

City of Camanche  
September 6, 2022

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session September 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Determann, Schnoor, Varner Weller. Also present were City Attorneys Randy Current, John Frey and Braydon Roberts, City Engineer Dan Solchenberger, City Administrator Andrew Kida and Department Heads Schmitz, Schutte and Schneider.

A moment of silent prayer was observed. Mayor Pruett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Weller to approve the Agenda. On roll call – all Ayes.

Guest Rich Klahn addressed the Council regarding sidewalks. He handed out a folder to each Council member and thanked the Council for the opportunity to speak to them. He spoke about a letter he received from Code Enforcement, as directed by the City Administrator, pointed by Ordinance regarding sidewalks on undeveloped lots. Based on Mr. Klahn’s understanding, the process should have started with the Council. He thinks the resolution discriminates against the four subdivisions. He stated that their safety is not more important than anyone else’s. He went on to say that his favorite part of this is many City properties do not have sidewalks, listed some and said asked Council to see the hypocrisy. It is his understanding the City wants the lots developed but feels that trying to make the argument that these lots are a safety issue is not the honest way to go about it.

Mayor Pruett asked for public comments on agenda topics. There were none.

Councilman Schnoor asked about item 4 on the Consent Agenda, Pay Application #3 to Hawkeye Paving for the Roundabout; how far along are we on this thing, what is the deadline on this being done? City Engineer Dan Solchenberger reported that they are a week and a half ahead of schedule as of the last weekly meeting. The deadline on the project, they have 85 working days and any days they are not working but they could work, they can be charged for. The 85 days comes out to somewhere around Thanksgiving, that is when they are supposed to be done. More than likely, they will be done before that.

Moved by Councilman Weller, second by Councilman Determann to approve the Consent Agenda which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on August 16, 2022; approve Abstract No. 807 which includes the following:

AIR CONTROL INC	SERVICE COMM CENTER AIR COND	245.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	431.68
CAMANCHE VOL FIRE DEPT	MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	500.00
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	LARGE PRINT BOOKS	221.38
CLINTON PRINTING COMPANY	PD-LEAVE REQUEST FORMS	268.00
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	22,666.44
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	GARNISHMENT	627.30
CORE-VENS & COMPANY	ADD LIFT STATION LOCATION 10	473.00
CRESCENT ELECTRIC	REPLACEMENT LED BULBS-FIRE DEPT	28.86
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	BOND COUNSEL 9TH ST BOND,PH 3 LOAN	28,815.50
EMER MEDICAL PRODUCTS	GLOVES,SYRINGES,SUPPLIES-AMB	221.74
GATEWAY DOOR COMPANY	SERVICE CALL, REPAIR PD DOOR	100.88
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	PWORKS-SHOP VAC,WATER,PAINT	448.12
IOWA ONE CALL	87 ONE CALL LOCATES	78.30
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS/DVDS	990.68
VOYA	457 PLAN DEDUCT	1,540.00
IPERS	IPERS	9,199.16
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	397.955 G PD; 49.962G AMB; 17.978G FD	3,588.62
	60.014G CEM; 359.946G PUBLIC WORKS	
ELECTRONICS INC	RADIO MAINT-PD,FD;ALARM-C HALL	252.50
MASTERCARD	LIB-SUMM READ PROG;KIDA IACMA;	2,455.32

CITY HALL BULLETIN BOARDS;PD FLASH DIRVES; FD NFPA MBRSHP

TOM MCMANUS BACKHOE	GRAVE-STRILEY	550.00
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SVC	SERVICE DEFIBRILATORS CITY-WIDE	1,316.90
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	450.00
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS WITH CASES	166.94
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	5,337.31
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIES-POLICE DEPARTMENT	85.60
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	22,543.73
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	BLOWER MOTOR FD F-150 TRUCK	52.65
LIFE INSURANCE	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	1,098.23
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	126.00
QUILL CORPORATION	BATTERIES,TISSUE,SHIPTAPE-LIB	104.37
RK AUTOGRAPHICS	LETTERING-CITY HALL DOOR/WINDOW	195.00
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENGINEERING-ROUNDBOUT,PH 3, MTGS	32,231.49
STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA	CAT EXPRESS SUBSCRIPTION FEES	105.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	JULY22 SALES, EXCISE,WITHHOLDING TAX	7,800.24
US CELLULAR	PD CELL PHONES,MOBILE 311 DATA	659.10
HAWKINS INC	45 GAL SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE	173.73
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	UNION DUES DEDUCTIONS	450.00
QUAD CITY SAFETY	CONFINED SPACE SAFETY KIT	2,460.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE/LONG DISTANCE	305.73
CHRISTY SCHUTTE	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	64.97
PREMIER PARTS INC	HYD HOSE FITTINGS-SALTSPREADER	202.80
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	728.56
CLINTON AUTO GROUP	#33 AMBULANCE PIPE ASSEMBLY	74.60
ANNA EVANS	MILEAGE-MARION PUBLIC LIBRARY	100.50
OVERDRIVE	FY2023 BRIDGES E-BOOK CONTENT	1,259.70
CLINTON ACE HARDWARE	SHIP WATER SAMPLES	11.93
MYRON CORP	WINDSOR ATLAS PP500 FIRE DEPT	213.74
WORLD TRADE PRESS	A TO Z THE WORLD,USA,FOOD	802.55
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	22,747.57
AFLAC	AFLAC – PRETAX	500.40
AMAZON	LIBRARY BOOKS,SUPPLIES	1,553.27
CONTINUOUS TOUCH, LLC	SIP TRUNKING	300.12
CASEY'S GENERAL STORES	55.95 G FIRE DEPT; 23.34G POLICE DEPT 25.02G AMBULANCE; 12.96G BLDG INSP	512.89
SPARKLEAN	AUG 2022 CLEAN CCTR,LIB,PD,PW,CHALL	1,750.00
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES	2,850.00
TONI SCHNEIDER	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	111.15
BARGEN INCORPORATED	CRACK SEAL, GAP MASTIC ROADS	29,490.00
REPUBLIC SERVICES	AUG 2022 CITY COLLECTION	29,900.20
GENESIS OCC HEALTH	MEDICAL DIRECTOR SUPPLIES	25.00
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	WEEKLY CLAIMS,MONTHLY SVC FEE	3,718.52
GEMT	STATE SHARE GEMT JUL-AUG 2022	4,584.80
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	CITY HALL COPIER LEASE	258.64
FIRE SERVICE INC.-WISCONS	FF1 ANDREW DETERS	50.00
DATA433 RISK MITIGATION	RANSOMWARE RECOVERY MGR-LIBRARY	60.94
MEISTER ELECTRIC LLC	1/2 CENTRAL PARK ELECTRICAL UP	4,500.00
PRECISION WEAPONS	GLOCK HOLOSUN 508T	89.75
AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS CO.	SERVICE SCADA WATER TOWER #1	1,732.50
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 08/18/2022	564.76
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 08/19/2022	47,155.40
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 09/02/2022	45,394.12
	CLAIMS TOTAL	374,673.88
	GENERAL FUND	158,185.23
	LIBRARY FUND	19,047.31
	PARKS FUND	7,939.71
	CEMETERY FUND	6,404.48
	ROAD USE FUND	40,138.13
	PHASE III SIP/EQUIPMENT FUND	12,933.10

ROUNABOUT-7TH AVE/HWY 67 FUND	20,084.15
9TH STREET PROJECT FUND	26,265.50
WATER UTILITY FUND	16,959.30
SEWER UTILITY FUND	33,796.75
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	32,920.22

Receive, accept and place on file minutes from the Library Board meeting on August 9, 2022; Approve Pay Application #3 Hawkeye Paving Corp. for the Roundabout \$258,031.64; Approve payment of City of Clinton FY23 Sewer System Capital Reserve invoice \$71,558.55; Approve Quote and scope of work for CTI to install security equipment and access at the Community Center for \$18,319.44. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Weller to Adopt a Resolution Opposing the Merger of Canadian Pacific Railroad and Kansas City Southern Railroad. On roll call – all Ayes.

A Resolution ordering sidewalk construction to complete passage in the Murphy’s, Stearns, Lawrence and Edens 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition subdivisions was considered. Councilman Weller asked if future subdivisions were included. Kida said that we would look at amending the Ordinance so it is included there. Councilman Schnoor if he had a lot, the last thing he would want to do is put a sidewalk on it. Councilman Bowman said he received a communication from another resident; in his opinion we should table this until Council can gather some more information. Councilman Weller said he received an email also. Councilman Schnoor thinks Dave is right. Mayor Pruett said this item will be tabled. Kida reminded everyone this will be on the next agenda.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Schnoor to Approve the Civil Service Commission Certified List for Camanche Police Officer. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Weller to Authorize Chief Schmitz to extend conditional offers of employment to two candidates from the Civil Service Certified List. On roll call – all Ayes.

City Engineer Dan Solchenberger led a discussion about PFAS. PFAS are Poly also known as forever chemicals which are a group of chemicals used in firefighting, non-stick cookware, paints, and possibly even floor material. Basically, it stops stuff from sticking to material. He said it is everywhere; in the water, in the soil and in the air. It initially became an issue when the Iowa DNR was looking to do some testing around the state to see what type of chemicals people had in their water systems. At the first of the year when they began the testing process, the total limit was 7 parts per trillion, which would trigger a health advisory. Most of the communities along the Mississippi River and even farther into the state have PFAS in their water. Health advisories are not enforceable and are not law. At that time, one of Camanche’s wells came back at 12 parts per trillion. The EPA has now lowered the health advisory limit to .06 parts per trillion. He stated they have not given a good reason why they made the change. As of June of 2022, the EPA is not recommending bottled water and they are not sure what the health advisory should be. What this means is that Camanche must notify residents there are PFAS in the water, there are health effects to it, but they don’t know what the long-term high-level exposure is for this chemical. At this point, we will continue to do quarterly testing and reporting. It can be treated out of the water but there is nothing calling for it at this time. Also, since it is a forever chemical, it is not certain what would be done with the reclaim water.

Moved by Councilman Weller, second by Councilman Schnoor to Set Trick-or-Treat Date and Time in Camanche as October 31, 2022, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. On roll call – all Ayes.

Kida reminded everyone about the railroad merger public hearing on September 13, 2022, at the River Center. Councilman Weller had a message from Senator Grassley; there will be a town hall meeting on telephones tomorrow at 5:30. He encouraged everyone to try to listen in. Councilman Bowman said he will miss the Library Board meeting and asked if someone could stand in for him. Chief Schmitz reported that the owners of the gun range terminated the lease, mainly due to liability concerns, so he is looking at long- and short-term solutions. We currently do not have a training location.

Mayor Pruett called for public comments. Doug Johnson said he agreed with Mr. Klahn's comments about sidewalks. He thinks we are unfairly discriminated against over there. You can drive around and see it is not enforced around town, even Washington Boulevard it goes back and forth. If we as a city couldn't put them in on Washington Boulevard all the way down, he thinks it is poor judgement to force that on some of the other citizens of this town.

Kathy Klahn spoke regarding the requirement to put sidewalks on bare land. She said in my 48 years in real estate lending, I've never seen a circumstance where there was sidewalk prior to a house being built because I think with Bobby Edens here he would attest to the fact by the time dump trucks drive over it you've now wasted \$4,000-\$6,000 of money and I don't think anybody in today's economy, even in normal worlds, I mean lifetimes, that you would want to blow \$4,000-\$6,000 so I really hope and pray that you use some common sense in this.

Mayor Pruett adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Austin Pruett  
Mayor

Toni Schneider  
City Clerk/Treasurer