

July 12, 2012

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 07/12/12 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Peg Brown, Ryan Callaway, Brad Murty, Todd Schnathorst and Gary Stattler. 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 Murty, second by Schnathorst, moved to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 06/14/12 & 06/20/12 council meetings; June 2012 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$99,665.63; Acknowledged building permits. Ayes: 5.

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

All You, periodical	34.00	John Dinsmore, reimbursement	24.88
Alliant, utilities	6,961.81	Kids Discover, periodical	19.95
American Girl, periodical	22.95	Kiplinger's, periodical	23.95
American Legion, flag	25.00	Ladehoff Lawn care, bell project	865.50
Patchwork & Quilting, periodical	24.97	Lee Mowing, mowing	2,000.00
Bank of America, fuel/misc.	1,032.21	Library Journal, periodical	101.99
Bergman Lawn care, spraying	35.00	Library Petty Cash	192.39
Better Homes, periodical	12.00	Men's Fitness, periodical	15.00
Big Back Yard, periodical	19.95	Mid-Iowa Coop, fuel	141.82
Black Dirt Days Fund, reimburse	250.00	Mid-States Supply, supply	163.37
Bob's Farm Center, fuel	287.73	Midwest Benefits, benefits	1,506.11
C & C, concrete work	175.00	Moler Sanitation, services	386.40
Car & Driver, periodical	14.97	Monkeytown, supplies	207.87
Card Maker, periodical	19.97	Municipal Supply, parts	1,964.00
CIWA, water	10,506.00	Myers-Cox, concession candy	1,492.64
Conrad Auto, supply	202.05	Overdrive, audio visual	399.72
Conrad Cemetery, allocation	3,000.00	Operation Threshold, allocation	500.00
Chamber-Main Street, electrical	2,352.76	Premier Office, technology	182.05
Conrad Tire, repair	324.00	Phycology Today, periodical	15.97
Consumer Reports, periodical	26.00	Real Simple, periodical	21.56
Cuisine at Home, periodical	27.00	Red Cross, fee	300.00
Denise Hoy, mileage	117.15	Rene Danner, refund	1.42
Family Fun, periodical	20.09	Library Journal, periodical	88.99
Handyman, periodical	24.98	Scrapbooking, periodical	19.97
Farm & Ranch, periodical	19.98	Shane Tiernan, administration	60.00
First National Bank, library	329.55	Simmering-Cory, rehab	7,650.00
Gale Cengage Learning, books	268.28	Simple & Delicious, periodical	20.00
Glo-Brite, services	75.00	Sports Illustrated, periodical	35.96
Good Housekeeping, periodical	14.95	State of Iowa, June tax	2,316.12
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	5,191.17	Test America, lab	257.04
GNB, HSA	430.00	The Record, publications	307.05
Hawkins, chemical	1,277.95	Times- Republican, periodical	169.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	389.53	Titan, repairs	828.46
Hometown Foods, pool	204.98	Todd Schnathorst, reimbursement	266.74
Ingram, books	398.28	Postmaster, postage	149.12
IRS, Fed/FICA tax	6,424.13	Verizon, cell phone	65.50
Iowa Builders, supply	65.00	Wellmark BCBS, premiums	1,765.25
IDNR, water permit	129.79	Whole Living, periodical	14.95
History Journal, periodical	18.95	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	6,179.98
League of Cities, dues	632.00	Wages, 06/15/12 to 07/12/12	25,610.48
IPERS, benefits	1,949.30	Totals Claims	\$99,665.63

07/12/12, Council Proceedings Continued

June 2012 expenses per fund: General \$444,901.08; Road Use Tax \$6,939.99; Employee Benefit \$24,508.88; LOST \$15,128.61; 2008 Housing Rehab \$58,271.00; Water \$17,667.06; Sewer \$26,252.67. Total \$593,669.29.

June 2012 receipts per fund: General \$36,778.49; RUT \$4,939.14; Employee Benefits \$303.18; Local Option \$7,270.57; TIF \$311.76; Debt Service \$3,589.09; 2008 Housing Rehab \$89.59; Water \$1,016.49; Sewer \$13,075.18; Sewer Sinking \$8,334.13; 2010 CDBG Sewer \$9,786.63; Storm Water Utility \$56.00. Total \$85,550.25.

Denise Yantis approached council with concerns about the Conrad Code of Ordinances, Chapter 55 "Animal Protection and Control". The current ordinance states that Animals – meaning a nonhuman vertebrate- shall not be allowed to run at large. Yantis feels that this ordinance fits dogs but that a "healthy population" of feral cats should be allowed in the city and is asking council to consider changing the current ordinance. Council will take her request under advisement and place it on a future council agenda.

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing on the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan at 7:18 pm. After reviewing the plan there were no oral or written comments. The hearing was closed at 7:21 pm upon which time, council member Murty moved to approve resolution #2012.7-8 "Adopting the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Grundy County." Ayes: Brown, Murty, Schnathorst, Callaway, Stattler.

Council member Stattler moved, second by Brown, to enter into a sub-recipient agreement with Conrad Chamber-Main Street for the Federally Funded CDBG Façade Improvement Project. Ayes: Brown, Murty, Callaway, Schnathorst, Stattler.

Council member Stattler moved, Callaway seconded, to adopt resolution #2012.7-9 "A Resolution of Support and Financial Commitment for the Main Street Program in Conrad, Iowa" and authorized the Mayor to sign the Main Street Program Agreement. Ayes: Brown, Murty, Schnathorst, Callaway, Stattler.

Bruce Marble introduced Jody Stonebraker and company owner Dennis, from Denco Corporation. Jody presented a map of concrete and paved streets and proposed a crack sealing plan. He quoted a price of \$0.92 per lineal foot if only sections of the streets were done, and \$0.87 per lineal foot if the council elect to do all of the streets. There are approximately 126,000 Ln Ft of crack sealing. Council also discussed the condition of Lillian Avenue. No decision was made and the street committee will take under advisement and make a recommendation at a later meeting.

Council member Callaway moved, second by Murty, to purchase new handheld meter reader from Municipal Supply at the cost of \$4700. Ayes: 5.

Council member Brown moved, Murty seconded, to make the following amendments to the Employee Policy Handbook. Ayes: 5.

1. Defined hours for full-time maintenance
2. Insurance allowance for FY2013
3. Holiday work hours for full-time
4. Personnel time update
5. Clothing allowance

Council discussed the Capital Improvement Plan. An action plan was presented and accepted. The next step is to create an implementation plan. Council acknowledged that the plan is still a working document and will continue to need updated from time to time.

With no further business evident the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Jeff Martin, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator