

City of Camanche
December 19, 2023

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session December 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Varner and Weller. Absent: Councilman Schnoor. Also present were City Attorneys Randy Current, John Frey and Braydon Roberts, City Engineer Dan Solchenberger, 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 Varner to approve the Agenda. On roll call – all Ayes.

City Administrator Kida administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Austin Pruett who will remain in office for a second term to begin January 1, 2024.

Mayor Pruett administered the Oath of Office to Councilmembers Tom Klahn and Wesley Farrell who will take office on January 1, 2024.

Visitor Kristyl McDaniel, CPA, CGFM with Winkel, Parker & Foster, CPA PC presented the FY2023 audit report for the City.

Mayor Pruett called for public comments on Agenda topics; there were none.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Varner to approve the Consent Agenda which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on December 5, 2023; approve Abstract No. 838 which includes the following:

AIR CONTROL INC	FURNACE REPAIRS-LIBRARY	380.22
CAMANCHE WATER WORKS	4TH QTR 2023 WATER/SEWER BILLS	596.46
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	464.11
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	13,131.62
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	YARD WASTE	77.44
CULLIGAN	WATER,DISP RENT- CITY HALL,LIBRARY	47.45
GWORKS	W-2S, 1099 FORMS,ENVELOPES	245.59
E C I A	MEMBERSHIP DUES FY24 2ND INST	1,690.90
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHT-ANAMOSA RD,9TH ST	119.31
EMER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	416.70
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	TAPE,CONCRETE,BATTERIES,TRAPS	155.13
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	ROLSTON-VIRTUAL MLA REGISTRATIO	220.00
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	260.424G PD;31.389G FD;250.36G PW	1,956.25
	62.412 G AMB; 76.658 G CEMETERY	
LESLIE ELECTRIC	WELLHOUSE #5 UPGRADE TO 400 AMP	17,445.00
TOM MCMANUS BACKHOE	GRAVE-NIE	400.00
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	135.56
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER-CLIN	OCT/NOV 23 PHARMACEUTICALS	105.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	2,530.94
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIES-POLICE DEPARTMENT	107.72
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	13,289.19
GREG NELSON	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	144.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	SILICONE-9TH ST LIFT STATION	18.99
POSTMASTER	4TH QTR WATER/SEWER BILLS	786.09
PRESTO-X-COMPANY	PEST CTRL-CCTR,LIB,CHALL,HIST BLDG	204.34
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	233.00
QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES-CITY HALL	36.58
SECRETARY OF STATE	RENEW NOTARY-SCHMITZ	30.00
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENGINEERING-3M DRINKING WATER	23,415.98
TEAM TWO INC	AMBULANCE BILLING-AUG/NOV 23	850.71

TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	NOV 23 SALES, WATER EXCISE TAX	320.90
HAWKINS INC	100 GAL AZONE-WATER DEPARTMENT	359.24
BRIAN WERNICK	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	24.00
DARYL YODER	REIMB CDL LICENSE	64.00
JORDAN MOORE	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	40.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	PARTS-SEWER DEPT CHECK VALVES	199.36
BWC EXCAVATING	VACUUM OUT 9TH ST LIFT STATION	2,771.00
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
IOWA POLICE CHIEFS ASSOC	MEMBERSHIP-CHIEF RICH SCHMITZ	125.00
OVERDRIVE	E-BOOKS,AUDIO BOOKS	139.99
CLINTON ACE HARDWARE	SHIP WATER SAMPLES	13.24
ERIC DAU	NOV 23 PAID ON CALL	240.00
PLATINUM SMART INC.	DATA BACKUPS-DEC 23	400.00
AMAZON	LIBRARY BOOKS,DVDS,SUPPLIES	810.47
TROY ALDERMAN	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	54.56
CASEY'S GENERAL STORES	62.18GA; FD; 37.96 GAL PD; 43.98 GAL AMB; 24.01 GAL BLDG INSP	595.55
FREY, HAUFE & CURRENT PLC	LEGAL SERVICES-NOV 2023	4,895.55
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES	1,550.00
PLATINUM INFORMATION SERV	ITSUPPORT,NETWORK MON,SPAMFLT	3,463.17
BRENT BRIGHTMAN	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	20.00
DANNY WELLER	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	180.00
COAST TO COAST COMPUTER	LIBRARY COLORING BOOKS	207.08
EASTERN IA COMM COLLEGE	ACLS/BLS INSTRUCTOR-SCHUTTE	18.00
GENESIS OCC HEALTH	MEDICAL DIRECTOR SERVICES	156.25
CLINTON COUNTY AUDITOR	2ND QTR FY24 PEANUT BUTTER	210.00
CORY SNODGRASS	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
CHRISTIAN MARSH	NOV 23 PAID ON CALL	120.00
JENNIFER BIELEMA	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	108.00
JEFFREY HACKNEY	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
TODD POWERS	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
MICHELLE SOWLE	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	80.00
THOMAS FRANKLIN	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	108.00
JOHN LUND	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	50.00
MICHAEL BURMAHL	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
TONY BLOMME	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	264.00
PLATINUM LEASING SERVICES	LEASE 231-7 POWER EDGE SERVER	839.00
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	WEEKLY CLAIMS	1,324.65
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO	TISSUES-CITY HALL	111.89
JACOB VANZUIDEN	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	89.50
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	CITY HALL COPIER LEASE	472.86
SANTA HOUSE/HOLIDAY HOUSE	PARK AND REC ANNUAL DONATION	500.00
KYLE DEWITT	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	24.00
RILEY SOWLE	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	20.00
CINTAS	TOWELS,RUGS-PW,CH;UNIF-PEWE	103.31
TEMP ASSOCIATES-IOWA, INC	LIBRARY-SPRINGER/ZAMORA 12/10	2,417.78
HAROLD TEAGARDEN	REIMBURSE EMT TEST	134.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC.	CYLINDER RENTAL	9.75
GAYLON PEWE	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	105.93
RIVER VALLEY COOPERATIVE	TANK RENT-COMM GENERATOR 911	150.00
SHUTTLEWORTH & INGERSOLL	PFAS ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS	88.00
SHALAYA AUSTIN	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS, INC	SHIELD STICKERS-POLICE DEPT	330.95
JEREMIAH JACOBSEN	NOV 23 AMBULANCE STIPEND	40.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	EMS OPERATING SUPPLIES	63.92
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 12/08/2023	54,038.83
	CLAIMS TOTAL	181,984.76
	GENERAL FUND	88,197.78
	LIBRARY FUND	7,656.60
	PARKS FUND	1,688.22

CEMETERY FUND	2,028.23
ROAD USE FUND	6,057.88
9TH STREET PROJECT FUND	3,554.00
PFAS FUND	35,729.59
WATER UTILITY FUND	6,643.21
SEWER UTILITY FUND	29,744.38
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	684.87

Accept City Clerk/Treasurer’s Report for November 2023 which includes receipts: General \$263,123.48, Library \$28,051.21, Parks \$8,162.50, Cemetery \$7,091.67, Road Use \$50,585.78, Employee Benefit \$11,634.80, Police & Fire Pension \$22,585.22, Cross – TIF \$2,130.69, Low/Moderate Housing-Cross \$1,305.91 P. C. & R. Howson Trust \$3.59, Debt Service \$47,058.66, Water Utility Fund \$4,594.40, Sewer Utility \$8,643.74, Landfill/Garbage \$2,950.56; Approve renewal of Class B Retail Alcohol License as submitted by Kwik Trip, Inc. dba Kwik Star #632 effective 02/08/2024; Accept Resignation from Janeen Reuter, Library Board, effective December 7, 2023; Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the Library Board meeting on December 6, 2023; Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the Park and Recreation Commission meeting on December 11, 2023; Accept and place on file the report of Library Board Liaison Bowman; Accept and place on file the Auditor’s Report for Fiscal Year 2023; Approve TIF Payment RJ Edens Rental Property \$53,930.13; Approve TIF Payment Cross Roads Land Development, L.L. C. \$13,959.88. On roll call – all Ayes.

Grow Clinton representatives Andy Sokolovich and Matt Parbs spoke to the Council regarding the Renewal of 28E Agreement Concerning Collaborative Lobbying Effort by and Between Governmental Entities in Clinton County, Iowa. They explained that Grow Clinton manages the agreement and said Eide Walton are our lobbyists. The agreement is between the City of Clinton \$7,400, Clinton County \$7,400, Camanche \$1,300, DeWitt \$1,300 and Grow Clinton \$2,600. One lobbyist is a Democrat and one lobbyist is a Republican. At the last Council meeting, there was discussion about the return on our investment and a feeling like we are not getting any help. Tom Determann spoke and said to let him know if there are any changes we would like to see; he is willing to take it to committee.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Varner to Renew 28E Agreement Concerning Collaborative Lobbying Effort by and Between Government Entities and Cooperative Entities in Clinton County, Iowa. On roll call – Ayes – Councilmen Varner, Bowman and Rolston. Nay – Councilman Weller

ABM Representatives Dan Lawlor and Dan Choi gave a presentation. They reminded Council of the partnership that was approved by Council at the end of April to work on an energy and water meter project. They said no action is needed at this meeting. The cost of the project is \$3,696,189.00, which, if ABM financed it, would be 12 payments of \$484,130.00 or a total of \$5,809,560.00. They project savings over 20 years of \$2,245,261.00. The full power point presentation is in the Public Packet on the City website. They will be back on January 2nd and looking for overall approval on January 16th. Public Works Director Pewe asked if they had a price on the Water Package alone. Dan Lawlor said the pricing is for the whole package. Councilman Bowman said he thought we were going to be looking at these as three separate projects. Kida said this can be discussed on January 2nd.

Under New Business, Kida explained the Public Hearing Notice for rezoning land for the Solar Overlay was reissued due to the timing of the publication. It has also been reworded so it is a little clearer for the property owners within 200 feet. Mayor Pruett read the Resolution.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Rolston to Adopt a Resolution calling for a Public Hearing to Re-Zone certain portions of land currently designated M-2/M-3 Heavy Industrial and Ab Agricultural Rural as M-RE Renewable Energy Overlay. On roll call – all Ayes.

City Engineer Dan Solchenberger informed Council that construction of Well #7 will require a temporary roadway, an extension of Edens Avenue with a planned bid opening of January 10th and an award date of January 16th. Opening of the bids for drilling of the well will be on January 26th with an award date of February 6th. A map was displayed to show where the

work will take place. The well will be south of 14th Avenue and will be 1300 feet deep. Councilman Bowman clarified this will all be paid for by 3M.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Approve City Engineers Shive-Hattery to administer bid process for Gravel Sub-Base extension of Edens Avenue and Deep Well Construction on Parcel ID 1019552000. On roll call – all Ayes.

City Administrator Kida led a discussion about the City's existing policy, Resolution 20-37 Establishing a Policy for the Selling of Right of Way on Public Avenues where 100 foot Right of Way exists, which allows residents to purchase right-of-way on avenues but not streets. Instead of selling Street right-of-way, his proposal is to change the setback on 1st Street, along the river side, to allow property owners to build up to the property line. This would need to go through the Planning and Zoning Commission to amend the Zoning Ordinance. The requirements would be that the property must abut the river and it would need to be a 100' Street. The other option would be to change the Resolution, thus changing the policy and opening it up to 2nd and 3rd Streets. Councilmen Bowman and Varner don't see a problem with this. Councilman Weller thinks it is a feasible solution. Kida will put it on a P & Z agenda.

Chief Schmitz informed Council he has applied several times to CCDA for a grant to help with repairs to the back parking lot at the Police Station and the HVAC at the Station. The grant was denied again so he is requesting the ability to use \$31,000 that was originally budgeted for the shooting range to do this work, as we will not be doing the shooting range this year.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Varner to authorize Chief Schmitz to use \$31,000 of his range budget for HVAC and the back parking lot. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Accept Resignation, effective December 16, 2023, from Officer Tyson, Camanche Police Department. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Varner, second by Councilman Bowman to Authorize Chief Schmitz to fill the vacancy in the Police Department created by the December 16, 2023 resignation. On roll call – all Ayes.

Chief Schmitz presented the November 2023 Police Department Report.

City Administrator Kida presented Councilman Varner with a plaque commemorating his 16 years of service on the Council and as Mayor Pro Tem. Also, 9th Street has been cleaned up with the reinsertion of signs still to be done. Mayor Pruett thanked Councilmen Schnoor and Varner for their service on the Council. Councilman Varner said this was his 384th meeting, not counting all of the Library, Historical Board and Landfill meetings. He thanked his wife for always supporting him. Councilman Bowman thanked Varner and Schnoor and welcomed our new members. He reported that he went to the Legislative Coffee last week and the project in Clinton is supportive housing and not a homeless shelter. Also, as Liaison to the Library Board, would like a discussion about the Library Board on the next agenda, as well as a Budget Amendment to pay the insurance and parking lot expenses the Board voted to not pay, on the next Council Agenda. Councilman Weller thanked Varner and Schnoor and welcomed our new members. Chief Schmitz said the Civil Service List was exhausted with the extension of a conditional offer to the candidate on the list so we will be accepting applications and participating in a Job Fair on Monday. He would like to have the speed limit on 9th Street on the next agenda.

Mayor Pruett called for Public Comments. There were none.

A brief recess was taken at 7:22 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:32 p.m. for a FY2025 Budget Workshop. Kida led the discussion which covered taxable property valuations, bonding capacity and the Capital Improvement Plan. He noted the CIP calls for the splash pad this year. The current levy is \$12.45 and projects the levy will be \$12.25 for FY2025.

He listed challenges for FY2024 and for FY2025 as well as the goals of this budget. Councilman Bowman asked about the proposed Storm Water Utility. In-coming Councilman Klahn asked some questions about the splash pad maintenance and a budget for that.

In depth discussions followed. There will be further budget discussions at another workshop after the next Council meeting.

Mayor Pruett adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Austin Pruett
Mayor

Toni Schneider
City Clerk/Treasurer