

City of Camanche

January 19, 2016

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session January 19, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Willis, presiding, and the following named council members: Metzger, Saxon, Lind, Varner, and Wruck. Also present were City Administrator Roth, City Attorneys Randy Current and John Frey, department heads Houzenga, and Schutte and City Clerk/Treasurer Jindrich.

A moment of silence was observed. Mayor Willis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Lind, second by Saxon to approve the agenda.

Audit – Andrea Rumler, with Winkel, Parker & Foster, presented the audit findings for the audit that was just completed for FYE 2015. It was a clean audit. The audit will be placed on the next agenda for acceptance after the council has had a chance to review it.

Moved by Varner, second by Lind to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve minutes from council meeting held January 5, 2016 and budget work session held January 12, 2016; approve Abstract No. 648 which includes the following:

ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	261.95
BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	BOOK	34.31
BLAIN'S FARM & FLEET	DIESEL OIL	359.91
BONNELL INDUSTRIES INC	CUTTING EDGE,PLOW BOLTS,NUTS	659.32
BOSS INC	COPY PAPER,NAMEPLATES	167.96
CAMANCHE FOOD PRIDE	CLEANING SUPPLIES	110.64
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	95014-WIPER BLADES-EXPEDITION	51.32
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	154.91
CITY OF CLINTON	23E SEWER	23,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	9,793.57
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	ANNUAL LICENSE	33.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	GARNISHMENT	323.08
COMPANY ONE	EXTINGUISHER,EXIT LIGHTS RECER	1,124.10
CULLIGAN	DISPENSER RENTAL	10.00
DETERMANN ASPHALT PAVING	PAY #5-WASH BLVD ENHANCEMENT	39,879.55
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC	TIRES-SQUAD,SEWER JET	812.44
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHTING	89.42
FASTENAL COMPANY	PARTS FOR BOBCAT	8.19
GALE	BOOKS	150.34
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	BLACKTOP PATCH,TAMPER	460.47
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT	DEFENSIVE TACTICS INST SCHOOL	300.00
IMPERIAL LANES	SENIOR CITIZEN DINNER	185.39
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS	693.66
J & C ENTERPRISES	JANUARY COLLECTION	154.00
SHERYL L JINDRICH	DEDUCTIBLES,FRAME	231.59
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	UNLEADED/DIESEL	1,578.62
LECTRONICS INC	RADIO MAINTENANCE-FIRE,POLICE	222.50
LESLIE ELECTRIC	INSTALL OUTLETS & DECORATIONS	4,192.90
LIBRARY PETTY CASH	POSTAGE,DRINK MIXES,TAPE,CUPS	191.47
WILLIAM LODGE	SAFETY BOOTS	200.00
MASTERCARD	HOTELS,GAS,MEALS,TACT VEST	4,152.22
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	450.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	3,521.81
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR	ANNUAL SERVICE	633.13

MIDWEST BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIES-POLICE,C HALL	79.75
NATALIE MORSE	SAFETY GLASSES,COPAYMENTS	157.60
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	9,407.74
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	LUBRICANT-GARAGE	10.98
PAULS DISCOUNT	114294-BATTERIES,TIRE CLEANER	117.30
TOM POWELL	FRAME FOR ZONING MAP	145.00
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	CYLINDER RENTAL	65.25
PREMIER LINEN/UNIFORM	TOWELS,RUGS	186.68
PRESTO-X-COMPANY	PEST CONTROL	89.00
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	22,659.00
RK AUTOGRAPHICS	WINDOW TINT-CITY HALL	295.00
THOMAS ROTH	COINSURANCE	50.24
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	INV 49422-SAFETY VEST,HELMET	1,435.05
SECRETARY OF STATE	NOTARY RENEW-LODGE,WEINCHENK	60.00
SEWER EQUIPMENT CO	HOSE,ROLLER GUIDE-SEWER JET	1,902.10
KELLI SMITH	PUSH PINS,CORK BOARD	11.99
BETH THILMANY-BLUMER	OFFICE STANDARD	87.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	DECEMBER SALES TAX	1,964.94
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	224.54
	95 GALLONS SODIUM	
VERTEX CHEMICAL COMPANY	HYPOCHLORIDE	140.60
WINKELPARKER & FOSTER	PROGRESS BILLING-AUDIT	2,600.00
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	934.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	727786-HYDRAULIC HOSE,FITTINGS	68.44
BWC EXCAVATING	VAC OUT MANHOLES,PITS	942.04
KELTEK INCORPORATED	10007052-EQUIPMENT NEW SQUAD	15,007.03
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
OPENEDGE	CREDIT CARD USAGE FEES	83.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	62.50
MAYER, LONERGAN & ROLFES	LEGAL SERVICES-DEC 2015	1,978.02
MID-STATES ORGANIZED	2016 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES	100.00
SHANE NIXON	MILEAGE TO SCHOOL	309.88
FLENKER LAND	BRIDGE MITIGATION MONITORING	750.00
WORLD TRADE PRESS	LIC RENEWAL-ATOZ WORLD,ATOZ US	555.66
XEROX CORPORATION	COPIER MAINTENANCE	60.75
DATAPATH CARD SERVICES	REPLENISH MYSOURCECARD	1,920.00
BASE	CAFETERIA MONTHLY	31.25
UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERV	COLLECTION	26.85
PLATINUM SMART INC.	IT SUPPORT,SPAM FILTER,BACKUP	1,205.00
PLATINUM LEASING	LEASE-SERVER AND PHONES	1,289.00
CALIFF & HARPER	98054-LEGAL SERV-PROHIBIT PRAC	2,511.35
CASEY'S GENERAL STORES	UNLEADED/DIESEL	295.42
DFS INC FLEX PLAN	FLEX PLAN MAINTENANCE	11.98
DATAPATH CARD SERVICES	REPLENISH MYSOURCECARD	1,200.00
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/13/2016	656.82
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/14/2016	656.82
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/15/2016	30,998.09
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	CLAIMS TOTAL	165,390.45
	GENERAL FUND	84,760.48
	LIBRARY FUND	4,927.50
	PARKS FUND	1,695.15
	CEMETERY FUND	5.50
	ROAD USE FUND	22,556.79
	WASH BLVD ENHANCEMENT FUND	26,424.40
	WATER UTILITY FUND	5,416.89
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	29,223.47
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	22,692.00

Accept City Clerk/Treasurer's Report for December 2015 with receipts as follows: General - \$104,013.28, Library - \$11,274.31, Parks - \$6,139.34, Cemetery - \$3,332.92, Road Use - \$47,994.87, Employee Benefit - \$3,389.74, Police & Fire Pension - \$7,203.19, Perp Care/Howson Trust - \$.14, Debt Service - \$13,770.64, Washington Blvd. Enhancement - \$35,045.02, Water Utility - \$27,509.11, Sewer Utility - \$44,666.60, Landfill/Garbage - \$33,084.58 for a total of \$337,423.74; receive, accept and place on file minutes for Park and Rec meeting held December 1, 2015 and minutes from Rose Hill Cemetery meeting held January 11, 2016; approve Tax Abatement Applications for 1320 23rd Avenue as submitted by LaDonna Ernst Trust and 1305 23rd Avenue as submitted by Mark and Vicki Lehmann; approve Pay Estimate #1 for Dunn Road Rehabilitation – Determann Asphalt Paving in the amount of \$139,306.26. On roll call – all ayes.

Rules and Procedures – Willis stated he mis-spoke at the last meeting in regards to council members calling the city attorney. He read this sentence of the Rules and Procedures – “Any member of the Council may, for purposes of inquiry, request verbal opinion or advice on City legal matters directly from the Attorney.” He asked Wruck if this took care of his concern. Wruck stated it did. Frey stated that the city is their corporate client. The council is the board. It would be like dealing with multiple clients. There are no client/attorney privileges. He told the council to not be surprised that if they ask the attorneys a question, that the attorneys will send the response to all the council members. The client/attorney privilege – cannot use it as a vehicle with the open meetings law. Don't tell them anything they don't want other council members, the mayor or the city administrator to know.

Agreement with John Frey and Randy Current – the attorneys stated that when the city requests the presence of both attorneys, the city will be charged for both. When they are going over material, they each charge ½ rates. Randy did not charge the city to attend the budget meetings. They will not charge mileage coming from Clinton to Camanche.

Moved by Varner, second by Lind to approve a Resolution Approving an Agreement between the City of Camanche and the Law Firm of Frey, Haufe, and Current, PLC to Appoint the Firm to Represent the City as the City Attorney. On roll call – all ayes.

Schutte read the December 2015 and the 2015 yearly report for the Fire Department.

Houzenga read the December 2015 and the 2015 yearly report for the Police Department.

Roth opened four bids for the sale of 2009 Ford Crown Victoria. No name listed on paper - \$547.50; Gary Tucker - \$561.58; Mark Hilgendorf - \$826.00; AV Transportation - \$551.00.

Moved by Wruck, second by Metzger to accept the high bid from Mark Hilgendorf in the amount of \$826.00 for the 2009 Ford Crown Victoria. On roll call – all ayes.

Roth opened three bids for the sale of the 1997 Chevy Extended Cab Pickup. AV Transportation - \$5,151.00; James Manley - \$5,610.99; Moehr Painting - \$5,550.00.

Moved by Wruck, second by Saxon to accept the high bid from James Manley in the amount of \$5,610.99 for the 1997 Chevy Extended Cab Pickup. On roll call – all ayes.

Garbage/Recycling Contract – the current contract expires the end of March. River City Disposal is interested in another contract. Roth told the council that they can sign with River City Disposal or go out for bids. Willis stated Brad Seward gave him a list of potential bidders. Lind commented that he hasn't heard of many complaints. Varner and Willis would both like to keep River City Disposal. Roth stated that the first two years would be at the same rate as he is currently charging the city and the next three years would be a dollar higher per resident each month.

Moved by Lind, second by Varner, to sign a 5 year contract with River City Disposal. On roll call – all ayes.

Report from the City Attorney – these are items they are working on: 1. Chapter 411 – work comp/medical only. Randy is getting up to speed on this item. 2. John is working on the retired employee health insurance. 3. Legal Services Contract – Brian Donnelly has informed them that none of the city’s old legal files will be destroyed. 4. Communications with the attorneys. 5. Clerk of Court – they need to sign up with the Clerk of Court to get them online to become the official city representative. They will then be able to see all of the court cases the city is involved in. 6. Special Charter – John is looking into this to see what the city can change by resolution or by the people.

City Administrator – Roth said that he and CRDC met with Stampede. They looked at all of the buildings and they will get this on the State’s website for available commercial property. He also met with Fritz of Cobblestone Inn and Suites. Fritz had contacted the city because a city normally our size would have a hotel. But after seeing all of the hotels down the road on Highway 30, he didn’t feel comfortable about trying to put one in Camanche. He didn’t want to have the city upfront the cost of the study for \$7,500.00. ECIA is working on the derelict building grant that is due in February. There will be another budget meeting this coming Monday.

Mayor’s Report – he stated that about 15 years ago the city had submitted a grant for railroad arm on 7th Avenue. We have been notified that the project has been accepted. The city’s portion would be \$22,500. The railroad is willing to split the costs with us. The city can spread the cost over two budgets.

Willis stated that he had received a letter addressed to him and the council. It was from Judy Dell expressing her gratitude to the police and fire department for the care she received when she had fallen.

Houzenga thanked Judy for her letter.

Bob Edens was wondering where the hotel was going to be located. Roth stated the gentleman had no particular location at this time.

Paul Willis was inquiring about the meeting on senior housing. Roth stated it appears all systems are a go. She needs to meet with the DOT.

Gerry Wiebers said on the 7th Ave. RR crossing issue – why doesn’t the city approach the railroad to see if they put crossing arms on 7th Avenue if they would be willing to close 5th Avenue.

At 6:52 P.M., being no further business, the Mayor declared the regular meeting to be adjourned. There will be a short break and then Art Eggers will be here to review the PERB ruling.

At 7:00 P.M., legal attorney Art Eggers, appeared before the council to review a recent decision by PERB establishing that the proposal to seek a legalizing act from the Iowa Legislature to allow retiree health insurance in the collective bargaining agreement was declared to be illegal. As a result, the issue of retiree health insurance cannot be included in the collective bargaining agreement and the side letter is no longer valid. The work session was closed at 7:20 P.M.

Trevor Willis, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich
City Clerk/Treasurer