The Cresco City Council met April 1, 2013, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Carman, Bouska, McGee, McCarville and Loveless were present. No Council members were absent.

Loveless made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the: agenda; claims; minutes of the March 18, 2013 meeting; class C beer permit (BC) with class B wine permit (carryout wine) and Sunday sales to JAGDAMBE LLC d/b/a Cresco Mart; excavator license for Skyline Construction Inc.; pay request #3 from Skyline Construction for 2nd Avenue Project for $8,904.57. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) Street Department has been working with storm water issues and filling potholes. They have also been sweeping streets and will work on maintenance of some equipment. Streets will probably be an issue for the next month; (b) Water Department will soon start fixing patches in streets from watermain breaks; (c) Sewer Department will haul sludge as soon as the weather permits. It will be a short time period as farmers will be anxious to get in their fields; (d) Spahn & Rose is working on a spec sheet for the new waterworks building so we can go out for bids soon; (e) sewer lines were televised and found some spots needing repairs so that will be done before July; (f) busy with applications for building and fence permits.

Police Chief Tim Ruroden presented his monthly report and reported that officers have been busy with accidents due to the weather. Officers have also been busy with investigations and arrests. Jarchow will begin training in Anamosa on April 22nd with the drug dog. He presented some information on used vehicles to consider when replacing police cars.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported (a) Citywide Clean-up Days will be the week of June 3rd. Due to numerous problems last time, residents will only be able to put out items accepted by Hawkeye Sanitation. Other items such as appliances, computers and tires will need to be contracted with Bruening Recycling directly and will not be accepted that week; (b) software conversion will occur in June and July; (c) Social Host Ordinance public meeting will be April 4th at NICC at 6:30 pm.

David Sovereign, representative of Cresco Fast Stop, explained the benefits of E85 and biodiesel. He distributed handouts showing the benefits and discussed the value of supporting the local farmers and ethanol plants. The cost of the fuel is also less than other fuels.

Carmen Buss, Cresco Public Library Director, requested to change the use of the budgeted local option sales tax to purchase an air conditioner. Loveless made the motion to allow the budget to be used for an air conditioner. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

The applications received for Travel & Tourism Grants from the Hotel/Motel tax requested $14,775. Hotel/Motel tax received was $4,378. Excess from the first quarter was used to help fund the $7,000 grants recommended. Loveless made the motion to approve the recommendations of the Cresco Tourism Advisory Committee and award the Travel and Tourism Grants as follows: (a) $1,500 Family Fun Nights; (b) $2,500 Mighty Howard County Fair; (c) $1,000 Kellow House Museum Chimney project; (d) $1,000 Jaycees Fireworks; (e) $1,000 Jaycees Motorcross. The Howard County Tourism & Recreation brochure and National Night Out requests were denied but recommended they apply next quarter. Carman seconded and it passed all ayes.

Jason Passmore and Roxie Svoboda representing the Welcome Sign Committee presented pictures of three proposed Welcome to Cresco signs and landscaping. They have $9,300 of funds available but are $3,000 short. Loveless made the motion to use General Fund reserve balances to pay $3,000 for the new signs. Carman seconded and it passed all ayes.

Mayor Bohle performed the third reading of proposed Ordinance #443 which amends Chapter 92 Sections 02 and 03 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cresco, Iowa, 1998, pertaining to water rates. Bouska made the motion to approve the third reading of proposed

Ordinance #443. McCarville seconded and it passed all ayes. McGee made the motion to approve Ordinance #443. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Mayor Bohle performed the third reading of proposed Ordinance #444 which amends Chapter 99 Section 02 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cresco, Iowa, 1998, pertaining to sewer rental. Loveless made the motion to approve the third reading of proposed Ordinance #444. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes. Bouska made the motion to approve Ordinance #444. McCarville seconded and it passed all ayes.

Carman made the motion to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to reappoint George Willis for a term of five years ending 4/30/2018. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes.

Mayor asked if there were any comments from the audience and there were none.

Carman moved to adjourn at 7:43 pm. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be at 7:00 pm on April 15, 2013 at Cresco City Hall.

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Mayor Mark Bohle City Clerk Michelle Girolamo

Following is a list of claims approved for payment:		
AHLERS&COONEY	BOND FEE	6,840.95
ALLIANT	ELEC	13,082.02
ARAMARK	SRVC	271.69
SHIRLEY BAKER	DEP REF	70.76
BANCARD	SUPP	515.05
BLACK HILLS	NAT GAS	6,959.79
BODENSTEINER	SUPP	342.29
BROWN SUPPLY	SUPP	1,210.27
CITY LAUNDERING	SRVC	177.08
CITY OF CRES	DEP REF,UTIL	1,283.69
CITY OF CRES	EQUIP	400.00
CRES COMM FIRE	SRVC	700.00
CRES FIRE SAFETY	SRVC	155.35
CRES TPD	ADVRT	11.76
CULLIGAN	SUPP	90.93
DALCO	SUPP	686.12
ELWOOD, O'DONOHOE..	FEES	930.00
FAREWAY	SUPP	12.99
FOLEY'S CONSt	SRVC	3,705.55
GALLS	UNIFORM	109.98
GOSCH'S	SRVC	159.35
HAWKEYE SAN	SRVC	45,087.00
JOHN DEERE	SUPP	301.94
K & H COOP	LP GAS	95.37
KEYSTONE LAB	ANAYLS	382.35
THE LIFEGUARD STORE	SUPP	411.25
O'HENRY'S	SRVC	12.00
PAYROLL		63,522.01
POOL TECH	SUPP	952.75
POPULAR SUBSCRIPT	NEWSPR	16.07
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	409.70
PRECISION OVERHEAD	SRVC	558.00
PRINC LIFE	INSUR	82.94
RACOM	RPRS	321.50
SAMS DISCOVER	CONCESS	720.17
SANDRY FIRE	SUPP	116.96
SKYLINE CONSTR	2ND AVE REQ#3	8,904.57
SPAHN & ROSE	TIF REBATE	20,358.00
WILSON TREE	SRVC	40.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE	1,117.43
ZEE MEDICAL	SUPP	167.80
	General Fund	98,795.06
	Road Use Tax	10,559.40
	Emp Benefits	6,833.72
	Local Option Tax	4,430.05
	Urban Ren TIF	20,358.00
	Nuisance Hse	165.00
	Cresco Telecom	308.34
	Equip Rpl	4,268.00
	Fire Equp Trust	700.00
	Street Trust	22.50
	Debt Service	4,977.95
	Street 2nd Ave Proj	8,904.57
	Watermain Looping	650.00
	Water Utility	10,768.22
	Water Dep	240.00
	Water Util Rpr	426.00
	MSSU Operation	8,703.08
	Water & Sewer	81.94
	Yard Waste	101.60
	EXPENDITURES	181,293.43
	Revenues 3/19 to 4/01/13	91,844.28