

City of Conesville
Council Meeting 11-11-24

Meeting called to order by Mayor Tom Van Auken at 5:30 pm

Present: Mayor: Tom Van Auken, Council Members: Azure Van Auken, Bob Probst, Carolina Izaquirre, Cassandra Espinosa, Cory Conaway, City Clerk: Carol Zuniga

Pledge of Allegiance, Consent Agenda: Motion by Azure, 2nd by Carolina to approve 10-14-24 Meeting Minutes Pass 5-0.

Sewer Update: Austin emailed an Iowa Pump Works Quote for the Powerpak Panel, a Cellular Gateway and a Pedestal Mixer. Discussion around installation and whether local electrician could install and also whether the mixer was for degreasing. Bob reminded old days put in a degreaser at old school and let it work its way through system. Quote for 17423.88 was tabled for further discussion when Austin could attend.

Maintenance & Grounds Update: Danny to check salt and see if another load from Terra is needed for winter.

Clerk Report: Aug Deposits: Garbage – \$4017.73, Sewer: \$9836.52, Interest \$416.98, Local Option Tax \$5132.03, Road Use Tax \$3757.53, Bldg Rental \$600.01, Property Tax \$13023.17, Total Deposits \$36783.97: Current Bills: Advanced Pest Control \$33.92, A. Conaway \$1200, Alliant \$1266.19, Amazon \$75.87, American Legion \$360, Arthur Tax \$145, Critical Hire \$150, Gazette \$133, Harland Checks and Ledgers \$1070.19, Rental deposits returned \$500, CD Fee Washington State BK \$1690.71, Copy Systems \$27.46, Deb Van Auken \$130, ESI \$220, IPERS \$542.30, Iowa Prison Industries \$192.50, Mincers \$225, \$3522.50, Oveson \$3608, Treasury Dept \$761.68, Windstream \$216.79, Total Bills: \$12548.61 Payroll: D. Conaway \$29.62, M. Conaway \$118.50, C. Zuniga \$1451.58, Zach Lane \$130.49 Total: \$1730.19 Motion by Bob to approve Clerk report. 2nd by Cassandra. Pass 5-0. *Postcards for billing ready to try. New ACH forms available for automatic withdrawal from customer accounts. Two council members signed up on the spot to try it out for Dec. billing. Clerk to send letter with December bills about changes taking place in January including the postcard billing for all residents and the ability for automatic bank withdrawals to pay city. Send out the ACH forms in English and Spanish.

Mayor: Old Business: Plow truck at Mincers, plow installed waiting on salter. Received F450 replacement title so can trade in on new truck. *Banking switch update – Money taken out of CD and transferred to Community Bank. Checks and new ledgers received and EFTS have been converted over to new account. Opened new lock box. Still need to close out lock box at WB. Missing one key and will have to pay fine. *Trees were cut for buses. Looks great and a nice thank you on school Facebook page! *City Ordinance update discussion of how to tackle update and all the questions that were asked last year when this was started. Council received packet of questions and samples to look over for next meeting. Suggested a work session at same time as budget session.

New Business: Small post office box is free with the City Address. The small is not big enough. City currently has a large and to keep that it will be \$84/6-months. Motion by Bob 2nd by Cassandra to pay for large box. Pass 5-0.

Council Items: Bob – Street resurfacing discussions need to take place now to be ready for summer. Conversations on what is needed and who to go with. Follow-up with LL Pelling and Ft. Dodge were suggested.

Adjourn: Azure motioned to adjourn 6:40, seconded by Cory. Pass 5-0.

Tom Van Auken, Mayor

Carol Zuniga, City Clerk