

The Cresco City Council met April 16, 2012, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Carman, Bouska, McGee, McCarville and Loveless were present. No council members were absent.

Bouska moved to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the: agenda; claims; minutes of the April 2, 2012 meeting; tree surgeon's license for Drew Stevenson d/b/a Total Tree Care, LLC; class C beer permit (BC) with class B wine permit (carryout wine) and Sunday sales to Jvostana Patel d/b/a JAGDAMBE LLC; class C liquor license (LC) (commercial) with catering privilege and out door service and Sunday sales to M&M Lounge, LLC d/b/a M&M Lounge; premise change and ownership change for M&M Lounge, LLC; tax abatement under the Urban Revitalization Plan for Allan & Julie Daskam; pay request #5-final for \$16,217.75 for Skyline Construction for 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Project. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) Fort Atkinson won the bid for trees this year and planting will begin the week of April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Arbor Day is April 27<sup>th</sup> and a Red Oak will be planted in East Park in memory of Bill Gosch; (b) very busy with junk and nuisance house complaints; (c) pre-construction meeting was held for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue watermain replacement and street project. Construction should begin the last week of April with water and storm sewer slated to be completed by June 15<sup>th</sup> and the entire project completed by August 3<sup>rd</sup>; (d) Rick Bollman informed us that the inspection will be done on the street shop within two weeks; (e) Street: swept the whole town twice but with bad wind they may need to do it again and yardwaste pickup started today; (f) Water: will flush hydrants May 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>; (g) Sewer: hauling sludge.

Police Chief Tim Ruroden reported one of the police cars scheduled to be replaced in July went down with engine problems so they have started removing the equipment from that car.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) the Financial Statements were in the council packet and an analysis of each fund is written on them explaining budget differences; (b) health insurance premiums increased by 14% so we are analyzing some alternatives; (c) the partial self-funding has saved the City \$129, 266 over the past three years; (d) Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa is launching a new program called Healthways Prime that will reimburse members for fitness club dues. The Fitness Center has enrolled in this program hoping that this will help a lot of local people with their dues once the program is implemented; (e) Pat Ahern spent several hours cleaning at Champlin Hall so it is now ready to be rented out; (f) Northeast Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund is accepting applications for housing rehab. There are flyers on our website, bulletin board and in the newspaper; (g) the airport is having concrete work done on the south apron to finish the airport grant; (h) Mediacom has contacted the City to switch phones and internet service but consensus was that it would not be worth the hassle but work with Windstream for better deals; (i) Nicole Konkel was hired as the new billing clerk to replace Irene when she retires.

Mayor Bohle called a Public Meeting for resolutions in connection with the Cresco, Iowa, 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue East Reconstruction Project. Loveless made the motion to approve a Resolution Accepting Work. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes. McCarville made the motion to approve the Resolution Ordering Preparation of Final Plat and Schedule of Assessments. Carman seconded and it passed all ayes. Loveless made the motion to approve the Resolution Adopting & Levying Final Schedule of Assessments. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Neil Shaffer updated Council on the Silvercreek Watershed Project. He explained where they are in the process and have developed a plan. It has been submitted and they are awaiting approval and Federal or State funding. Included in the plan would be some urban projects

including rain gardens within the City. He requested letters of support from Council to be submitted that may help get funding for the project.

Jason Passmore and Maria Larson discussed "Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalk" signs on behalf of the Membership Committee. They had a sample of the sign which will be donated if we purchase additional signs. The Committee felt that five signs were necessary so they requested the City to purchase four signs for \$225 each for about \$1,000 total cost. The business owners will be responsible for putting the signs out in the morning and removing them at night. Loveless made the motion to purchase four pedestrian signs. Bouska seconded and it passed all eyes.

Bouska made the motion to approve the resolution designating a handicap parking space in front of Dollar General. McCarville seconded and it passed all eyes. Bouska also requested that the curb be painted yellow so no parking will be allowed directly in front of the steps of City Hall.

The Airport Commission is applying for a \$10,000 grant for runway repairs that would require a match of 30% or \$4,286. Loveless made the motion to approve the resolution pledging local match and support of the Airport State Funding Application for the Runway Repairs Project. Carman seconded and it passed all eyes.

The Airport Commission is applying for a grant to write a Long-Term Plan for the Airport. This will aid in planning for future development and grant applications. The estimated cost of the plan is \$50,000 and the grant would be for 85% of the cost. Loveless made the motion to approve the resolution pledging local match and support of the Airport State Funding Application for the Long-Term Planning Project. McCarville seconded and it passed all eyes.

Girolamo discussed the process of updating the Code of Ordinances. Consensus of Council was to eliminate Chapter 27 City Administrator from the updated Code of Ordinances.

Freidhof discussed bids received for roof repairs on the Scene Shop and to the high roof on the Theatre. A month ago it cost \$1,900 to repair one section on the Theatre upper roof. We have a quote of almost \$14,000 to replace the upper roof on the Theatre or \$5,420 to repair identified issues. Quotes were also received to replace the roof on the Scene Shop of \$14,000 and \$17,990. Consensus was to repair the Theatre roof and to get additional quotes for replacement of the Scene Shop roof.

The results of the Industrial Park Feasibility Study that Bill Angerman presented last meeting were discussed. Consensus was to investigate different locations for expansions and hire WHKS to prepare a feasibility study for areas to the north and east of the City. A worksession will be scheduled to discuss looping water mains.

Mayor asked if there were any comments from the audience. Jason Passmore thanked everyone who attended the annual banquet last week. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be April 17<sup>th</sup> at Billmyer Furniture and Flooring. He invited everyone to the Administrative Professionals Day luncheon on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Carman moved to adjourn at 8:12 pm. Bouska seconded and it passed all eyes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be May 7, 2012, at 7:00 pm 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:		
ADVANCED SYS	MAINT	56.20
ALBERT LOPEZ	TRANSLAT	83.75
ALLIANT	ELECT	490.90
AM RED CROSS	FEE	300.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	930.29
BC/BS	INSUR	25,517.79
BOB'S ELECT	REPAIRS	485.09
BOOK PAGE	PERIODICAL	30.00
BROWN SUPP	SUPP	359.88
BRUENING	ROCK	1,126.53
CARQUEST	REPAIRS	375.31
CASEY, JOSEPH	REFUND	4.44
CASPER P&H	REPAIRS	581.11
CITY OF CRES	UTIL, REF	315.29
CITY OF CRES	INSUR	2,822.94
COURTNEY LAWN	SRVC	20.00
CRES SHOPPER	ADVERT	810.30
DAKOTA SUPP	SUPP	89.17
DANKO EMRG	EQUIP	4,838.27
EMBLEM ENTER	UNFM	198.28
FAREWAY	SUPPLIES	28.75
FENCO	REPAIRS	173.38
FRON, ALLEN	REFUND	37.46
GOSCH'S	REPAIRS	284.25
GROUP SRVCS	FEE	348.50
GURNEY	EQUIP	2,234.48
HACH	SUPP	235.60
HANSON TIRE	REPAIRS	34.38
HAWKEYE REC	ELECT	6,687.32
HAWKEYE	SRVC	98.61
HOVEY OIL	SUPP	691.22
HC	SHARED LEC	11,758.73
IKON	COPIES	112.12
IA DNR	TRAINING	60.00
IA DIV OF LABOR	SRVC	25.00
IA ONE	SRVC	48.60
IA PRISON	SUPP	145.20
JIM'S AUTO	SUPP	17.45
KATELIN BINA	REFUND	47.11
KUBIK	MAINT	309.36
KWIK TRIP	GAS	3,848.21
LOUIE BALK	SRVC	2,142.39
MANNING ENVIRO	SUPP	28.99
MARCO	SRVC	725.00
MCMASTER-CARR	SUPP	164.62
MERCHANT SRVCS	FEE	50.65
MITCHELL CO INSP	SRVC	406.00
MVTL	ANAYLSIS	417.60
NE IA SRVC	REPAIRS	187.11
PAYROLL		62,238.55
PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	140.69
PLUNKETT'S	SRVC	414.96
POPULAR SUBSCR	SUBS	45.09
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	75.00
PRINT SHOP	SUPP	553.00
RILEY'S	SUPP	7.90
RUPPERT	SUPP	425.02
SANDRA EVANS	REFUND	344.79
SCHOLBROCK	SRVC	750.00
SCHUMACHER ELEV	MAIN	132.52

SCHWICKERT'S	RPRS	1,900.00
SIMMERING-CORY	REHAB HSG	4,340.00
STATE HYG LAB	ANALY	150.00
STOREY KEN	SUPP	847.02
LIFEGUARD STORE	UNFM	815.55
TPD	PUBLI	713.75
TREAS ST IA	SALES TAX	5,759.28
TYLER TECH	MAIN	9,412.04
U.S. CELLULAR	PHONE	332.69
VSETECKA ESTATE, WILMA	REFUND	13.22
WEBER PAPER	SUPP	147.41
WILLOW COURTYARD	REFUND	1,114.07
WILSON TREE	SRVC	1,524.65
WINDRIDGE	SRVC	489.84
ZEE MEDICAL	SUPP	209.57
ZIMMER & FRANCESCO	EQUIP	5,857.13
	GENERAL FUND	59,995.37
	ROAD USE TAX	15,539.92
	EMP BENEFITS	30,226.81
	LOCAL OPT TAX	4,049.21
	CRESCO TELECOM	569.57
	REHAB/HOUSING	4,359.11
	WATER UTILITY	19,702.89
	WATER DEPOSITS	320
	WATER UTILITY	32.76
	MSSU REV	72.88
	MSSU OPERATION	25,226.40
	MSSU REPL	5,857.13
	WATER & SEWER C.I.	1,712.39
	YARD WASTE	1,872.93
	EXPENDITURES	169,537.37
	Revenues 04/03 to 04/16/12	832,222.49