
IRS, federal W/H	3,465.48	Wages, 3/11/11 to 04/18/11	11,295.60
Iowa Dept. of Health, pool reg.	70.00		
Iowa Library Assoc., conference	100.00	Totals Claims	\$79,266.88

March 2011 expenses per fund: General \$40,279.03; Road Use Tax \$9,103.09; Employee Benefit \$2,098.93; LOST \$5,099.65; 2008 Housing Rehab \$77.00; Water \$18,123.09; Sewer \$18,019.53; 2010 CDBG Sewer Project \$87,058.90. Total \$179,859.22. March 2011 receipts per fund: General \$10,468.52; RUT \$10,136.97; Employee Benefits \$633.95; LOST \$5,999.59; TIF \$1,376.83; Debt Service \$2,619.65; 08 Housing Rehab \$183.10; Water \$28,594.43; Sewer \$34,063.48; Sewer Sinking \$7,609.36; CDBG Sewer project \$144,000; Storm Water Utility \$4320; Total \$250,005.88.

Kerry Carson, Conrad Chamber-Main Street Design Committee Chair, presented council with plans for the Dorothy King Park. The park includes a water feature, lights, and a gazebo. Estimated costs for the project are less than \$50,000, and are being funded through donations.

Gary Sindelar, Ryken Engineering, presented council with two pay request for the CDBG Sewer Lining Project. With the exception of a few manholes needing to be lined, the project is essentially complete. Council member McLeland moved to approve pay request No. 5 to Con-Struct in the amount of \$10,402.50, and request No. 2 to Visu-Sewer in the amount of \$271,555.22, Murty seconded. Ayes: 4.

Council held discussion concerning an inquiry by the Conrad Park Board regarding weapons at the city park and pool. After consideration and an official opinion from the City Attorney, council concluded that State Code Section 724.4A defines public parks as a “weapon free zone” and that no further action needs to be taken.

Council member Stattler moved and Lynch seconded to enter into an electric line easement that runs along the Comet Trail with ITC Midwest LLC. Ayes: 4.

Council briefly discussed the status of a proposed Community Center and reiterated that the idea is still in the planning stages and they would not expect to take any action regarding the building of a Center for at least a year.

With no further business evident, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

H. Gregg Sharp, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator