

City of Camanche

April 4, 2023

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session April 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Determann, Schnoor, Varner and Weller. Also present were City Attorneys Randy Current, John Frey and Braydon Roberts, City Administrator Andrew Kida and Department Heads Pewe, Schmitz and Schneider.

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

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

Mayor Pruett opened a Public Hearing for the FY 2024 Budget at 6:01 p.m. Kida said this is the time for public input on the budget. The budget reflects a levy of \$12.45060 which is a \$0.32 decrease. In the absence of Public comments, Mayor Pruett closed the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Scheduled Visitor, Joe Vens with Core Vens was unable to attend the meeting; this item will be added to the next agenda.

Mayor Pruett called for Public Comments on Agenda Topics. There were none.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Schnoor to approve the Consent Agenda which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on March 21, 2023; approve Abstract No. 821 which includes the following:

ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	2,960.66
CAMANCHE VOL FIRE DEPT	MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	500.00
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	13,045.91
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	GARNISHMENT	162.00
CERTASITE	LG CASCADE CYLINDER HYDRO-FD	295.99
MANATTS	2.04 TON PREMIX	275.40
EMER MEDICAL PRODUCTS	AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	319.83
GATEWAY UNITED WAY	UNITED WAY DEDUCTIONS	72.00
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	WATER METER REPAIR SUPPLIES	23.99
IA ASSOC OF MUN UTILITIES	2023 IAMU WATER MEMBER DUES	989.00
VOYA	457 PLAN DEDUCT	3,006.00
IPERS	IPERS	14,358.97
KARL CHEVROLET	PD SQUAD 2023 TAHOE LESS TRADE	58,281.72
MASTERCARD	POST PD ENV-WATER DPT, TRAINING	3,494.57
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	450.00
A. C. MCCARTNEY	BLADES,ROLLERS,FUEL PUMP-MOWER	837.83
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS	799.86
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	3,447.59
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR	QUARTERLY AIR TEST	195.00
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	12,185.15
LIFE INSURANCE	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	934.71
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	126.00
QUILL CORPORATION	LIBRARY-PAPER PRODUCTS	65.98
ALLEN SCHUTTE	INSTALL NEW CAMERAS-POLICE ST	1,375.00
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG-ROUNDAABOUT,PFAS,SPLASH PAD	45,335.84
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE WITHHOLDING TAXES	7,136.43
UNIFORM DEN	UNIFORMS-OFFICER TURNER	209.60
US CELLULAR	PD CELL PHONES,MOBILE 311 DATA	612.68
HAWKINS INC	45 GAL AZONE-WATER DEPARTMENT	175.09
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	1.84T EROSION STONE-N BIKEPATH	27.69
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	UNION DUES DEDUCTIONS	255.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE/LONG DISTANCE	304.74

PREMIER PARTS INC	OIL FILTER-CEMETERY MOWER	31.88
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	1,078.65
XOP NETWORKS	FIREBAR SERVICE 4/1/23-6/30/23	779.00
IOWA POLICE CHIEFS ASSOC	MEMBERSHIP-SCHMITZ, LODGE	300.00
MABAS DIV 30	2023 MABAS DUES	263.00
CLINTON CO IT DEPARTMENT	ZUERCHER ANNUAL MAINT3/23-3/24	5,697.54
CAMANCHE KIWANIS CLUB	ANDREW KIDA DUES	144.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	23,435.87
AFLAC	AFLAC - PRETAX DEDUCTIONS	750.60
CONTINUOUS TOUCH, LLC	SIP TRUNKING	149.99
SPARKLEAN	MAR 2023 CLEAN CCTR,LIB,CHALL,PW	985.00
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES	1,970.00
REPUBLIC SERVICES	MAR 23 CITY COLLECTION	29,900.20
CORY SNODGRASS	REIMB BOOT ALLOWANCE	200.00
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	WEEKLY CLAIMS	280.27
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	CITY HALL COPIER LEASE	275.70
FLOW MSP INC	ANNUAL FIRE APP LICENSE FEE	600.00
CINTAS	TOWELS,RUGS-PW,CH;UNIF-PEWE	46.77
HAROLD TEAGARDEN	REIMBURSE MONITOR-BI OFFICE	117.08
AWESOME CAR WASH	JAN-FEB-MAR PD FLEET WASHES	180.00
COAST TO COAST SOLUTIONS	200 LIBRARY BAGS	144.31
SHAUNA TEGELER	REIMB GLASSES, CLOTHING ALLOW	343.82
PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS	BOOKS/DVDS	69.99
DECATUR ELECTRONICS, LLC	GHD POWER CORD-POLICE DEPT	148.00
P & C LITTLE RASCALS LLC	PETTING ZOO-SUMMER READING PRG	450.00
DAVID CWIERTNY	PFAS CONSULTATION	934.50
RIVERSTONE GROUP, INC	1.07 TON UPMIX	252.00
STORM WATER COORDIN	ANN DNR STORMWATER PERMIT RDBT	175.00
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 03/31/2023	51,133.49
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 04/01/2023	1,435.61
	CLAIMS TOTAL	318,532.50
	GENERAL FUND	170,568.36
	LIBRARY FUND	10,558.02
	PARKS FUND	2,769.34
	CEMETERY FUND	3,813.29
	ROAD USE FUND	8,808.65
	ROUNDAABOUT-7TH AVE/HWY 67	
	FUND	45,510.84
	WATER UTILITY FUND	15,104.63
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	29,342.59
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	32,056.78

Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the Park and Recreation Commission meeting on March 21, 2023; Approve Class C Retail Alcohol License (LC) with Outdoor Service Privileges for Clyde's Tavern effective 4/1/2023; Approve payment of Axon annual agreement \$21,303.36. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Varner to Adopt a Resolution Establishing the Tax Levy at \$12.45060 for FYE2024. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Adopt a Resolution Approving the FY 2024 Budget. On roll call – all Ayes.

Councilman Bowman led a discussion regarding the Property Maintenance Code. He said it is something that will give us some standards for present buildings, including residential and commercial and gives clear standards for the Building Inspector to facilitate making sure everyone here has a nice clean place to live and work. He pointed out places where our existing Ordinance is superior to this code. He talked with Andrew and if we agree to go forward with this, we would draft the Ordinance such that if there is a conflict with the existing Ordinance, we would defer to the existing Ordinance, and then gave the example of swimming pools. He also noted the Property Maintenance Code has a Board of Appeals, where if a property owner feels an inspection didn't go the way it should have, and they want an appeal,

there is a separate Board of Appeals. His proposal would be, if we had to have an Appeals Board, it would be a couple Council members and the City Administrator to hear both sides of the story, rather than form a separate Board of Appeals as described in the Property Maintenance Code. He then asked for others' thoughts. City Attorney Current added, since he has looked at the International Building code, one of the things this Property Maintenance Code does is apply the provisions of all the International Codes to repairs, additions and alterations for a structure or changes in occupancy. So, if you adopt it as proposed, you have already made some proposals to change and modify some things. The International Building Codes that are already under consideration for new construction would also be brought in to apply to existing properties. You are not going in to check on a house where they are not doing anything, only when they come in to get a building permit. Councilman Bowman added this code tells you before you occupy a structure, you have to have it looked at. Also, not for an existing rental unless it is requested, but before it is occupied after someone vacates it to make sure it is up to Code. Current said there is a process under this Code is if a contractor or homeowner has an alternative proposal, they can go to the Building Inspector with that proposal. If the Inspector denied the proposal, the Appeals Board would review the proposal. It is specific about the right of entry. There are fire safety provisions. Although this Code is only 60 or 70 pages, it incorporates hundreds of other pages of Codes and becomes a fairly extensive set of Codes to enforce. Current recommends making sure all these things mesh together so you don't set your employees up for conflicts.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Direct Staff to draft an Ordinance to adopt the Property Maintenance Code for the City of Camanche. On roll call – all Ayes.

Chief Schmitz addressed the Council with a request to sell outdated Police Department items no longer serviceable by Axon. He found a company that will purchase them; Axon will not buy them back and they are worthless to us.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Authorize Chief Schmitz to sell outdated Police Department Items no longer serviceable by Axon. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman second by Councilman Varner to accept Resignation from Officer Christopher Turner effective May 1, 2023. On roll call – all Ayes.

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

Kida reported that the 9<sup>th</sup> Street project is waiting for Centurylink to move their cable before it can begin. He has 3 of 4 temporary easement agreements for the project signed. He attended IMMI and he wants elected officials to understand what functions the state legislature is taking over. He encouraged Council to research HF1 and to attend the Legislative Coffees and talk with our legislators about our ability to self-determine, as a city, how to provide the services we provide, such as public safety.

Pewe said the generator for Well #5 is here. We have had quite a few sewer back-ups, a large one near Cedar Heights. He reminded everyone that “flushable” wipes are not flushable and cause significant damage to the city sewer system. He has the portable toilets lined up for the parks and is working on getting the Christmas decorations taken down. Chief Schmitz said radon testing was done at the Police Station and mitigation is necessary at a cost of \$1,800.

Mayor Pruett called for Public Comments. There were none.

Mayor Pruett adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.