

The Cresco City Council met December 2, 2013, at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Council members Carman, Bouska, McGee, McCarville and Loveless were present. No council members were absent.

Bouska made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the: agenda; claims; minutes of the November 18, 2013 meeting. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes.

Public Works Director Rod Freidhof reported (a) the Street Department has all the Christmas lights up. One light pole needs replacing and they will inspect the other poles when the lights are taken down; (b) staff will go to Decorah to watch the grinding of their yardwaste as we are contemplating doing that in the future; (c) asbestos abatement is scheduled for December 9th and Bergo Environmental will take care of all the required notifications with the DNR; (d) watermain break was fixed by the school last week; (e) jetting the sanitary sewer lines; (f) Municipal Pipe will televise some lines on the Granger Road to determine if they need lining or replacing as part of the street project.

Police Chief Tim Ruroden submitted his monthly report. Officer Jarchow has been busy with Thor and has also been assisting other agencies with drug investigations and arrests. Lieutenant Godman was informed that Cresco was one of only two departments in Iowa receiving an award for the National Night Out.

City Clerk Michelle Girolamo reported: (a) Audit Report was distributed at the last meeting and since there were no questions or concerns Hogan Hanson will not present it at a Council Meeting; (b) the Rehab Housing Project is finished with 8 houses rehabilitated for \$238,395 of which the City paid \$40,000 and the rest was a CDBG grant. Grant proceeds of \$68,805 were forfeited due to lack of applications of eligible houses; (c) Mediacom sent a notice that rates will be increasing January 1st; (d) Department Heads are turning in their budgets so we will start working on that. Sue and Michelle are going to a Budget Workshop to learn how the new Commercial Property Tax Rollback will affect cities and their budgets.

Girolamo reported results of the election as submitted by the Howard County Supervisor's Abstract of Votes. Cresco Mayor: Mark Bohle 482 votes; Troy Cleveland 163 votes. Mark Bohle is duly elected for the office of Cresco Mayor for the term of 2 years. Cresco Council Member-at-Large: Steve McCarville 602 votes; no other votes. Steve McCarville is duly elected for the office of Cresco Council Member-at-Large for a term of 4 years. Cresco Council Member, 2nd Ward: Amy Bouska 138 votes; Jeff Henderson 101 votes; Michael Huffman 16 votes; Duane Omar 33 votes. Amy Bouska is duly elected for the office of Cresco Council Member, 2nd Ward for a term of 4 years. Each took the Oath of Office.

Council Member Carman opened the discussion on installing stop signs at the intersection of 5th Avenue East and 3rd Street East. Loveless made the motion to install stop signs on 5th Avenue East for eastbound and westbound traffic. Carman seconded and it passed all ayes.

Mayor asked if there were any comments from the audience. Council Member McCarville made a public apology for making an incorrect comment at the last meeting that the City had paid all the expenses on the log cabin. After researching it, he discovered that the City had not paid the expenses and the Howard County Historical Society had paid \$15,445 for repairs to the cabin. He apologized for his mistake.

Carman moved to adjourn at 7:21 pm. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be at 7:00 pm on December 16, 2013 at Cresco City Hall.

Following is a list of claims approved for payment:

3B CONSTR	Supp	4,670.13
ALLIANT ENERGY	Elect	13,518.12
BILLMYER FURN	Equip	1,095.00
BLACK HILLS	Nat gas	4,306.80
BOEKE, Jeff	Dep Ref	79.44
BROWN SUPPLY	Supp	187.68
CITY LAUNDERING	Srvc	375.36
CITY OF CRES	Util	939.59
CPU	Srvc	154.00
CRES COMM FIRE	Donation	150.00
CRES FIRE SAFETY	Srvc	51.00
CRES TPD	Publication	398.51
CROELL REDI-MIX	Supp	662.38
CULLIGAN	Supp	79.01
DAKOTA	Supp	159.09
DALCO	Supp	614.62
DATA TECH	License	4,160.00
FAREWAY	Lease	1.00
FEDERAL SAFETY	Supp	289.50
FOLEY'S CONST	Equip	720.00
GRUBE CONST	Rprs	77.00
GRUBE LAWN	Srvc	600.00
HACH	Supp	94.32
HANKE, NICHOLAS	Dep Ref	23.41
HANSON TIRE	Rprs	16.60
HAWKEYE SAN	Garbage	41,301.77
HEALTHY CONTRIB	Fees	17.50
JOHNSON ACCTG	Srvc	33.75
LANGUM, KEITH	Dep Ref	73.30
LEIGH ENVIR	Equip	624.50
LEUCHTENMACHER, TRACY	Dep Ref	59.08
MATT PARROTT	Supp	180.95
MILLER FENCE	Equip	3,862.76
MUNICIPAL MGT	Srvc	600.00
O'HENRY'S	Supp	432.30
PAYROLL		67,313.41
PEPSI-COLA	Concessions	806.12
PETTY CASH	Postage	158.31
POOL TECH	Supp	144.77
POSTMASTER	Postage	495.91
PRINCIPAL LIFE	Insur	82.94
RICOH	Copier	835.09
ROBERTS, JOHNNY	FC ref	218.75
SAM'S DISCOVER	Supp	653.61
SIMMERING-CORY	Rehab hg	5,173.00
SIMS TV & ELECT	Rprs	65.00
SMITH, LINDA	FC ref	260.00
SPORTSMITH	Supp	818.10
STOREY KEN	Office Supp	132.24
TASC	Fees	327.80
TREAS, ST OF IA	Sales Tax	5,388.90
WHKS & CO	Engr srvc	9,992.65
WINDSTREAM	Phone	1,098.58
WINN COOP	Lease	1.00

GENERAL	104,841.59
LOST PROJECT	7,900.92
FIRE STATION BLDG	452.73
MEDIACOM	302.09
CRESCO COMM FIRE	525.94
ROAD USE	12,570.20
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	387.85
FITNESS CENTER	2,065.00
REHAB HOUSING	5,173.00
STREET ASSESSMENT	9,992.65
WATER	14,440.99
WATER DEP	235.23
WATER EQUIP REPL	167.03
SEWER	12,326.31
CAP IMPROVE	899.26
YARDWASTE	2,293.86
EXPENDITURES	174,574.65
Revenues 11/5 to 12/2/13	128,236.48