

**Regular City Council Meeting
City Hall, Cherokee, Iowa
November 10, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.**

A regular meeting was called to order on this date by Mayor Murphy. Present: Council member Johnson, Brown, Miller, Pingel, Peck, City Attorney Herbold, Administrator Eikmeier, Clerk-Treasurer Taylor.

A motion by Brown, seconded by Johnson, approved the second presentation of an ordinance amending provisions of City Code Chapter 75 pertaining to All-Terrain Vehicles and Snowmobiles by allowing ATVs and ORVs to operate on city streets. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Pingel, seconded by Peck, the council adopted Resolution No. 15-20, setting a public hearing for 7:00 p.m. on November 24th on the issuance of not to exceed \$800,000 G.O. Capital Loan Notes for street improvements. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Brown, seconded by Miller, the council adopted Resolution No. 15-21, awarding a contract to Steve Harris Construction for \$784,937.42 for the N. Roosevelt St. Improvement Project. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

A motion by Miller, seconded by Johnson, adopted Resolution No. 15-22, amending the Personnel Policy regarding the residency requirement as it pertains to essential and non-essential employees. Essential employees include City Administrator, City Clerk-Treasurer, Police Chief, all ILEA certified police employees, Public Works Supt., full-time public works employees, Park Supt., and all full-time parks employees. Essential employees shall reside within a 10-mile radius of City Hall. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Peck, seconded by Brown, the council adopted Resolution No. 15-23, in support of increased funding for the Highway-Railroad Grade Crossing Surface Repair Program. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

A motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller, unanimously approved the following under “Consent Business”.
City council minutes of October 27th.

Bills totaling \$233,568.20.

AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	POTENTIAL TIF DISTRICT	604.00
ALEXIA GERDES	VOLLEYBALL REF	20.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	431.58
ALLOY SPECIALTY, INC.	FEMA-ASBESTOS CLEARANCE EXAMS	495.00
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES	RAGS, RUGS, MOPS	49.47
ARMOND RIDER	CELL PHONE EXPENSE	50.00
ATIRA CREDIT MASTERCARD	MEALS; MOTEL; GAS--KRIS @ ACADEMY	1,602.34
	MEALS; MOTEL-BACKGROUND CHECK-ADMIN.	199.82
	FILE 2 SMALL CLAIMS	170.00
BERGHORST & SON	HOUSE MOVING - BAHR PROPERTY	8,500.00
BIERSCHBACH EQUIP. & SUPPLY	AIR HOSE ENDS	57.60
BLAINE'S WATER CONDITIONING	SOFTENER SALT; COOLER RENT; LAB WATER	155.02
BLOOMBURG BUSINESS WEEK	SUBSCRIPTION	74.20
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	INDUSTRIAL PROSPECT	3,291.30
BOMGAARS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	1,059.40
BRETT GANNON	MEAL	19.24
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	VALVE FOR OUTLET PIPE; STORM SEWER GRATES	3,869.00
BSN SPORTS, INC.	V.B.'S; B.B.'S; SCOREBOARD	915.88
BUILDERS SHARP. & SERVICE	SHARPENING; OIL; BLADES; BREAKER RENTAL	385.47
C-M-L TELEPHONE	PHONE & INTERNET-11/1/15-11/30/15	188.97
CARROLL DISTRIBUTING	SAFE SEAL-TRAILS; ASPHALT-TENNIS COURTS	720.25
CENTRAL IOWA DIST. INC.	GARB. BAGS; WASH/WAX SOAP	344.50
CHAD BROWN	GAS - ADMIN. BACKGROUND CHECKS	147.91

CHAMPION ELECTRIC, INC.	STREET LIGHT REPAIR	2,324.18
	WIRING - DENNIS BAHR HOUSE MOVE	634.55
	NORTH TOWER POWER LINE REPAR	268.45
CHARLENE CARLSON	MILEAGE FOR ILA	210.56
CHEROKEE AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	262.26
CHEROKEE AVIATION AUTH.	OCT. TAX DRAW	6,096.42
CHEROKEE CO. SOLID WASTE	TIRE DISPOSAL; DEBRIS – 115 UNION	4,594.74
	NOV. LANDFILL FEE	29,688.51
CHEROKEE CO. WORK SERVICE	CLEAN SHOP TOWELS; RUGS	95.22
CHEROKEE COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVE NOTICE - D. NILES	19.00
CHEROKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT	VOL. ALLOW.-9/27/15-10/21/15	955.00
CHEROKEE LUMBER, INC.	REROD-CAMPING; FORM BOARDS-OAK KNOLL	98.32
CHEROKEE STATE BANK	NSF CHECKS	394.41
CHRISTENSEN BROS. INC.	PAY. #7 - RIVER ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT	16,544.99
CHRONICLE TIMES	SUBSCRIPTION; MINUTES; EMPLOYMENT ADS	624.78
COLE VIETOR	SOCCER & VOLLEY BALL REF	75.00
COMES INVESTMENTS (PIZZA HUT)	PIZZA FOR EVENT	29.50
CONTROL SYSTEM SPECIALISTS	MECHANICAL SYSTEM REPAIR	705.14
COUNTRY SUBSCRIPTION CENTER	SUBSCRIPTION	19.97
COUNTRY TIRE & SERVICE	TIRE REPAIRS; TIRES FOR TRUCK	450.50
DAVE GRAVENISH REPAIR, INC.	REPAIR BOBCAT	500.17
DIABETIC LIVING MAGAZINE	SUBSCRIPTION	19.97
DONALD CORPORATION	BODY MAIN SLEEVE & SPOOL	352.23
DOUBLEDAY LARGE PRINT	BOOKS	133.44
DPC INDUSTRIES, INC.	CHLORINE	350.00
DUANE MUMMERT	CELL PHONE EXPENSE	35.00
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	RADIO INSTALL FOR NEW BACKHOE	354.90
ERIC PETERSON	SOCCER REF	55.00
EVERTEK, INC.	INTERNET - DEC.	36.25
FELD FIRE	EXT.; RECHARGE/HYDRO TEST; BATTERY; HELMET	548.77
FIRST ABSTRACT & LOAN	SEARCH OWNERSHIP – 100 E. WILLOW	100.00
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB.	SAMPLE TESTING	727.00
FRANK DUNN CO.	ONE PALLET ASPHALT PATCH	789.00
GCC ALLIANCE CONCRETE, INC.	CONCRETE - CAMPING	552.00
GREGG COMPUTER SERVICE	NEW COMPUTERS FOR POLICE DEPT.	2,130.00
HALLETT MATERIALS	SAND & LIMESTONE - CAMPING	460.93
HAWKEYE TRUCK EQUIPMENT	RUBBER FOR SNOW BULLY	591.35
HERRERA, LIZ	VOLLEYBALL REF	60.00
HIWAY TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC.	SPINNER FOR SANDERS	465.60
HOLZHAUER MOTORS, LTD.	OIL CHANGES; REPLACE HEADLIGHT	129.40
HOME BUYERS, INC.	BALANCE OF DEPOSIT	39.23
HOTSY EQUIPMENT CO.	POWERSHINE	499.00
HY-VEE, INC.	DONUTS FOR VOLUNTEERS-PUNT/PASS/KICK	10.79
ICON	OIL FILTERS- LOADER & BACKHOE	320.53
IOWA CITY/COUNTY MGMT. ASSOC.	ICMA MEMBERSHIP-SAM KOOIKER	75.00
IOWA D.O.T.	GRADER BLADES	1,493.70
IOWA LAKES ELECTRIC COOP	ELEC. - 9/1/15-9/30/15	56.17
IOWA ONE CALL	SEPTEMBER LOCATES	61.20
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	TRUCK ROUTE SIGNS	162.58
JAKE DYSLIN	MEALS; MILEAGE - ACADEMY	467.53
JANITOR'S CLOSET, LTD.	CLEANING SUPPLIES	350.51
JASMINE RAMIREZ	VOLLEYBALL REF	40.00
JERRY'S TREE SERVICE	REMOVE 7 TREES	2,550.00
JIM GANO	US & IOWA FLAGS	58.00
JOHN MEIS	ENGINEERING-N. ROOSEVELT ST. PROJECT	2,940.00
JUDY GRIENKE-MILLER	ILA MOTEL	665.28
K-MART #9222	VACUUM; BATTERY; SHARK; CLEANING SUPPL.	343.31
KIRKWOOD COMM. COLLEGE	L. KLASCHEN CLASS	450.00
LINDSAY WILLIAMS	VOLLEYBALL REF	60.00
LUNDELL CONSTRUCTION CO.	GRAVE DIGGING	345.00
	FEMA DEMO - 115 UNION	9,385.00
	DIRT WORK - 345 E CEDAR – BAHR	7,313.50

MACKENZIE BALLOU	SEWER CLEANER - CORNELIUS	160.00
MARY JO RUPPERT	SOCCER REF	55.00
MASON HILL	ILA MEETING	331.59
MES-MIDAM	SOCCER REF 10/12	25.00
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	LAMP ASSEMBLY	28.16
MIDWEST WHEEL COMPANIES	ELECTRICITY	16,523.26
MILLER, MILLER, MILLER, PC	WHEELS FOR SWEEPER NOZZLE	53.78
MODERN HEATING & COOLING	LEGAL-2ND & MAPLE SIDEWALK	220.00
MOTOR PARTS SALES	REPAIR URINAL	134.00
MUNICIPAL SERVICE & SUPPLY CO.	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	110.04
MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	WATER METERS; SADDLES/PARTS; PUMP PARTS	2,500.70
NATE JAMES	BUCKET RELEASE PINE REPAIR	664.30
NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION	CELL PHONE EXPENSE; SOCCER REF	65.00
NELSON'S LOCKSMITH SHOP	SUBSCRIPTION	33.95
NICOLE MC LAUGHLIN	LOCK REPAIR	40.00
NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS	SOCCER REF	25.00
NORTHWEST IOWA APPRAISALS	INTERNET SERVICE	84.90
O'HALLORAN INTERNATIONAL	APPRAISALS - FLOOD BUYOUT PROGRAM	3,450.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORES	FUEL COND.; HYD. HOSE TRUCK REPAIRS	1,280.54
ODB COMPANY	SOCKET SET	14.99
OFFICE ELEMENTS	SWEEPER BROOMS	1,406.40
OFFICE OF VEHICLE SERVICES	COPIER LEASES	425.42
PAITYN HAGBERG	20 SALVAGE AUTO CERTIFICATES	200.00
PEOPLE SERVICE, INC.	VOLLEYBAL REF	50.00
PERKINS OFFICE SOLUTIONS	OCT. SERVICE	4,700.00
PETTY CASH - LIBRARY	OFFICE SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	783.55
PIERSON PHOTOGRAPHY	SUPPLIES; POSTAGE; SUNDAY PAPERS	110.96
PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FIN.	PHOTOS FOR STATE RESERVES	145.00
POPULAR MECHANICS	OCT. POSTAGE METER RENT	35.00
RDG PLANNING & DESIGN	SUBSCRIPTION	12.00
REBECCA SARGENT	ENG. - CDBG FACADE PROGRAM	19,059.82
REHAB SYSTEMS, INC.	BALANCE OF DEPOSIT	23.45
REINERT MACHINE SHOP	SEWER CLEANING; TELEVISIONING; ROOT CUTTING	500.00
FURNITURE	EXTRACT BOLT; STREET SWEEPER SCREEN	247.82
SANITARY SERVICES	CARPET - ENTRY, HALL & COUNCIL ROOM	4,734.04
SATURDAY EVENING POST	OCT. GARBAGE COLLECTION	25,338.30
SIMMERING-CORY, INC.	SUBSCRIPTION	27.98
SIOUX COMMERCIAL SWEEPING	ADMINISTRATION-CDBG HOUSING	1,750.00
	1/2 COST-CRACK SEAL TENNIS COURTS	1,500.00
	CRACK SEALING - VARIOUS AREAS	8,000.00
SKYLAR GERDES	VOLLEYBALL REF	30.00
STANDARD READY MIX	FLOWABLE FILL - OAK KNOLL SINKHOLE	785.00
STEVE'S WINDOW SERVICE	WINDOW CLEANING	90.00
STORM LAKE HYDRAULICS	HYD. HOSE FOR BAKCHOE	87.33
SYNCHRONY BANK/AMAZON	DVD'S	38.89
THE ACCURATE COURT REPORTER	MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION	13.00
THE BOOK FARM	BOOKS	35.93
THE BOOK VINE	REFUND STOREFRONT DEPOSIT	500.00
THE DES MOINES REGISTER	SUBSCRIPTION	223.32
THREE RIVERS BENEFIT	CLAIMS THRU 10/30/15; NOV. ADMIN. FEE	1,277.57
TODD LARSEN	CELL PHONE EXPENSE	35.00
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	OCT. SALES TAX	3,836.94
UNITED STATES CELLULAR	CELL PHONES - 10/22/15-11/21/15	227.85
U.S. BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER LEASE	89.94
USA BLUE BOOK	GATE VALVE; ALT. PRESSURE; LAB SUPPLIES	1,032.94
USPS	POSTAGE FOR UTILITY BILLS	676.56
VALLEY VETERINARY CENTER	CHECK UP FOR K-9	43.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES - 10/21/15-11/20/15	64.62
WALDNER'S LAWN SERVICE	OCT. LAWN CARE	105.00
WALL STREET JOURNAL	SUBSCRIPTION	796.80
WEX BANK	FUEL	2,319.71
WIESE OIL & SUPPLY CO., LTD	DIESEL FUEL; OIL; PROPANE	2,058.00

WINDSTREAM	PHONE/INTERNET - 10/13/15-11/12/15	937.69
WITTGRAF LAW FIRM	OCT. LEGAL SERVICES	2,147.50
WYATT BALLOU	SOCCER REF	25.00
ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	LAB SUPPLIES	168.66
ZIEGLER, INC.	MUFFLER FOR MAINTAINER	453.86

Renewal of Class “C” liquor license – Loft 101.
Reviewed Library Board minutes of October 7th.

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Johnson, the council unanimously approved an amended farm ground lease with Tom Jenness to include newly acquired green space property east of Roosevelt Ave. and south of Maple St. The annual lease payment will be \$250.

On a motion by Peck, seconded by Pingel, the council went into executive session at 7:12 p.m. to discuss matters of possible litigation as per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(c). Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

City Attorney Herbold left the meeting at this time. City Attorney Wittgraf joined the council in executive session.

On a motion by Brown, seconded by Peck, the council returned to regular session at 7:40 p.m. Roll call was: AYES: All. NAYS: None.

On a motion by Johnson, seconded by Pingel, the council authorized the City Attorney to draft an amended training reimbursement agreement, for review by the employee’s attorney, as discussed in executive session. Motion carried.

Administrator Eikmeier reported that he visited with Mark and Tom Lundell concerning the closing of Lundell Construction effective 12/31/15. This is a loss of about 20 jobs in their Cherokee operation. They will be keeping their employees and equipment until the auction in May. Rehab Systems and Sanitary Services will remain in operation.

Subject to final testing results, a new police officer will be hired. This individual is a certified officer. Officer Jake Dyslin will graduate from the Academy in December and Officer Zach Smith will begin the Academy in January.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

News media – Ken Ross, *Chronicle Times*; Nikki Thunder, KCHE.

Mark Murphy – Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra Taylor
City Clerk-Treasurer