

May 12, 2016

The Conrad Gty Council met in regular session on 05/12/16 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Peg Brown, Ryan Callaway, Diane Miller, Brad Murty (arrived at 7:01) and Todd Schnathorst. Also in attendance: Denise Hoy - Gty Administrator/Clerk, Lee Gallentine - Ryken Engineering, Heidi Kaisand - Hen & Chicks Studio, Ann Roger - Black Dirt Days Rep, Carl Atenhein - Freedom Rock Rep, Shawn & Randy Meyers - Methodist Church Rep, and a member of the press. Mayor Jeff Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Hodge of Allegiance. The agenda was approved as presented.

Council member Schnathorst moved, second by Brown, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 04/14/16 & 04/19/16 council meetings; April 2016 clerk's financial reports; Payment of claims totaling \$239,302.58; Cigarette permit renewal for Casey's General Store, Acknowledge building permits from Brycon, Barry Hoy, Matt Gorder. Ayes: 4.

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

Advantage Admin, benefits	615.00	Iowa One Call, locates	28.80
Alliant, utilities	5,659.68	IPERS, benefit	2,665.88
Arnold Motor Supply, parts	56.78	Ladehoff Landscape, services	3,880.00
Bank of America, fuel	223.59	Library Petty Cash	83.73
Bankers Leasing copier lease	115.00	Lisa Purvis, bldg permits	45.00
Beaman Library, SLP	142.34	Menard's, building material	274.21
CI D supplies	233.50	Md-America, publishing	242.47
CIWA water	8,716.75	Midwest Alarm service	350.00
Conrad Auto, misc.	493.00	Midwest One Bank, loan	12,165.36
Conrad Hardware, supply	102.59	Mike Walton, window clean	75.00
Conrad Tire & Auto, tires	618.00	Moler Sanitation, services	204.50
Crop Production, fuel	260.71	Monkeytown, supply	230.88
Demco, library	280.68	Premier Office, contract	75.05
Denise Hoy, mileage	95.62	Racom repairs	350.00
Ferneau Truck Service, repair	198.31	Radio Communications, repair	800.00
First National Bank, library supply	338.39	State of Iowa, tax	4.00
GNB, loan payment	72,744.07	Susan Blythe, mileage	15.58
Grundy Engineer, salt & sand	315.75	Test America, lab	306.60
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	5,783.17	ISU fire training	50.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	342.46	US Postmaster, postage	136.68
Homeown Foods, supply	7.78	Verizon, cell phone	117.24
Ingram books & supply	954.18	Wolf Greek Childcare, LOST	4,813.90
Injectsom haul sludge	1,715.00	Payroll, 02/12/16 to 03/10/16	12,878.09
IRS, taxes	4,899.01		
Iowa Finance Authority, loan	94,598.25	Totals Claims	\$239,302.58

April 2016 expenses per fund: General \$22,715; Road Use Tax \$6,204; Employee Benefit \$2,318; LOSST \$4,814; Fire Station \$39,400; Water \$15,990; Sewer \$6,901. Total \$98,342.

April 2016 receipts per fund: General \$128,905; RUT \$8,148; Employee Benefits \$19,886; Local Option \$5,663; TIF \$56,951; Debt Service \$13,292; Water \$1,625; Sewer \$1,332; Storm Water Utility \$173. Total \$235,975.

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing on the FY2016 Budget Amendment. Hearing no oral or written comments the hearing was closed. Council member Brown then moved to adopt resolution 2016.5-7 approving the FY2016 Budget Amendment #1, second by Murty. Ayes: Brown, Murty, Schnathorst, Callaway, Miller.

Ann Rogers informed council on the upcoming Black Dirt Days event. She explained that they would be enlarging the beer garden area for those with wrist bands after the hours of 9 P M to midnight to encompass the stage area. The area will be fenced and two police officers have been hired to work the event during that time. She also asked permission to use the Smith Addition for staging the fireworks. Clerk Hoy will check with Brycon to see if their equipment could be moved to accommodate this.

Council member Murty moved, second by Callaway, to approve a temporary outdoor liquor license for RJ's Lounge for June 10 & 11, pending all paper work is complete and filed. Ayes: 5.

Heidi Kaisand presented council with information regarding the Creative Harvest Festival that Hen & Chicks are planning for September 21-24, 2016. The event will be full of creative activities involving the downtown community and bring several guests to town. Council member Brown moved, second by Callaway, to allow them to paint cross walks on the four corners of Main and Center Street for the event. Ayes: 5.

Carol Atenhein updated council on the Freedom Rock project. The artist Ray "Bubba" Sorensen is planning on painting the rock June 1-10. Carol explained that they will need water and electric hook-ups. City maintenance personnel will be asked to help with those items.

Randy Meyer, trustee for the United Methodist Church in Conrad, discussed the idea of asphaltting the city owned parking lot that the church uses. The lot is located east of the church and is used for church parking and those using the city diamonds and playground area. Meyers explained that he has applied for a grant from the Alexander Trust but would like the city to cost share in the expense. Council discussed the fact that an official lease agreement has never been found and that they probably need to start with that. City attorney Gear will be contacted to help work out the details for the agreement. Once an official lease has been entered into, the hard surfacing will be discussed again.

Council member Callaway moved, second by Murty, to give the Fire Station Building Committee authority to spend up to \$5,000 for unexpected changes to the fire station without first receiving council approval. The committee consists of Mayor Martin, Council members Callaway & Schnathorst, City Administrator/Clerk Denise Hoy, Assistant Fire Chief Tom Schultz, BCERT Captain John McNair, and fire/BCERT member Chris Harris. Ayes: 5.

Council member Schnathorst moved, second by Murty, to enter into an agreement for services as legal counsel with bonding attorney John Danos for the issuance of the Urban Renewal Bonds not to exceed \$1,200,000, fees not to exceed \$10,000. Ayes: 5.

Council member Murty moved, second by Brown, to adopt resolution #2016.5-8 setting a public hearing for June 9, 2016 at 7:00 P M for the purpose of taking action for the issuance of Urban Renewal Tax Increment Revenue Bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$1,200,000. Ayes: Miller, Callaway, Schnathorst, Murty, Brown.

Council member Brown moved, second by Callaway, to enter into contract with the Grundy County Sheriff for law enforcement services for FY2017, in the amount of \$71,480 per year. Ayes: 5.

Council member Murty moved, second by Miller, to cost share repairs on Center Street with Grundy County in the amount of \$2,500. The county is responsible for the center 22' with the city is responsible for the balance of the area. Ayes: 5.

Council member Murty moved, second by Miller, to hire Alan Paxson for the temporary full-time summer position at an hourly rate of \$15.72. Ayes: 5.

With no further business evident, meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM