

The Cresco City Council met October 18, 2010, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Blake, Bouska, Loveless, and McCarville were present. Moore arrived at 7:03 pm. No Council members were absent.

It was moved by Loveless to approve the consent agenda, which included approval of: the agenda; claims; and the minutes of the October 4, 2010 City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Bouska and passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Denny Cauwels reported on: (a) the County has a used 1984 140G grader with a wing and v-plow for sale for \$32,200. This would be six years newer and fewer hours than our current one. Girolamo reported that she had looked at comparable machines and thought that this was a fair price. Blake questioned if there were enough funds to pay for the grader and Girolamo said an amendment will be needed to the current budget but we do have fund balances available and recommended paying half out of the street trust fund and half from the local option sales tax fund. Loveless made the motion to purchase the grader and Blake seconded and passed all ayes; (b) the sewer department has been hauling sludge out; (c) the street department has been picking up leaves this week and the sand is in and salt will be delivered this week; (d) water department is finished flushing fire hydrants; (d) the sewer rerouting project final inspection will be later this week.

Rod Freidhof reported on a meeting between staff and WHKS, the City's engineers, on October 12th. The purpose was an overall status update on all projects. We discussed the following: the 1st Avenue project; new potential paving projects; York Avenue paving by REC with Erdman Engineering doing the project and WHKS reviewing for the City; annexation for areas that we are already providing services to; the sewer rerouting on 7th Street is on hold until the line is televised and a decision is made about whether/how to proceed; sewer odor issues were discussed; Cresco Food Technology expansion and discharge issues; sludge storage project calendar was shared with work to be done by next fall; and REC met with us to discuss changing the service and rerouting their line and will work with us on some cost saving options. Bohle asked about the sinkhole project and Freidhof replied that was not with WHKS but rather with RC&D and the DNR so staff will follow up on the results of the dye testing that was done earlier. The City will need to work with REC on York making sure the water and sewer are stubbed out so they are not under the street. McCarville asked about a rock path that was put in on public property off of 8th Street East, and concerned about melting snow runoff with the change in grade.

Police Chief Mark Kissinger reported that the investigation is continuing on the vandalism and thefts that occurred a few weeks ago.

Deputy Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported on the financial position of the City and that we just received a large amount of property tax in October. She stated that all departments are running on budget and that water and sewer revenue was right on budget. Unfortunately, water usage typically declines in the next few months so the revenue may be under budget again this year. Girolamo also stated that the City should have a representative at meetings. CIDC will be Bouska, Chamber will be Bohle, HCED will be McCarville; Revolving Loan Fund will be Girolamo; IRP is Blake and Bohle. Girolamo reminded Council of the Strategic Planning meeting on October 28, 2010 and to think of methods of distribution of questionnaires and tallying the results.

Fire Chief Neal Stapelkamp reported that Cody Courtney, John Gehling and Charlene Alden were hired. He also stated that the water heater broke down and will need to be replaced. Neal reminded everyone of the pancake supper on November 2nd.

Loveless made a motion to accept the Park Board's recommendation to appoint Mike Bina to the Park Board. Moore seconded the motion and it passed all ayes. Mayor Bohle delivered the Oath of Office and Mike Bina was sworn in.

The Cresco Tourism Board submitted recommendations for the awarding of the Hotel/Motel Tax tourism grants. Blake had questions regarding the request for the Norman Borlaug DVD and inquired whether this should be funded by the Norman Borlaug Foundation rather than the City. Spiff replied that this is not a project of the Foundation but rather the Howard County Tourism Board. Without the commitment from the City, they will not be able to move forward with the project without finding alternate funding sources. The DVD will contain testimonials from local people and they would like to

get these done soon. The sale of DVDs will help to fund tourism in the future. Moore made a motion to accept the recommendation to award the \$4,383.12 Tourism grants as follows: Cresco Chamber & HCBT requested \$500 and awarded \$500 for the 2010 Santa Holiday Parade; HCED Tourism requested \$3,000 and awarded \$2,000 for the Norman Borlaug DVD; HCBT & the Historical Society requested \$1,000 and awarded \$1,000 for the log cabin in Beadle Park; and Cresco Chamber/HCBT requested \$1,000 and awarded \$883.12 for the Buy Local/Shop Cresco holiday promotion. Bouska seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

The Council feels they need to get a better handle on the Tourism grant process so they will review the process and also to promote the grant so the community is more aware of the availability. Bouska and Moore will be added to the committee to review the applications.

Blake made a motion to approve a resolution setting charges for services to private parties. The motion was seconded by Moore and passed all ayes.

McCarville made a motion to accept the recommendation of the personnel committee to hire Rodney Freidhof as a full time Public Works Director. Loveless seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made a motion to accept the personnel committee's recommendation to appoint Michelle Girolamo as the City Clerk. Moore seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Loveless made a motion to set a Public Meeting for Receipt of Bids for \$1,050,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2010 for October 28, 2010 at 11:00 am at City Hall. Blake seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Moore made a motion to set a Public Meeting for a Resolution Directing the Sale of \$1,050,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2010 for October 28, 2010 at 4:00 pm at City Hall. Bouska seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Council was presented with a map of proposed street assessment projects for four small street projects. WHKS has written up an agreement to do a feasibility study to prepare a report and estimated costs for these projects. McCarville made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with WHKS & Co. Bouska seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Public comments were received from a citizen who had belongings of monetary and sentimental value stolen. Kissinger replied that he could not make any promises or guarantees but they were working with the evidence that was collected. She then asked if neighbors could start a fund for a reward and Kissinger said that Dan Evans at TPD was already working on one and they should get together and hope that a reward may entice people with information to come forward.

It was moved by Moore to adjourn at 7:50 pm. The motion was seconded by Bouska and passed all ayes. There will be a special meeting for the sale of bonds and a Strategic Planning Worksession on October 28, 2010 at 4:00 pm. A Strategic Planning Meeting for public input will be November 10, 2010. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be November 1, 2010, 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	maint contract	44.80
Alliant Energy	electricity	698.55
Alum Line	equipment	100.00
Aramark	mats	160.32
Baethke, LeRoy	refund deposit	13.85
Baker & Taylor	books	1,075.66
Bancard	camera, conf	2,410.25
Bauer, Paige	refund deposit	14.59
BC/BS	health ins	23,491.37
Bob's Electric	ballasts	91.20
Brown Supply	supply	2,957.02
Bruening Rock	rock	402.06
Caffrey, Amanda	training	15.00
Cardmember Services	dvd	150.66
Carquest	repair	402.77
City of Cresco	\$afe-t-fund	2,582.69
City of Cresco	apply deposits	417.35
City of Cresco	utilities	63.62
CPU	office supply	27.49
Creger, Megan	refund deposit	57.06
Cresco Chamber	tourism-brochures	1,417.00
Cresco Chamber	tourism-N Borlaug adv	1,177.00
Cresco Chamber	tourism-family fun nights	500.00
Cresco Comm Theatre	tourism-all school reunion	500.00
Cresco Heating	heater	2,057.00
Cresco Insurance	insurance	363.00
Cresco Shopper	notices	123.75
Des Moines Stamp	supply	32.70
Diederichs, Wayne	mileage	51.10
Dollar General	supply	13.75
Dough & Joe	public relations	18.00
Electric Pump	service agreement	2,466.88
Fareway	supply	48.55
Farm Plan aka Fisks	supply	701.54
Fortune, Mary	refund deposit	61.64
Galls	uniforms	75.03
Group Services	admin fee	317.75
Hanson Tire	car repair	104.10
Harland Technology	maint contract	3,719.00
Hawkeye REC	electricity	4,054.59
Hawkeye Sanitation	grit pick up	98.61
HCED	tourism-maps	1,000.00
Hovey Oil	gas, oil	1,555.51
Howard County	LEC costs	12,083.47
Humanities Iowa Speaker	programming	50.00
Hygienic Lab	water testing	349.00
Ikon Office	copies	55.73
Imperial Industries	gasket	79.17
Iowa One Call	one calls	36.00
Iowa Telecom	telephone	133.55
Kubik Inc	bldg maint	45.00

Lancaster, Courtney	refund deposit	20.37
Latwesen, Kevin	refund deposit	8.92
Lifeguard Store	resale, supply, equip	894.80
Louie Balk Lime & Ready Mix	concrete	304.75
Marco	computer	100.00
Matt Parrott	supply	142.75
McCabe, Amanda	refund overpmt, deposit	96.35
Midland Scientific	lab supply	97.04
MVTL	wastewater analysis	725.10
NE Iowa Appliance	service call	45.00
NE Iowa Service	repair	110.47
Northway Well & Pump	repair	1,898.76
Paulsen Architects	LEC architect	234.37
payroll #21		59,541.23
petty cash	supply	66.00
Pool Tech	chemicals	132.30
Post Office	postage	50.00
Prairie Springs Rec Trail	repair	2,000.00
Quarter Master	boots	54.98
Quilter's Garden	refund deposit	78.53
Reicks, Vicky	refund deposit	61.11
Riley's Inc	supply	158.00
Ruppert Ace Hardware	ups, supply	404.68
Safety Kleen	parts washer	153.46
Schumacher Elevator	maint supply	122.52
Turnmire, Dale	bulbs	155.85
U.S. Cellular	cell phone	343.51
Up & Running	battery	2.99
Vine, Kim	refund deposit	60.36
Weber Paper Co	supply	165.98
Westcott, Emory	mileage	51.10
Wiltgen Construction	rock	788.97
Youth Sports	fees	4,870.00
	General Fund	49,156.59
	Hotel/Motel Tax	6,594.00
	Road Use Tax	9,178.40
	Employee Benefits	28,374.49
	Emergency	1,525.41
	Local Option Tax	1,355.45
	Cresco Telecomm	467.23
	Equip/Repair FC	299.26
	Rec Supply	4,870.00
	Water Utility Fund	16,822.84
	Water Deposit Trust	820.00
	MSSU Operations	21,805.13
	Capital Improvement	33.08
	Yard Waste Fund	1,103.10
	GRAND TOTAL OF FUNDS	\$142,404.98
	Revenue Total 10/5/10-10/18/10	\$765,500.72