

October 11, 2007

The Conrad City Council met in regular session on 10/11/07 in Council Chambers. Officials present were, Council Members Bill Gearhart, LeAnn Lynch, Lowell Schleisman, and Gary Stattler. Absent: Shauna Callaway. 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, Schleisman seconded, to approve the following consent items: Minutes from the 09/13/07 council meeting; September 2007 clerk's financial report; Payment of claims totaling \$228,146.62; Authorized the use of City Hall for the annual tree festival; Approved a liquor license for the American Legion Post 681; Acknowledged a building permit from Roger Moler. Ayes: 4.

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

A-Kleen Towel, service	38.75	Iowa One Call, locates	13.50
Advanced Water Tech, chemicals	312.80	Dave Juchems, Sept. mileage	15.52
Alert-All, fire promo material	257.00	Ladehoff Lawn Care, landscaping	1175.00
Alliant, utilities	5179.05	Library Petty Cash, misc.	92.74
Alltel, cell phones	165.69	Marshall Co. Extension, classes	100.00
Beeghly Seed, grass seed	72.00	Menards, supply	8.56
Benjamin Trophy, shirts	126.50	Michael Todd, sign	50.21
Better Homes & Gardens, periodical	20.00	Moler Sanitation, services	90.00
Susan Blythe, mileage	15.13	Brad Murty, sealer for parks	157.74
Bob's Farm Center, diesel/lawn care	1338.46	NADA, periodical	70.00
Book Look, books	135.86	Nevada Monument, giving wall	873.00
David Butler, material	51.47	NCLS, key chains	25.00
Casey's, gas	114.36	Platinum Plus, training/supply	299.12
Central IA Farm Store, equipment	2981.00	Popular Woodworking, periodical	22.96
Cessford Construction, cold patch	256.50	Premier, library contract/supply	337.00
Conrad Auto Supply, supplies	72.65	Public Safety Center, BCERT supply	124.69
Darla Ubben, reimburse	40.00	The Record, publications	109.88
Nick Eckerman, mow	140.00	Ryken Engineering, bike trail	3055.00
First National Bank, library items	563.24	Scholastic Library, books	144.30
Follet Software, library support	660.00	Soap Opera Digest, periodical	39.97
Garling Const., library project	171,539.60	State Treasurer, sales tax	1241.80
Gehrke Quarries, rock	285.32	Gary Stattler, reimburse	428.66
Grundy Co. Sheriff, contract	4436.08	Struxture Architects, fees	2300.95
Hanzelka Truck Services, repairs	43.75	Taste of Home, periodical	18.00
Heart of Iowa, phone/internet	293.50	Terracon, soil test	346.00
Home Cooking, periodical	12.00	Test America, lab	243.39
Hometown Foods, supply	27.18	Wolf Creek Childcare, LOST	4693.92
Denise Hoy, reimbursement	475.32	Betty Wood, reimburse	60.34
Hygienic Lab, lab	855.00	Woosley Construction, labor	76.00
Ingram, books & supplies	1532.80	Jennifer Yantis, clean	6.67
Innovative Communication, server	2937.15	Wages, 09-14-07 to 10-11-07	15,961.27
Iowa Builders, material	24.60	Totals Claims	\$227183.95

Expenses per fund: General \$26,973.18; Road Use Tax \$7366.51; Employee Benefit \$1582.81; LOST \$4693.92; Library Bldg Project \$175,059.55; Water \$5956.77; Sewer \$5551.21. September 2007 receipts per fund: General \$14,016.85; RUT \$7618.04; Employee Benefits \$1455.87; LOST \$5522.26; TIF \$3573.71; Debt Service \$2955.09; Wolf Creek Drive \$2455.00; Library Building Project \$52,033.72; Water \$12,113.33; Sewer \$32,309.84. Total \$134,043.76.

Stattler moved and Lynch seconded to establish a "Tree Board" as recommended by the Conrad Main Street Inc. Board, and to allocate \$2200 [to establish and operate the Tree Board for one year for the management of the annual tree budget.](#) Ayes: 4.

Under Library discussion the following took place:

- Council member Lynch moved and Schleisman seconded to award the following contracts for Furniture, Furnishings & Signage in the new library building: ASI \$11,364.50; Jones Library Sales \$55,376.00; Dimensions \$36,133.27; Kirk Gross \$2890.75; Phelans \$32,858.33. Ayes: 4.
- Council member Stattler moved and Lynch seconded to adopt resolution #122-2007.10 setting the public hearing date for November 8, 2007 at 7:00 PM to take action for the issuance of Urban Renewal Tax Increment Revenue Bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. Ayes: Stattler, Lynch, Gearhart, Schleisman. Nays: none.
- During Discussion related to ~~revolved around~~ the fire alarm system, the consensus decision was to get further information from ~~at the new library building.~~ Mayor Sharp indicated he would like to wait to get a firm price from the Architect ~~on the system that is being installed regarding the cost of the specified system and building code requirements.~~ before any decisions are made.

Council member Lynch reported that Bruce and Nick have begun scraping material off the section of the Comet Trail that is being redone. Grade stakes are scheduled to be set on Monday, October 15, 2007.

Council member Stattler moved and Gearhart seconded to approve a curb cut application from Packaging Corporation of America (PCA). PCA will be adding a 40' apron to the south of the existing apron on the east side of Wolf Creek Drive. Ayes: 4.

Council member Stattler moved and Schleisman seconded to set a public hearing for 11/08/07 at 7:00 PM for the purpose of considering the submission of a Housing Fund Application, and to set the city's financial match for the application at \$40,000. Ayes: 4.

Council member Schleisman moved and Lynch seconded to grant permission to Deborah Sharp to operate a home occupation consisting of a part-time solon from her home on Hackberry Lane. Ayes: 4.

Council member Lynch moved and Stattler seconded to authorize Mayor Gregg Sharp to enter into an agreement with RUAN Securities for financial service related to the new Conrad Public Library Tax Increment Revenue Bonds. Ayes: 4.

Mayor Sharp updated council on the progress made at the emergency planning meeting held 10/08/07. Several people attended the meeting representing the Fire Department, B-CERT, Oakview Nursing Home, BCLUW School, American Legion, and American Legion Auxiliary. A task force of consisting of 7 key people ~~will be formed~~ to develop an emergency plan for Conrad.

With no further business evident, council adjourned at 8:14 PM.