

The Cresco City Council met October 3, 2011, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Blake, Bouska, Moore, McCarville and Loveless were present. No Council members were absent.

It was moved by Loveless to approve the consent agenda which included approval of: the agenda; claims; minutes of the September 19th and 23rd, 2011 City Council meetings; Class C beer permit (BC) with Class B native wine permit and Sunday sales to Casey's Marketing Company d/b/a Casey's General Stores #2511; excavator license for Mark or Becky Burke d/b/a Stoneage Enterprises LLC. The motion was seconded by Bouska and passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) Street-getting equipment ready for winter, cleaning up trees from wind, picking up leaves, have salt and sand in the shed, preparing for open house; (b) Water-flushing hydrants, poured concrete for the generator, preparing for winter, flushing valves; (c) Sewer-will be hauling sludge soon, relining sewer lines this fall if possible; (d) Theatre-Schwickert's submitted an estimate of \$1365 for minor repairs to the roof, still trying to contact Fred Jackson Company for tuck pointing; (e) will send a copy of an ATV/Golf Cart Ordinance for Council to review; (f) should hear this week on the Phase I assessment on the Alliance Building; (g) cell phone survey shows employees would be in favor of reimbursement of cell phones to eliminate the City owned phones to save money; (h) Street shop-roof still has not been finished and attorney is now involved. Bohle reminded everyone of the open house at the Street Shop 10/8/11 from 1:00-3:00 with cookies and punch.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) busy keeping up with minutes and agendas and meetings; (b) working on Annual Financial Report; (c) finishing some final audit issues.

Fire Chief Neal Stapelkamp reported that they have two new firemen Jamie Herold and Matt Andera. Contractors will be programming walkies, radios and pagers as part of the communication project and they are almost ready to go online.

Mayor Bohle conducted the third 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. Loveless made the motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 435. Moore seconded the motion and it passed all ayes. Moore made the motion to approve Ordinance 435. Bouska seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to approve a resolution allowing partial tax exemption under the Cresco Urban Revitalization Area for Julie Drtina and David Hagen. Blake seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

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Bouska made the motion to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a deposit agreement with C US Bank. McCarville seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a Merchant Contract for credit card processing with C US Bank. McCarville seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

McCarville made the motion to approve a resolution authorizing Rod Freidhof and Michelle Girolamo to be the authorized signers on deposit accounts at C US Bank. Blake seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Bouska made the motion to request Alliant Energy to install two street lights. One on the corner of Yankee Avenue and 12th Street and one near the 3rd fire hydrant on the west side of Yankee Avenue. Moore seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to approve a resolution allowing for the transfer of up to \$40,000 from Fund #181 Cresco Telecommunications Fund to Fund #001 General Fund-Theatre. Moore seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to donate \$30,000 to the "Theatre Projector & Restoration Project". The cost of the projector is being raised through community donations and will be owned by the City of Cresco. The fundraiser also includes other Theatre restoration projects including replacement of the sidewalk in front of the Theatre. McCarville seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Consensus of Council was to authorize the Theatre Commission to proceed with the concession stand remodeling and use the Local Option Sales Tax Fund already budgeted for Theatre repairs.

Bohle asked if there were any comments from the audience. Jody Torgerson voiced an interest in trying to renovate the Alliance Building. After touring the building, it became apparent that the northeast corner needs to have supports installed and tar the seams on the roof before a snowfall. Legally the City will need to go through the procedures of advertising the real estate for sale and holding public hearings before it can be offered for sale. Blake and Bouska voiced concerns of the expense of renovation and the chance that the City will need to start this nuisance process all over again in a few years. It was decided that the City may want to retain the back portion to remove it so it could be utilized for parking if there was an expansion of the Fire Hall. The main issue for the City is getting the nuisance corrected as soon as possible which is removal of the back portion. Jody was very passionate about trying to preserve the history of the building. He requested permission to brace the corner and to get on the roof to inspect it as soon as possible. Consensus of Council was to bring the matter to legal counsel and pending the agreement of legal documents, allow Jody access to the building to brace the corner and inspect the roof and seal seams with the understanding that he may not be the ultimate purchaser of the building and that the City may not even sell the building and the City would not reimburse him for any expenses incurred if a sale does not occur.

It was moved by Bouska to adjourn at 7:52 pm. The motion was seconded by Moore and passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be October 17, 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:

Ahlers & Cooney	attorney fees	1035.84
Alliant Energy	electricity	18,679.05
Amwell	repair	1,535.71
Aramark	mat service	284.84
Black Hills Energy	natural gas	1,228.57
Bodensteiner Implement	maintenance	218.94
City Laundering Co.	uniforms	42.22
City of Cresco	deposit refund	80.00
City of Cresco	utilities	1,009.56
CPU	equipment	191.49
Cresco Jaycees	tourism grant	1,200.00
Cresco Shopper	supply	2.20
Culligan	softener rent	27.69
Dakota Supply	meter	185.81
Dalco	supply	164.78
Diamond Vogel	paint	179.00
Fareway	supply	21.33
Foley's Backhoe & Repair	service call	35.00
Frana, Tony	refund garbage	9.61
Galls	uniform	252.92
Gosch Inc.	furnaces	6,700.00
Group Services	admin fee	317.75
H & S Motors	supply, soap	20.00
Hawkeye Sanitation	garbage & recycling	41,953.37
Healthy Contributions	membership fee	8.45
Holstrom Jewelers	swim team	47.00
Hyberger, Ron	reimbursement	160.71
IA Assn of Municipal Utilities	dues	817.32
IA DNR	permit	95.00
IA League of Cities	workshop	30.00
IA Sports Supply	resale	39.99
Ishman, Bryon	refund garbage	8.65
Johnson Acctg	printer	119.00
Kitchen Construction	watermain	4,558.75
Kwik Trip	gas, diesel	4,460.07
Matt Parrott	checks	531.90
McMaster-Carr	supply	145.53
Municipal Pipe Tool Co.	clean, inspect	1,267.87
MVTL	wastewater analysis	162.30
NE IA Regional League	dues	20.00
O'Henry's	supply	24.00
OMB Guns	ammunition	715.99
payroll		60,574.62
Pepsi	concessions	312.70
Perry Novak Electric	smoke detector	684.00
Peterson, Alton	refund garbage	7.43
Petty Cash	reimburse	76.77
Pinter's Gardens	plants	342.80
Pool Tech	pool, spa	153.18
Reutlinger, Helen	refund garbage	7.43
Safety-Kleen Systems Inc.	parts washer	173.91

Sam's Discover	concession, resale, supply	2,637.80
Sandry Fire Supply	supply	25.00
Signs & Designs	sign	115.00
Sindelar Sawmill	sideboards	45.60
Spahn & Rose Lumber	supply	18.92
Sportsmith	parts	174.08
Storey Kenworthy	supply	473.72
Sunlife Ins.	life ins	38.25
Treasurer, State of IA	sales tax	5,232.64
U.S. Postmaster	postage, utility bills	383.24
Verizon	phone	76.21
WHKS & Co.	services	15,338.77
Wilson Custom Tree	stump grinding	289.08
Wilson Upholstery	refund garbage	9.25
Windstream	telephone	892.70

General Fund	96,961.56
General Hotel/Motel Tax	1,200.00
Road Use Tax	11,481.60
Employee Benefits	6,276.01
Local Option Tax	10,474.81
Cresco Telecom	473.87
Street Trust Fund	0.70
Street Project 2007	15,338.77
Water Utility Fund	15,135.88
Water Deposits Trust Fund	80.00
Water Utility Repair/Replace	4,747.31
MSSU Operations	13,067.27
Capital Improvement	165.30
Yard Waste Fund	1,268.23

GRAND TOTAL OF FUNDS	176,671.31
Revenue Total of Funds from 9/20/11-10/3/11	74,078.83