

August 13, 2009

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 08/13/09 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members, LeAnn Lynch, Deb McAteer, and Gary Stattler. Absent: Bill Gearhart and Sue McLeland. 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. Stattler moved, McAteer seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 07/13/09 council meeting; July 2009 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$105,402.01; Transfer resolution #13-2009.8; Resolution adopting Flex Plan amendment #14-2009.8; Approved a street closing request from Kara Schnathorst; Acknowledge building permits from Art Simpson and Bob Yates. Ayes: 3.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	81.00	Iowa Library Assoc., conference	195.00
Alliant, utilities	8,861.06	Iowa Wholesale, parts	262.90
Alltel, cell phones	75.10	IPERS, W/H	1,925.90
Animal Rescue League, services	195.00	Jenn Harrington, battery	73.99
B & G HVAC, pool heater	9,873.33	Koch LP, gas	123.49
Bank of America, gas/ misc.	187.67	Ladehoff Lawn Care, lawn care	495.00
Black Sheep Press, books	76.90	Ledford Tree, trimming	2,525.00
Bob's Farm Center, diesel	459.71	Petty Cash, library	193.60
Capstone Press, books	316.24	Matt Parrott, forms	523.99
Concrete Inc, concrete	200.76	MES, fire expense	999.03
Conrad Auto, supplies	411.99	Mid-Iowa Coop, diesel	132.35
Demco, library supply	679.44	Midwest Group Benefits, fee	45.00
Egleston Electric, repairs	1,500.00	Moler Sanitation, services	115.00
Electric Supply, supplies	97.23	Monkeytown, supply	144.08
First National, library exp	343.52	Myers-Cox, concession	718.12
Glo-Brite, window clean	75.00	Newsweek, periodical	35.00
Grundy Co. Recorder, fees	27.00	Premier Office, contract	154.00
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4,728.25	The Record, publication	192.24
Hanzelka Truck, repairs	954.56	Leah Runge, mowing	175.00
Hawkins, chemical	1,126.64	Simmering-Cory, housing rehab	12,060.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	375.68	State of Iowa, W/H	957.00
Hometown Foods, pool exp	82.42	State of Iowa, sales tax	1,287.17
Denise Hoy, mileage	274.44	Test America, lab	310.59
Ingram, books	725.77	Shane Tiernan, bldg permits	15.00
INRCOG, dues	1,964.20	US Postmaster, rent	32.00
IRS, federal W/H	8,092.61	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	4,987.22
Iowa Builders, supply	31.35	Wages, 07/14/09 to 08/13/09	34,697.47
Iowa DNR, permit	210.00	Totals Claims	\$105,402.01

Expenses per fund: General \$56,281.79; Road Use Tax \$10,483.63; Employee Benefits \$3,939.44; LOST \$4,987.22; 08 Housing Project \$12,087.00; Water \$8,029.09; Sewer \$9,593.84. July 2009 receipts per fund: General \$104,935.90; RUT \$11,749.87; Employee Benefits \$404.73; LOST \$5,867.32; TIF \$1,201.79; Debt Service \$428.28; Water \$12,827.15; Sewer \$33,733.35; Storm Water Utility \$4,424.17. Total \$175,572.56.

Council discussed and agreed to the following action steps, recommended by Engineer Gary Sindelar, to address concerns of storm water run off on Duesenberg Drive.

- Replace solid manhole cover on storm sewer located on the north side of Duesenberg Drive with a beehive type grate to allow relief in overflow situations.
- Have Ryken Engineering shoot elevations on the south side of dike to ensure that the grading is sufficient.
- Replace the intake cover and/or add an intake on the south side of dike to allow for additional in-flow to the storm sewer during heavy rains, as recommended by Ryken Engineering.
- Encourage proper seeding with ditch checks being installed in waterway at property owner's expense.
- City install approximately 100 feet of silt fencing around perimeter of the retention area.

After the above steps are taken and monitored for effectiveness, if necessary, council agreed to install a concrete spillway on the dike to help divert the water over the road rather than through yards.

Clerk Hoy informed council that donations from the Conrad Senior Citizens Board had been received as follows:

- \$5,000 to the Park Board for the observation deck project
- \$10,170 to the Fire Department that will be put towards the grass rig unit
- \$10,146 to B-CERT reserves

Although no formal report on the grass rig was given, it was noted that the Fire Department currently has \$64,464 in reserve funds that can be used towards the unit.

The Park Board submitted a written update on the observation deck project. The cost of the project is estimated at \$15,000 and construction will begin in mid September and be complete the end of October. To-date they have raised \$9,400 in donation and grants for the project.

Stattler moved and Lynch seconded to approve spending up to \$11,200, plus cost of a bike rack, on concreting a 6 foot path in the alleyway off of Boyd Street between the properties of 108 Boyd and 601 N. Main. The path will lead to the shelter house and continue from the shelter house to the bath house. This is a result of the Navigating Conrad Sidewalk Committee recommendation and will provide a safer route for bikes and walkers going to and from Reunion Park and the Family Aquatic Center. Clerk Hoy will work with the Park Board and contractor to establish final lay out plans.

Lynch moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 255 amending chapter 60.08 entitled STREET MEETINGS AND PARADES PERMITS. The amendment allows the Mayor, or City Administrator to approve street closing requests rather than having to be approved by council. McAteer seconded and roll was as follows. Ayes: McAteer, Lynch, Stattler. Nays: none.

Stattler then moved to waive the second and third reading of ordinance 255, McAteer seconded. Ayes: McAteer, Lynch, Stattler.

Upon waiving the second and third readings, Lynch moved to adopt ordinance 255 amending chapter 60.08 of the Conrad code of Ordinances. Stattler seconded and roll was as follows. Ayes: McAteer, Lynch, Stattler. The ordinance shall be effective upon publication as required by law.

Stattler moved to approve the third reading of Ordinance 254 entitled "Adult-Oriented Establishment Regulations". McAteer seconded and roll was called. Ayes: Stattler, Lynch, McAteer.

Lynch then moved to adopt Ordinance 254 entitled "Adult-Oriented Establishment Regulations". McAteer seconded and roll was as follows. Ayes: Lynch, McAteer, Stattler. Nays: none. The ordinance shall be effective upon publication as required by law.

With no further business evident, meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.