

The Cresco City Council met September 3, 2014, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council Members Carman, Bouska, McGee, McCarville and Loveless were present. No council members were absent.

Carman made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the: agenda; claims; minutes of the August 18, 2014 meeting; class C liquor license (LC) (commercial) with Sunday sales to Teluwut 2 LLC d/b/a Teluwut Grille House & Pub; parade permit for 9/20/14 for the Norman Borlaug Harvest Fest parade; street closing for September 17-21, 2014 for portions of N Elm Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Ave W and Southside Parking Lot for Norman Borlaug Harvest Fest; parade permit on 10/3/14 for portions of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E and N Elm Street for the Homecoming Parade; parade permit on 9/27/14 for the Obstacle Challenge Dash 8K for the Cresco Fitness Center New Equipment Fundraiser; pay request #1 to Skyline Construction, Inc for \$131,667.91 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street West Reconstruction Project. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) Street: have been very busy with cleaning up trees after the storm on Sunday night. Several trees went down and several were damaged. Once we clean up all the boulevard trees that went down, then we'll cover the whole town with the chipper which we anticipate will be Monday 9/8/14. Anyone noticing damaged boulevard trees are encouraged to call City Hall so we can inspect them. American flags were displayed for the Labor Day Holiday so many were damaged that will need to be replaced; (b) Water/Sewer: lightning caused issues with controls for the wells and flooding occurred at the lift stations. There is also an issue with piping at the Industrial Park Lift Station that we are determining the extent of repairs needed. All of the back-up alarm systems did work and the employees were called in to deal with the issues. Water accountability was 98% after water leaks were repaired the prior month.

Daren Sikkink from WHKS reported on the Granger Road Project. The project is progressing slowly. The pay request for tonight is for 6% of the project. They have poured some concrete and are doing the intersections and aprons north of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue this week. They are also working on the south end replacing watermains and cutting in valves. The City has been receiving complaints about the water being shut off and at inconvenient times. Skyline has been reminded that they need to give better notification and be more considerate of the times that the water will be shut off. WHKS is trying to work with Skyline on this. Completion date is October 31, 2014 and at the rate they are going, they will be hard pressed to complete the project on time. They have about two more months to get as much done as possible. An update will be given again at the first October council meeting.

Police Chief Tim Ruroden submitted the monthly report. Last Friday several officers participated in a barricaded subject training orchestrated by the Howard County Sherriff and Iowa State Patrol. Officers were busy over the holiday weekend with STEP.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) we purchased a new server for the Mediacom Channel 3. The slides are finally working but the videos are not so the council meetings will not be aired until it is fixed. They hope this week or next to have it working so we can televise the meetings again; (b) an air conditioner broke down at the Library so we hope to get by until July for the new budget; (c) Library Foundation will be paying for landscaping around the Library; (d) Mediacom sent notice that they will start charging \$2.64 for a Regional Sports Surcharge for subscribers in the Family TV Tier. Mediacom had been paying this fee previously but now are passing it through to the consumer; (e) City Hall staff have been busy with phone calls, yearend reports, updating employee handbook and preparing for Union Negotiations; (f) Blue Cross/Blue Shield notified us that health insurance rates will be increasing 25.54% on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Fire Chief Neal Stapelkamp reported that they have been interviewing candidates for open positions. They have also been busy with calls related to the weekend storms. Five

firemen will be attending some training this month in Cedar Rapids. They also conducted some live training in a local house.

Council Member Steve McCarville reported on the HCED meeting. They will be purchasing some Home Based Iowa signs. They are still working on the housing study for Howard County. They are planning to have a job fair perhaps in Minneapolis to bring in potential workers from farther away. The packing plant in Lime Springs should open in early December with a potential of 70-80 jobs. All the cities in Howard County attend the HCED meetings and update each other on what they are doing in each community.

Theatre Manager Wendy Lickteig reported that installation of carpet and tile started today. The Theatre Commission has been working hard at painting and still looking for volunteers to help paint. They have also been busy cleaning. The new water fountain was installed. Supplies and concessions have been ordered. Training on the projector will be Thursday night. Interviews will be conducted this weekend for part-time help. The movie "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" has been booked for the opening on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Bouska made the motion to approve the resolution establishing a Theatre checking account and authorizing signators. Signers will be Theatre Manager Wendy Lickteig, Public Works Director Rod Freidhof and City Clerk Michelle Girolamo. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes.

Carman made the motion to approve the resolution allowing certain recurring expenditures to be approved prior to Council meetings. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes.

Only one quote was received for replacement of the concrete ramp and railing at the Theatre. Loveless made the motion to accept the quote and award the contract to Scholbrock Masonry LLC for \$2,675. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made the motion to set the public hearing to amend the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 for September 15, 2014. Carman seconded and it passed all ayes.

Discussion was made regarding crack sealing repairs to the runway. Last year we were awarded a grant of \$10,500 of the \$15,000 project. We can request an extension and have until September 30, 2015 to utilize the grant. Consensus was to contact a contractor to see if they would be willing to do it for \$20,000.

Mayor asked if there were any comments from the audience. Drifrunner President Matt Miner invited the City Council to come to their steak fry and annual meeting at Kessel Lodge on Sunday September 7, 2014. The groomer that was purchased several years ago was passed down to Calmar because Dale Vagts won one last year and the Drifrunners chose to keep that one. Maps will be redone this year.

Carman moved to adjourn at 7:33 pm. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be at 7:00 pm on September 15, 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:

ALEXIS FIRE	Rprs	27.52
ALLIANT	Elect	17,251.36
ARBOR DAY FND	Dues	15.00
BLACK HILLS	Nat gas	1,784.56
BODENSTEINER	Supp	304.81
BROWN CO	Supp	97.75
CAMPSITE	LP Gas	425.31
CANOERIDGE KENNELS	Srvc	150.50
CARD CENTER	Rprs	869.48
CITY LAUNDERING	Srvc	192.92
CITY OF CRES Police	Tour grant	1,000.00
CITY OF CRES	Util	1,260.84
CRES FINE ARTS	Tour grant	500.00
CRES SMALL ENG	Rprs	70.85
CRES TPD	Advert	123.55
CULLIGAN	Supp	61.56
DATA TECH	Trng	95.00
DECORAH GLASS	Srvc	143.62
DEPT INSPECT &	Fee	67.50
E CENTRAL INTERGO	Trng	25.00
ELECTRIC PUMP	Srvc	1,876.60
FAREWAY	Supp	21.45
FASTENAL	Rprs	53.85
FELD FIRE	Rprs	1,032.79
FOLEY'S CONST	Srvc	426.00
GALLS	Uniform	582.95
GEOHERMAL ECO	Supp	180.00
GINTHER ALLISON	Dep ref/app	80.00
GOSSMAN LOGAN	Ref recyl	3.07
GUERDET, DEAN	Dep Ref	80.00
HACH	Equip	471.48
HANSON TIRE	Rpr	1,325.12
HAWK ALARM	Fee	288.00
HAWKEYE SAN	Grit	98.61
HOW CO RECORDER	Fee	12.00
IA DEPT OF TRANSP	Patcher oil	581.40
JOHN DEERE FIN	Supp	592.97
KEYSTONE LAB	Analys	1,220.35
KJOME, JOANN	Trng	394.00
KRAHMER, JASON	Dep ref/app	80.00
KWIK TRIP	Gas	4,274.49
LT MECHANICAL	Srvc	1,626.82
MALEK BUILDERS	Ref recy/grbg	18.66
MCMASTER-CARR	Supp	121.86
MERCHANT SRVCS	Fee	107.86
METRO SWIM	Supp	248.70
MUDSLINGERS CONST	Rprs	200.00
MUNKEL, LISA	Dep ref/app	80.00
NAT CHILD SAFETY	Contrib forward	315.00
NE IA MOTORS	Rpr	189.76
O'HENRY'S	Supp	693.70

PAYNE, JUSTIN	Dep app	80.00
PAYROLL		60,776.94
PECINOVSKY, CLAIR	Phone	19.40
PEPSI-COLA	Concessions	120.00
PJGREUFE & ASSOC	Srvc	6,000.00
POSTMASTER	Postage	452.84
PRINCIPAL LIFE	Insur	79.50
PTACEK-VOVES, CYNTHIA	Dep ref/app	80.00
PUBLIC AGENCY	Trng	295.00
R&D INVEST PROP	Ref recy/grbg	15.24
RACOM	Equip	538.50
RICOH	Copies	422.12
SAM'S CLUB	Supp,trng	3,501.81
SANDRY FIRE	Equip	2,181.59
SKYLINE CONST	GrangerRdPayReq#1	131,667.91
SOBOLIK, DICK	Srvc	800.00
SPAHN&ROSE	Supp	264.21
SPIES, TAYLOR	Ref recy/grbg	14.24
SPORTSMITH	Supp	1,218.44
STENBERG, DENNIS	Ref recy/grbg	6.25
STOREY KEN	Supp	25.80
TASC	Fee	227.80
TEL-COMM	Srvc	50.00
TYREE, DONNA	Dep ref/app	80.00
USA BLUE BOOK	Supp	461.22
WHITAKER, JOSEPH	Dep ref/app	80.00
WENTHOLD, GENE	Dep app	40.01
WILSON RESTAU	Equip	1,559.00
WINDSTREAM	Phone	1,032.97
WITT, RICHARD	Ref recy/grbg	7.32
ZEE MEDICAL	Supp	471.58
	GENERAL	66,507.51
	HOTEL/MOTEL	1,500.00
	LOST PROJECT	4,333.68
	FIRE STATION BLDG	205.28
	MEDIACOM	245.06
	DRUG DOG	150.50
	CRESCO COMM FIRE	4,941.44
	ROAD USE	15,089.08
	EMPLOYEE BEN	291.40
	FC TRUST	1,102.74
	STREET ASSESS	131,667.91
	WATER	14,437.61
	WATER DEP	680.01
	SEWER	12,972.36
	CAP IMPROVE	94.87
	YARDWASTE	94.86
	EXPENDITURES	254,314.31
	Revenues 8/19 to 9/03/14	113,594.26