

The Cresco City Council met September 19, 2011, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Blake, Bouska, Moore and Loveless were present. Council member McCarville was absent.

It was moved by Moore to approve the consent agenda which included approval of: the agenda; claims; minutes of the September 7, 2011 City Council meeting. It was seconded by Bouska and passed all ayes. The excavator license for Mark Burke d/b/a Stoneage Enterprises was removed due to application not received.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) Skyline was working on 1st Avenue issues; (b) Magney Construction continues working on the WWTP project and the tank is up; (c) Street Dept. will finish chip sealing this week and has been working on trees; (d) Water Dept. has been working on leaky valves and valves will be an issue for the next budget; (e) Hydrant flushing will be done the first week in October.

Police Officer Shannon Cox had nothing to report.

Librarian Carmen Buss reported on a new counter that will be installed for the public computers so all computers will be upstairs and monitored from the check-out desk.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) August financial statements are on budget and presented a fund balance analysis; (b) Auditors should be finishing the audit soon; (c) election papers are due September 22nd and no papers have been filed for Ward One yet. Irene will accept and file the papers since the City Clerk will be at a conference; (d) working with financial advisors on feasibility of refinancing loans.

Mayor Bohle opened a public hearing for budget amendment #1 for fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. There were no oral or written comments and the public hearing was closed. Bouska made the motion to approve a resolution amending the budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. Blake seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Ken Becker discussed the fundraising project for the 3-D Digital projector that will be required to be replaced. The projector cost is about \$80,000 and they have received pledges over \$60,000. The Theatre Commission is wondering if the City will be paying for a portion of the projector especially since it will be owned by the City. The Mayor and Council were impressed by the results so far. There are many other renovations plus the sidewalk replacement that will also need to be funded. They would like to get the new projector in before Christmas. Ticket prices will probably need to be increased slightly just to be able to get the movies. He will let us know how long it will take to get the projector delivered. The Mayor indicated the City would contribute some funds but would decide how much at a later date. No action was taken.

Loveless made the motion to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with WHKS & Co. relating to the Engineer's report for the West Industrial Park. Blake requested that Bill report to the City if it appears the cost will exceed the \$12,400 estimate. Bouska inquired why boring was not included and Freidhof said they already know there is rock. Moore seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Mayor Bohle conducted the second reading of Ordinance 435 amending Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cresco, Iowa, 1998, by amending and adding provisions to the Park Board. Moore made the motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 435. Loveless seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Mayor Bohle opened bids for replacement of three City Hall furnaces and water heater: Cresco Heating & Ventilating \$10,408.75; Gosch's Inc. \$9,110 plus rebate of \$975; NE Iowa Appliance \$6,860 with rebate. Due to a difference of BTU's of the furnaces, the decision will be tabled until the special meeting on Friday September 23rd at 3:00.

Mayor Bohle opened bids for the sale of the Oil Distributor Truck: Dean D. Reicks \$726; Mike Freidhof \$705; Tim Walton \$885.50; Doug Bruening \$752. Loveless made the

motion to accept the high bid from Tim Walton for \$885.50. Blake seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

The Public Works Committee recommended paying for 50% of the watermain installation expense across the Tom Tuchek property. Chuck Malek installed the watermain along Yankee to the end of his proprietor's plat at his expense according to his previous agreement. In other circumstances, new installation of watermains could be assessed half to each side of the road however we can't assess the County residents in this situation. Malek and Tuchek had agreed to help the City by completing the loop at this time. The Committee is also recommending having an informational meeting with County residents to discuss proposed connection fees. Attorney Braun will be drafting an Ordinance establishing connection fees to address issues between City and County residents. Connection fees will go into the capital improvement fund to help pay infrastructure maintenance to help reduce amounts needed to borrow from bonds in the future. Blake made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Public Works Committee and pay Kitchen Construction \$4,558.75 for the installation of the watermain. Moore seconded the motion and Moore, Blake and Loveless voted aye. Bouska abstained from the vote. The motion passed by majority vote.

Freidhof requested guidance from the Council on the Alliance Store Building so he can file the grant application which is due November 1st. It was agreed that the building will probably need to come down. It was discussed that if the Fire Hall were to be expanded to the East that the removal of the building could provide parking so the expansion could be done. We will allow Jason Passmore to tour the building but we will proceed with the possible demolition.

Loveless inquired about the old Jack & Jill building so that perhaps the building could be salvaged before there is too much water damage like what happened to the Alliance Building. Consensus was to refer the building to Attorney Braun to pursue.

Girolamo inquired whether Council wanted to extend the Cresco Revitalization Plan which is set to expire on January 1, 2012. She was directed to determine the procedures to extend the program with the same terms. All agreed that the program needs to be promoted better next time to encourage improvements and construction.

Bohle asked if there were any comments from the audience. Teresa McGee asked what happened if nobody turned in papers for the First Ward Council position. The Mayor replied that it would be a write-in vote but hoped someone would file papers prior to the deadline so there was a candidate. Reminder that nomination papers must be turned in to City Hall by 5:00 September 22nd and need at least 25 signatures. The Council Ward 1, Council Ward 3, Council-at-large and Mayor positions are all up for election on November 8, 2011.

It was moved by Bouska to adjourn at 7:52 pm. The motion was seconded by Moore and passed all ayes. There will be a special Cresco City Council meeting September 23, 2011, at 3:00 pm at Cresco City Hall. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be October 3, 2011, at 7:00 pm at Cresco City Hall.

Mayor Mark Bohle

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo

Following is a list of claims approved for payment:

Advanced Systems	tech expense	263.43
Ahlers & Cooney	legal fees	524.55
Alliant Energy	electricity	35.86
Baker & Taylor	books	1,388.17
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	health ins	23,282.83
Brown Supply	supplies	1,758.38
Bruening Rock	chip sealing	2,620.30
Cardmember Services	dvds, audio, periodicals	68.13
Carter, Jon	refund deposit	68.09
City of Cresco	utilities	43.92
City of Cresco	deposit refunds	226.36
City of Cresco	\$afe-t-fund	2,582.69
Cresco Fine Arts Council	tourism grant	500.00
Demco	supplies	67.63
Des Moines Register	subscription	156.54
Dull, Brad & Jodi	refund	110.49
Elwood Law Offices	attorney fees	2,093.83
Fairchild Communications	quarterly fees	135.00
Fareway	supplies	15.56
Farm Plan aka Fisks	supply, equipment	387.51
Grube Construction	repair	209.00
Hanson Tire	service, tires	1,043.79
Hawkeye REC	electricity	6,098.79
Hawkeye Sanitation	grit pickup	98.61
Highsmith	supplies	244.05
Hogan Hansen	audit	6,000.00
Howard County	shared lec costs	11,606.52
IA One Call	one calls	57.60
IA Prison Industries	signs	107.47
Ikon	copier	59.13
Johnson, Derek	refund deposit	55.87
Kasemeier, Kassie	refund deposit	17.66
Mark's Electronics	repair	60.00
McMaster-Carr	supply	52.22
MVTL	wastewater analysis	133.90
NADA Guide	periodical	98.00
O'Henry's	staff	108.54
payroll		57,774.39
Petty Cash	supplies, postage	16.62
Pool Tech	spa, pool	129.22
Post Office	postage	75.00
Rec Supply	pool supply	40.19
Riley's	tech expense, supplies	278.30
Ruppert Inc.	supplies	19.90
Scholbrock Masonry	parking lot	25,646.00
Shaffer, Adam	refund deposit	32.02
Signs & Designs	decals	56.00
Sirchie	supply	106.22
Sportsmith	parts	146.90
The Library Store	supplies	55.36
Theatre Projector & Restoration	tourism grant	641.64

U.S. Cellular	phones	370.55
Weber Paper Co.	supplies	257.19
Wilson Upholstery	repair	220.00
Windstream	phone	310.03

General Fund	50,677.14
General Hotel/Motel Tax	1,141.64
Road Use Tax	7,768.32
Employee Benefits	26,826.12
Local Option Tax	28,168.85
Cresco Telecom	303.43
Water Utility Fund	13,577.20
Water Deposits Trust Fund	400.00
MSSU Operations	18,848.14
Capital Improvement	9.85
Yard Waste Fund	594.26

GRAND TOTAL OF FUNDS	148,314.95
Revenue Total of Funds from 9/8/11-9/19/11	303,629.62