

The Cresco City Council met July 21, 2014, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council Members Bouska, McGee, McCarville and Loveless were present. Council member Carman was absent.

Bouska made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the: agenda; claims; minutes of the July 7, 2014 meeting and July 7, 2014 worksession. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) two broken watermain were fixed last week; (b) a hole in the Theatre parking lot was discovered that looks like a 50 foot deep well was abandoned so we will contact the DNR to see what we can do; (c) Granger Road project encountered rock which has slowed progress and will be additional expense for the rock clause. In about 3 weeks they hope to have two crews working on the project and we are still hoping they will meet the October 31, 2014 deadline; (d) next week the County's project should get started. This will detour traffic away from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. We are negotiating to purchase some of the millings from Bruenings.

Police Chief Tim Ruroden reported that he is accepting applications for a Full-Time Police Officer until July 31<sup>st</sup>.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) Auditors are here this week; (b) starting to work on reports that need to be filed annually; (c) working on the first budget amendment; (d) Lynn Johnson will not be meeting with the Airport Commission this week but should be in Cresco in the next couple of weeks; (e) Mediacom is raising rates by \$2.50 per month for seasonal cable services.

David Gosch, President of the Theatre Commission, updated Council on the theatre. The lease expires August 20, 2014 and then the Theatre Commission will do some maintenance and cleaning and will reopen on September 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>. They will be advertising for a manager to operate the Cresco Theatre and Opera House. A letter to Editor will be published this week.

Bouska made the motion to approve the resolution proclaiming August 5, 2014 National Night Out. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes.

The City received four quotes for sandblasting and painting the clarifiers at the WWTP: Champion Coatings \$58,500; Mongan Painting & Sandblasting \$78,750; Terry & Sons \$88,454, TMI Coatings \$88,640. Loveless made the motion to award the contract to Champion Coatings Inc. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an Industrial Sewer Rental Agreement with Cresco Food Technologies LLC. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bouska made the motion to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Business Associate Agreement with Group Services. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with PJ Greufe & Associates, LLC for human resources consulting services. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

The Iowa Department of Transportation performed a speed study on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE (State Highway 9) following a request and petition from citizens of Cresco. Two speed zones will be moved less than half a block and the third change will move the 55 mph zone to the east side of NAPA. McGee made the motion to approve the recommendation by the Iowa DOT to change speed limits on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE. McCarville seconded and it passed all ayes.

The Cresco Business Committee recommended installing four-way stop signs at the intersection of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and North Elm Street. Consensus was to go ahead and plan to install stop signs at that intersection. Concern was expressed about the off-setting

intersection at North and South Park Place and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The City will look into options to make these intersections safer.

Bouska made the motion to approve the resolution to remove two hour parking limits on North Elm Street. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes.

Flags on North Elm Street were discussed. The City was never notified by the Cresco Business Committee that "Sale" flags would be put up on North Elm Street. The City will be notified in advance of putting up the flags and a calendar will be developed. The City will retain the right to restrict the type of flags flown on their light poles and will also limit the time that they are flown to 3-5 days per event.

An application from the Cresco Business Committee for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter tourism grant to purchase flags was inadvertently omitted. Council discussed the application but decided to include it with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter tourism grant applications and have it go through the Tourism Committee's rating procedures.

Guidelines for replacing sidewalks on North Elm Street were discussed. After a lengthy discussion, consensus was to require colored cement with a design be installed where the existing pink brick-stamped concrete is now for all sidewalks on North Elm Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Business owners will be encouraged to replace the cement within 5 years. The Cresco Business Committee will work with the City Clerk in determining an estimated cost and a letter will be sent to all affected business owners encouraging them to replace it soon since much of the border is in poor condition and to keep the look more uniform downtown. The City will need to replace crosswalks in the next few years and will tie it into the downtown theme. The City also anticipates repairing alleys and parking lots downtown in the near future as well. The formula for the color and design will be maintained at City Hall and the Chamber Office and local contractors will also have copies.

Mayor Bohle welcomed the Boy Scout Troop in attendance.

Mayor asked if there were any comments from the audience. Mike McGuire inquired about marking the no parking spots near the intersection of North Park Place and Elm Street as people are ignoring the yellow painted curb. Options were discussed and it will be looked into.

McGee moved to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be at 7:00 pm on August 4, 2014 at Cresco City Hall.

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Mayor Mark Bohle

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City Clerk Michelle Girolamo

Following is a list of claims approved for payment:

ALLIANT	Elect	687.13
BAKER&TAYLOR	Books	147.66
BECKER, RYAN	Srvc	180.00
BERGAN, MIKE	Ref Grb	3.96
BLACK HILLS	Nat gas	1,625.16
BLACKBURN, JOAN	Reimb A&C	101.50
BC / BS	Insur	24,591.60
BROWN SUPP	Supp	96.00
CAMPSITE RV	LP gas	181.55
CANOE RIDGE KENNELS	Srvc	90.75
CITY LAUNDERING	Srvc	121.02
CITY OF CRESCO	Insur, util	2,858.10
CRESCO SMALL ENG	Supp	211.86
DALCO	Supp	547.45
DEMCO	Supp	270.17
DEPT OF TREAS	Insur fee	34.00
DUNEMAN, RONALD	Ref util	24.01
ELWOOD,O'DONOH...	Atty	2,466.46
FAREWAY	Supp	8.47
FENCL OIL	LP gas	347.66
FOLEY'S CONSTR	Equip	2,797.60
GAMETRUCK MNPLS	Tour grant	1,100.00
GEERTS, LEON	Ref util	104.12
GOSCH'S	Srvc	319.17
GROUP SERVC	Fee	328.00
GRUBE LAWN GARD	Supp	29.40
HAWKEYE REC	Elect	7,501.54
HAWKEYE SAN	Grb /rcyl	45,564.04
HOW CO AGRIC	Tour grant	2,300.00
IA CODIFICATION	Srvc	152.00
IA ONE CALL	Srvc	56.70
KEYSTONE LAB	Analys	350.00
KWIK TRIP	Gas	142.91
M.T.S.	Srvc	900.00
MIDWEST FAM BRDCAST	Advert	975.00
MOORE MEDICAL	Supp	68.69
MUNICIPAL MGT	Srvc	800.00
NESS PUMPING	Srvc	694.00
O'HENRY'S	Supp	971.38
OVERDRIVE	Supp	648.12
PAYROLL		67,009.08
PETTY CASH	Postage	81.83
POSTMASTER	Postage	80.00
RICOH	Copies	33.41
RILEY'S	Supp	161.36
RIVER CITY PAV	Cold mix	450.56
RUFFRIDGE-JOHNSON	Equip	312.48
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	Supp	23.44
SLIFKA, HUNTER	Srvc	200.00
SPORTSMITH	Supp	797.34
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	Analys	143.00
STOREY KEN	Supp	895.42
SVP-CO.COM	Equip	2,903.86
TREAS, ST OF IOWA	Sales Tax	4,816.00
TROUTEN, DARLENE	Ref Grb	3.27

U.S. CELL	Phone	188.85
USA BLUE BOOK	Supp	318.01
VOBR, MICHELLE	Srvc	200.00
WEBER PAPER	Supp	172.91
WEILAND, ANITA	Ref Grb	6.64
WELLS FARGO	Fee	750.00
WINDRIDGE IMPL	Supp	178.88
WINDSTREAM	Phone	121.79
WINNESHIEK COOP	Supp	30.40
	TOTAL CLAIMS	180,275.71
	GENERAL	97,238.82
	HOTEL/MOTEL	3,400.00
	LOST	1,268.37
	NUISANCE HOUSE	478.96
	FIRE STATION	29.40
	MEDIACOM	3,388.88
	DRUG DOG	2,786.40
	CRESCO COMM FIRE	536.74
	ROAD USE TAX	11,613.29
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	18,106.07
	FC TRUST	2,797.60
	DEBT SERVICE	750.00
	WATER	16,036.55
	SEWER	21,661.61
	PROPRIETARY CAP	91.89
	YARDWASTE	91.13
	EXPENDITURES	180,275.71
	Revenues 7/8 to 7/21/14	3,145,248.94