The Cresco City Council met September 17, 2012, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Carman, Bouska, McGee, and Loveless were present. Council Member McCarville was absent.

Bouska moved to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the: agenda; claims; September 5, 2012 minutes; Class C Liquor License (LC) Commercial with Sunday sales to Clarence Bouwma dba Cresco Bowling Lanes; excavator's license for Stoneage Enterprises LLC. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported: (a) Street Dept busy with Borlaug Fest and cleanup and also finishing the bike trail repairs; (b) Water Dept has about 30 meters left to install out of approximately 1900 meters. We will send out letters and if that doesn't work we may need to use the police and force them to let us install the meters; (c) Sewer Dept has problems with new bladders that were installed so a company representative will be here to look at them; (d) Sewer lift station alarm was hit by lightening so needs to be repaired; (e) attended a Green Infrastructure Meeting along with Amy to learn techniques of managing storm water and setting up a storm water utility which we may look at during budget preparation.

Police Chief Tim Ruroden reported that the mock crash demonstration was well received. Norman Borlaug Fest went good. Officers had stands at the Notre Dame Fair and Norman Borlaug Fest.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) Financial Statements are on budget after two months; (b) new office computers have been ordered; (c) Diane Kueker informed us that they will be repairing the stucco on the old City Hall and she is finishing the grant application for upgrading the building; (d) started working on the Annual Financial Report with Sue's assistance; (e) working on mapping the software to export data to the budget forms; (f) Fitness Center is meeting with Custom Alarm Systems for suggestions on improving security and quoting an alarm system.

Sun-Opta representatives, Julie Dietzenbach and Dale Dietzenbach, along with Brent Mehmert proposed to the City that as part of Sun-Opta's expansion and new driveway that they would install a storm sewer across their property if the City would just pay for the pipe. The estimated cost of the pipe would be $7,000 and would replace the existing drainage ditch. Loveless made the motion to approve paying for the storm sewer pipe. Carman seconded and it passed all ayes.

Police Officer Cory Jarchow and Shannon Cox requested support and approval for a fund raising project to purchase a drug dog. The estimated cost for the dog and training of Officer Jarchow would be about $12,000. A petition was signed by about 450 citizens in favor of the City getting a drug dog. They hope to raise enough in donations and grants to pay for the dog and related expenses. Featherlite has already pledged $1,000 and will donate a cage for the police car. Fisk's Farm & Home has pledged to help supply the dog food. Council was supportive of the idea of a drug dog to aid the police in their enforcement of drug laws. Council gave their support for the Police to begin fund-raising.

School Superintendent John Carver addressed Council to share the Vision of 2020 Howard-Winn. The world is changing and the traditional classroom educational system does not work anymore. Technology is being used with Junior High Students already having I-Pads and the 9th – 12th graders will also each have a digital device by next year. The fifth graders will graduate in 2020 and will have marketable skills to enter the workforce right out of high school. Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) are the new 3 R's that our students need to succeed. To transform this region, it needs to be a Community endeavor involving collaboration between the School Board, County Supervisors, City Councils, businesses and industries. Also,

a year from now they hope to have a "Start-up City", an incubator for tech start-up companies for students. Twitter is being used extensively for showing what is happening in school.

Mayor asked if there were any comments from the audience. Fire Chief Neal Stapelkamp reported the Fire Department voted to accept two new Firemen, Jamie Herold and Matt Andera, following their probation period. Fireman Brian Peter retired last week. He has been with the department for many years and will be hard to replace and they thank him for his dedication.

McGee made the motion to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(j) at 7:30 pm. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes.

McGee made the motion to go back into open session at 8:02 pm. Bouska seconded and it passed all ayes.

Carman moved to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Loveless seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be October 1, 2012, at 7:00 pm at Cresco City Hall.

Mayor Mark Bohle	City Clerk Michelle Girolamo

Following is a list of claims approved for payment:		
ACE ELECT	SUPP	267.27
ADVANCED SYS	MAINT	56.20
ALLIANT	ELECT	464.43
ALTORFER	SEWER ANYLS	120.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	1,341.95
BILLMYER FURNITURE	SUPP	30.00
BC / BS	INSUR	24,733.44
BOB'S ELECT	SRVC	392.35
BROWN SUPP	SUPP	62.37
CARQUEST	SUPP	216.95
CASPER P&H	SRVC	158.26
CITY OF CRES	INSUR	3,061.03
CITY OF CRES	UTIL	49.49
CRES CHAMBER	COMM GRANT	1,000.00
CRES SHOPPER	ADVERT	249.10
CRES SMALL ENG	SUPP	20.89
DM REGISTER	SUBSCRIP	240.02
EMORY WESTCOTT	MILEAGE	50.40
FENCO	SRVC	111.11
GROUP SRVC	FEE	348.50
HANSON TIRE	RPRS	1,094.60
HAWKEYE REC	ELECT	7,354.08
HAWKEYE SAN	SRVC	103.61
HEALTHY CONTR	FEE	10.00
HO COUNTY	SHARED LEC	12,557.58
HO COUNTY EXT	TRAINING	35.00
IA ONE	SRVC	49.50
IA PRISON IND	SUPP	54.50
KEYSTONE LAB	ANYLS	280.45
LOUIE BALK	SUPP	1,540.38
MODERN MRKT	SUPP	127.36
MUNICIPAL PIPE	SRVC	11,151.50
MYRON CORP	SUPP	155.19
NADA CAR GUIDE	PERIODICAL	98.00
NEVCO	SCOREBRD	3,787.80
NE IA SRVC	RPRS	602.99
OMNISITE	SRVC	87.72
PAYROLL		58,975.99
PETROLEUM MRKT	INSUR	750.00
PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	30.65
POOL TECH	SUPP	84.88
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	100.00
RICOH	COPIES	57.93
RILEY'S	SUPP	1,121.14
RUPPERT	SUPP	584.17
RYAN BECKER	MAINT	127.50
SANDRY FIRE	SUPP	36.00
SIMMERING-CORY	REHAB HSNG	7,610.00
STOREY KEN	SUPP	223.91
THE EXCHANGE	FURN	198.00
TPD	ADVERT	136.60
U.S. CELLULAR	PHONES	126.13
UPSTART	SUPP	22.45
WEBER PAPER	SUPP	134.54
WILLIAM JAMERSON	PROG	250.00
	General Fund	46,631.69
	Road Use Tax	7,894.28
	Emp Benefits	29,225.17
	Local Option Tax	5,275.96
	Nuisance Fund	5.00
	Cresco Telecom	367.73

	Rehab / Housing	7,610.00
	Street Trust	42.65
	Water Utility	12,550.09
	MSSU Operation	31,701.15
	Water & Sewer C.I.	823.22
	Yard Waste	506.97
	EXPENDITURES	142,633.91
	Revenues 09/06 to 09/17/12	203,007.88