

City of Camanche

March 21, 2023

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session March 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Determann and Varner. Councilman Weller arrived at 6:02. Absent: Council member Schnoor. Also present were City Attorneys Randy Current, John Frey and Braydon Roberts, City Engineer Dan Solchenberger, City Administrator Andrew Kida and Department Heads Evans, Pewe, Schmitz, Schutte and Schneider.

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

Moved by Councilman Bowman second by Councilman Determann, to approve the agenda. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Bowman to approve the Consent Agenda which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on March 7, 2023; approve Abstract No. 820 which includes the following:

CAMANCHE VOL FIRE DEPT	MONTHLY MAINT, SUPPLIES	555.30
CAMANCHE WATER WORKS	1ST QTR 2023 WATER/SEWER BILLS	596.46
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	618.74
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	11,233.98
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	GARNISHMENT	162.00
CERTASITE	FIRE EXTINGUISHER INSP/REPAIR	1,838.86
CULLIGAN	DISPENSER RENT-CITY HALL, LIBRARY	20.00
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC	2 TIRES- PD SQUAD CAR	305.11
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHT-9TH ST,ANAMOSA RD	112.62
EMER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	399.99
GENERAL BOOK COVERS	MULTIFIT BOOK JACKET COVERS	94.00
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS/DVDS	1,043.26
J & C ENTERPRISES	FEB 2023 COLLECTION	95.68
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	404.243G PD;257.405G SNOW REM; 88.868G FD; 22.243G AMB;194.8G PW	3,085.39
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	185.48
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER-CLIN	FEBRUARY 23 PHARMACEUTICALS	58.00
MICROMARKETING LLC	DVDS	135.81
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	2,598.45
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIES-POLICE DEPARTMENT	85.60
JEFFREY MOORE	REIMBURSE WELLNESS	250.00
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	12,120.61
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	BLDG INSPECTOR CAR-WATER PUMP	322.30
POSTMASTER	MAIL 1ST QTR WATER/SEWER BILLS	765.17
PRESTO-X-COMPANY	PEST CTRL-CCTR,LIB,CHALL,HIST BLDG	204.34
SENTIMENTAL PRODUCTIONS	DVDS	130.00
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENGINEER-3M PFAS;9TH AVE; 9TH ST	32,885.27
TEAM TWO INC	AMBULANCE BILLING FEB 23	1,037.21
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	FEB 2023 SALES,EXCISE TAX	372.46
HAWKINS INC	45 GAL AZONE-WATER DEPARTMENT	175.09
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	8.97 TON ROAD STONE	105.85
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	UNION DUES DEDUCTIONS	255.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	FUEL FILTER-CEMETERY MOWER	23.52
BWC EXCAVATING	JET SEWER MAIN-3RD STREET	3,692.00
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	PFAS TESTING CITY WELLS	1,480.00
PLATINUM SMART INC.	DATA BACKUPS-MARCH 2023	400.00
TROY ALDERMAN	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	27.62
CASEY'S GENERAL STORES	63.29 GAL AMB;14.8 GAL FIRE DEPT 20.71G POLICE; 31.14G BLDG INSP	415.82
FREY, HAUFE & CURRENT PLC	LEGAL SERVICES-FEBRUARY 2023	9,411.75

XEROX BUSINESS SERV LLC	FIRE DEPARTMENT COPIER EXPENSE	117.69
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES	1,720.00
PLATINUM INFORMATION SVC	ITSUPPORT,NETWORK MON,SPAM FLT	2,270.00
DINGES FIRE COMPANY	ITS PROP BASE-FIRE DEPT	262.00
NEW LIFE COMPUTERS	REPAIR LIBRARY PRINTER CONNECT	50.00
KIESLER POLICE SUPPLY	POLICE DEPARTMENT AMMUNITION	1,022.04
CLINTON COUNTY AUDITOR	3RD QTR FY23 PEANUT BUTTER	210.00
PLATINUM LEASING SERVICES	APR 2023 LEASE PAYMENT	853.00
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	MONTHLY SERVICE FEE	199.06
ANDREW WEINGART	REIMB GLASSES, BOOT ALLOWANCE	280.95
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	LIBRARY COPIER LEASE	197.16
CINTAS	UNIFORMS-PEWE	35.65
HAROLD TEAGARDEN	REIMBURSE GLASSES, WELLNESS	495.29
SHUTTLEWORTH & INGERSOLL	PFAS ENVIRONMENTAL MATTER	2,464.00
SHAUNA TEGELER	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	26.73
WATER DEPOSIT REFUND	REFUND DATE 03/14/2023	5.83
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 03/17/2023	46,625.87
	CLAIMS TOTAL	168,300.76
	GENERAL FUND	76,168.17
	LIBRARY FUND	6,277.34
	PARKS FUND	3,344.90
	CEMETERY FUND	1,700.02
	ROAD USE FUND	6,960.24
	9TH AV/ANAMOSA/21ST ST FUND	2,777.60
	9TH STREET PROJECT FUND	4,753.17
	WATER UTILITY FUND	34,081.64
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	30,977.92
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	1,259.76

Accept City Clerk/Treasurer's Report for February 2023 which includes receipts: General \$114,248.37, Library \$15,248.92, Parks \$7,697.67, Cemetery \$4,391.67, Road Use \$52,253.66, Employee Benefit \$442.53, Police & Fire Pension \$859.03, Debt Service \$1,711.72, Water Utility Fund \$4,084.14, Sewer Utility \$8,803.43, Landfill/ Garbage \$2,839.17; Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the Historical Board meeting on March 13, 2023; Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the Clinton County/Gateway Genealogical Society Meeting on March 4, 2023; Approve purchase of replacement backboards for Central Park for \$6,556.00; Approve purchase of Grasshopper mower for Cemetery from A C McCartney \$8,000.00. On roll call – all Ayes.

City Administrator Kida said he had provided a copy of the budget for the Mayor and each Council member. The levy will be set at 12.45060, less than the max levy set at a Public Hearing during a previous Council meeting. The Public Hearing for the 2024 Budget will be held at the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Determann to Adopt a Resolution calling for a Public Hearing to adopt the budget for Fiscal year 2024. On roll call – all Ayes.

Kida explained the Finance Committee met this afternoon and last week to consider the proposals submitted by Citizen's 1<sup>st</sup> Bank, First Central Bank and Clinton National Bank after we went out for RFPs at the beginning of the month. Kida said the Finance Committee decided to accept the proposal from Citizen's 1<sup>st</sup> Bank. Kida, staff and the Finance Committee all agreed the proposals from all three banks were very good and each bank offered great customer service. Councilman and Finance Committee Member Bowman said all three were very good proposals, all are good, solid banks. His Citizen's 1<sup>st</sup> recommendation came from, right now they are giving us good yields on our CDs and the fee structure. He noted there was not a whole lot of difference, but, for him, Citizen's 1st stuck out. Councilman and Finance Committee Member Determann said he liked the fact they are local and they gave us a good rate on our Phase 3. Councilman and Finance Committee Member Varner said he checked the references and they all came back good. Kida said this was a well thought out process and it's really the first time we've done a request for proposals for banking. It's something we should do every 4-6 years. It was very competitive and we appreciate all their participation.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Determann to accept the Proposal from Citizen's 1<sup>st</sup> Bank for the City's Banking service. On roll call – all Ayes.

Chief Schmitz informed Council that Police testing and interviews with Civil Service and Police Department Command Staff were conducted last Saturday. We had 22 applicants; 4 showed up for testing and we have a Certified List of 3 for Council to authorize.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Varner to Accept the Civil Service Certified List for Police Officer. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Weller to Authorize Chief Schmitz to extend a Conditional Offer of Employment for one Police Officer. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Weller, second by Councilman Varner to Authorize Chief Schutte to seek sealed bids for the sale of the Fire Department Ladder Truck. On roll call – all Ayes.

Public Works Director Pewe reported to Council that he found a truck at Green Chevrolet for \$50,748 less a government discount. He is getting quotes for the cost of adding a dump bed and is seeking approval to purchase the truck.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Authorize Public Works Director Pewe to Purchase a truck from Green Chevrolet \$50,748, less government discount plus the cost of adding a dump bed. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Authorize Public Works Director Pewe to seek sealed bids or auction the old Case loader. On roll call – all Ayes.

Kida informed the Council the Park and Recreation Commission Chair, Casey Green was unable to attend the meeting to talk about the Splash Pad Recommendation. He said that City Engineer Dan Solchenberger, who was in attendance, has been working on the splash pad project with the Commission. They sought public input and the design selected by an overwhelming majority was the Native American Theme. Kida said the design concept included some items that may not have been accurate for Native Americans in this area, specifically the totem pole, which is specific to Pacific Northwest Tribes and Alaskan Eskimo Tribes, which have nothing to do with Camanche, Iowa. The directive we are looking for from Council is to accept the recommendation of the Native American theme, but send it back to the Commission to pick specific items that would reflect more appropriate representations of this area. We will be putting in for a CCDA Grant. He suggested to the Commission that they have plaques around the splash pad that take the opportunity to educate people about history of our City and the Native Tribes of this area to honor and respect their cultures.

Moved by Councilman Determann, second by Councilman Varner to approve the Park and Recreation Commission recommendation for the Native American Themed Splash Pad. On roll call – all Ayes.

Library Director Anna Evans gave a slide presentation to Council for her Library Staffing Request for FYE2023. She would like to hire the extra person before July so they can be trained and ready to help when the Summer Reading Program begins instead of trying to train them while the program is being conducted. She is requesting additional funding rather than taking it from their current budget because they have already increased the hours for existing staff. The new staff member would make \$12.00 per hour. Councilman Bowman asked for clarification; Evans said this person has already been included in the next year budget. The current request is only for adding the staff member before the next fiscal year.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Determann to approve additional staffing request for the Library. On roll call – all Ayes.

Chief Schmitz presented the Camanche Police Department February 2023 Report.

Kida reported we are expecting \$30,000 from Homeland Security, still paying on our 2019 Flood claim. He will be at IMMI next week. Councilman Weller thanked everyone for their prayers for the loss of his wife as members expressed condolences.

Pewe encouraged residents to continue using Mobile 311 (see the link on the City Website) to report potholes so they can be addressed as weather conditions and staffing levels allow. Yard Waste drop off at the City Garage will begin on April 17<sup>th</sup>. City Engineer Solchenberger said they are still working to get well #5 running. Councilman Bowman would like to add the Property Maintenance Code to the next agenda, which could give the Building Inspector more backing in his position.

Mayor Pruett called for Public Comments. There were none.

Mayor Pruett adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

Austin Pruett  
Mayor

Toni Schneider  
City Clerk/Treasurer