

City of Camanche
July 16, 2024

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session July 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Austin Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Edens, Klahn and Weller. Absent: Council member Farrell. Also present were City Attorneys John Frey, Randy Current and Braydon Roberts, City Administrator Andrew Kida, and Department Heads Grim, 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 Weller to approve the Agenda. On roll call – all Ayes.

Mayor Pruett opened a Public Hearing: Proposed Communications Equipment Enclosure License Agreement with ImOn Communications, LLC at 6:01 p.m. Randy Schoon with ImOn was online and said they found Camanche to be a community they want to grow in. With ImOn, Camanche will have high speed fiber to the home on this side of Highway 67. The property the City owns on 7th Avenue will be their hub. In the absence of public comments, Mayor Pruett closed the Public Hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Visitor Brenda Larkey spoke to the Council about Camanche Days. She said they moved the festival up a week due to the Mississippi Valley Fair. She thanked the Council, the City and the public for their support, saying this is here 40th year. She named several of the events including the parade on Saturday, July 27th and the fireworks on Sunday, July 28th at 9:00 p.m.

Visitors Community Heart & Soul with Hometown Pride addressed the Council about their program. Among other things, the program is resident-driven and they offer seed grants. If Council decides to participate, they will need to do a resolution to show its involvement. Councilman Bowman said this program could be discussed during the goal setting program.

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

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Klahn to approve the Consent Agenda, which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on July 2, 2024; approve Abstract No. 852 which includes the following:

AIR CONTROL INC	SVC CALL-COMM CENTER AIR COND	247.55
UMB BANK NA	ACCT I1305 CAMANCHE GO2022	600.00
CAMANCHE DAYS	PARK & REC TEEN BOARD DONATION	600.00
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	635.19
CLINTON HUMANE SOCIETY	1 CAT, 4 KITTENS-3 DAYS	375.00
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	16,688.92
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	YARD WASTE, LIBRARY WASTE	496.48
CULLIGAN	WATER, DISP RENT-CITY HALL	38.20
IOWA DNR	2322066 WATER SUPPLY FEE 24-25	501.40

EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHT-9TH ST,ANAMOSA RD	113.19
HARTZ LOCK COMPANY	USCAN KNOB KEYED-PUBLIC WORKS	143.75
IOWA ONE CALL	124 ONE CALL LOCATES	111.60
J & C ENTERPRISES	JUNE 24 COLLECTION+XTR COMMCTR	141.68
LECTRONICS INC	QTRLY ALARM-LIBR;MNTHLY-CHALL	120.00
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	762.38
A. C. MCCARTNEY	PARTS-PARK & REC MOWER	150.33
MICROMARKETING LLC	DVD	33.24
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	2,669.72
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIES-POLICE DEPARTMENT	95.36
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	14,670.98
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	STARTER-PWORKS 1 TON TRUCK	139.87
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	WASTEWATER CEU COURSE-PEWE	150.00
QUILL CORPORATION	CH SUPPLIES,TAPE;PWORKS INK	132.66
SCHIMBERG CO	AIR/VAC VALVE-FORCE MAIN SEWER	3,873.90
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENGINEERING-WELLS 5,7,8;MTGS	19,358.08
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	JUNE 2024 SALES,WATER EXCISE TAX	2,152.44
UNIFORM DEN	UNIFORMS-OFFICER HALL	89.77
PAUL VARNER	MILEAGE-CCASWA MEETINGS JUN-JUL	94.47
HAWKINS INC	140 GAL AZONE-WATER DEPARTMENT	504.10
BRIAN WERNICK	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
WINKEL,PARKER & FOSTER	PROGRESS BILLING FY24 AUDIT	8,415.00
JORDAN MOORE	JUNE 24 PAID ON CALL	220.00
QUAD CITY SAFETY	GLOVES-PUBLIC WORKS	83.74
PETERSEN SANITARY INC	PORTABLE TOILETS-PARKS	1,020.00
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
JAMES SOWLE	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	250.00
ERIC DAU	JUNE 24 PAID ON CALL	340.00
UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SVC	COLLECTIONS-LIBRARY	186.40
AMAZON	LIBRARY-SRP,BOOKS,DVDS,SUPPLIES	798.66
FREY, HAUFE & CURRENT	LEGAL SERVICES-JUNE 2024	6,843.79
HUGUNIN SEWER & PLBG	TOILET REPAIR-POLICE STATION	491.00
CFS INSPECTIONS	LADDER INSPECTIONS	1,543.20
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES	1,265.00
MOBILE TEAM TRAIN UNIT IV	MEMBERSHIP DUES FY2025	680.00
VESTIS	RUGS,TOWELS-CH,PW;UNIF-PEWE	97.75
BRENT BRIGHTMAN	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	15.00
CLINTON ROTARY CLUB	QUARTERLY DUES-KIDA	211.00
DANNY WELLER	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	156.00
BRIGHTLY SOFTWARE INC	MOBILE 311 ANNUAL SUPPORT	6,448.84
AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	PD ANNUAL LICENSE-SQUAD CARS	13,454.01
TONI SCHNEIDER	MILEAGE-CLERK SCHOOL, AMES IA	245.08
NATHAN CAMPIE	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	243.58
GENESIS OCC HEALTH	MEDICAL DIRECTOR SERVICES	156.25

DUANE J WIESE	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
CHRISTIAN MARSH	JUNE 24 PAID ON CALL	120.00
JESSIE BAUGHMAN	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	24.00
JENNIFER BIELEMA	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	60.00
KEVIN DECKER	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
JEFFREY HACKNEY	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	48.00
TODD POWERS	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
MICHELLE SOWLE	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	20.00
THOMAS FRANKLIN	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	48.00
JOHN LUND	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	10.00
QUAD CITIES WINWATER	WELLHOUSE (3M)	3,904.31
MICHAEL BURMAHL	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
TONY BLOMME	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	60.00
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	WEEKLY CLAIMS	1,137.53
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	CITY HALL,LIBR COPIER LEASES+COPIES	663.18
RILEY SOWLE	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	40.00
HAROLD TEAGARDEN	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	84.00
HAWKEYE PAVING CORP	PAY APP 8-FINAL RETAINAGE-RNDABT	42,927.82
SHAUNA TEGELER	CLOTHING,WELLNESS ALLOWANCE	97.78
SHALAYA AUSTIN	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
SPOT FREE PROPERTY MAINT	INTERIOR/EXTERIOR WINDOWS-LIBRY	300.00
PUBLIC SAFETY UPFITTERS	VESTS-OFFCS HALL,VANDEVOORDE	1,848.24
JEREMIAH JACOBSEN	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	20.00
ARIAN STOWE	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	35.00
CLINTON REG WATER RECL	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	90.00
JOE SNODGRASS	JUNE 24 AMBULANCE STIPEND	5.00
RALLY APPRAISAL, LLC	2ND APPRAISAL LAND-WELL #8	300.00
OFFSET CONSTRUCTION LLC	PAY APP 1-WELL 7 WATER LINE EXTEN	79,911.24
GAIL GRIM	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	300.00
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 07/05/2024	65,861.56
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 07/11/2024	290.45
	CLAIMS TOTAL	331,347.42
	GENERAL FUND	126,584.33
	LIBRARY FUND	6,265.01
	PARKS FUND	2,952.07
	CEMETERY FUND	2,464.82
	ROAD USE FUND	10,602.99
	ROUNDABT-7TH AVE/HWY 67 FUND	42,927.82
	9TH STREET PROJECT FUND	600.00
	ACC/GCC WATER LINE EXTENS FUND	2,411.85
	PFAS FUND	228.00
	WELL 7 FUND	94,659.62
	WELL 8 FUND	975.10
	WATER UTILITY FUND	9,309.15

SEWER UTILITY FUND	30,587.06
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	779.60

Accept City Clerk/Treasurer's June 2024 Report including Revenues General Fund \$91,161.44, Library Fund \$30,956.60, Parks \$16,305.97, Cemetery \$14,281.74, Road Use \$72,865.00, Employee Benefit \$390.95, Police & Fire Pension \$758.91, P. C. & R. Howson Trust \$201.86, Debt Service \$1,571.70, Well 7 Fund \$101,000.00, Water Utility Fund \$34,250.02, Sewer Utility Fund \$63,775.22, Landfill/Garbage \$74,807.84; Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the Camanche Historical Board meeting on July 8, 2024; Approve Pay Application #2 Offset Construction-Final (Retainage)-Water Main Extension Well #7 \$4,976.96; Approve Change Order #1 Davisson Tiling, LLC – ACC/GCC Water Service W 9th Street (Todtz) \$1,282.92; Approve Pay Application #1 Davisson Tiling, LLC – ACC/GCC Water Service W 9th Street (Todtz) \$44,088.81; Approve Payment to Lewis & Julie Todtz – ACC/GCC Water Service W 9th Street 2@\$10,000, \$20,000 Total; Approve annual payment to Camanche Days for insurance \$3,000.00. On roll call – all Ayes.

Kida asked to have Urban Renewal tabled for a future meeting.

A discussion regarding Code Violations and Contractors was on the agenda at the request of Councilman Weller. We have adopted the State Building Code and he is concerned there are a few contractors doing shoddy work and wants to know where we are with what we can do to stop this. He asked if we could stop them or deny permits, maybe prevent certain people from doing work. He then asked to whom he would turn. Kida said the building Inspector can check on jobs. City Attorney Frey said as long as the contractor complies with the code at the time of issuance, the permit must be issued. We do not license contractors. Through code enforcement, we have various options. If the Building Inspector finds violations, he can pull the permit. Councilman Weller asked what sort of penalties we have. Kida said we can implement reinspection fees. Property owners always have the right to bring action against contractors and the Building Inspector has the right of inspection under the Building Code. Weller asked if we could publish a list of recommended contractors and asked if there are avenues to make people aware of what kind of work contractors do. Kida said we can see records in Mobile 311. Weller said he knows there is word of mouth but he thinks there should be consistency and we need some kind of penalty if they are not doing something right. City Attorney Frey said 6-11-2 in the Building Code provides the authority and if council would like to have more information about tools available, council can direct the attorneys to do the research. Councilman Klahn would rather see the contractors ordered to fix problems; we have just been talking about pulling permits. Councilman Edens explained how it has worked for his business, and that the Building Inspector cannot tell him how to fix any problems. He said the Building Code is typically the minimum standard. He stated that, as a Council, we should stay neutral as far as saying who is good. Councilman Bowman said he doesn't think a reinspection fee is a bad idea. Mayor Pruett likes the idea of a reinspection fee.

Councilman Bowman led a Quiet Zone discussion. He is proposing to invite the public so they can see what it takes and how much it costs. He is getting a lot of feedback and wants to

see if the public is really amenable for spending that kind of money. It will be about \$1 million. Councilman Edens agrees with having the public informed; public input would be great. It can be part of goal setting. Mayor Pruett likes the idea a lot. Councilman Klahn said we owe it to the public. We need to know what it takes at each intersection, so we have the whole picture. Councilman Bowman said we need to have all the facts and so does the public. Kida will get the information together and will send it to Council with some dates.

Park and Recreation Commission Chairperson Casey Green spoke to Council about Park and Recreation items. First, he gave a huge thank you to Gaylon and Public Works for working on the sandburs at Anthony Park and said they are doing great work. Green said he has a quote for \$4,000 for rubber curbing for the rubber mulch, of which \$1,500 is an aluminum ADA ramp. There is a two week lead time once the order is placed. He said he can install it in a weekend. He also said Park and Rec needs a line item needs a tree line item in their budget. There are two in dire need of removal. He asked Council if they could come up with a tree care plan for the parks, maybe a 5-10 year plan. Councilman Bowman said we need to add this to goal setting. Councilman Weller said we need concrete numbers; are there different stages of taking these down? Pewe said there are 2-3 that need to come down now, some in 6 months and some can be chained to prolong. Mayor Pruett said if it is a safety concern, we should do it right away.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Edens to approve a \$4,000 expenditure to take care of the issues at Anthony Park. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Klahn to hire the lowest cost contractor to remove the two trees in Peck Park considered to be of a safety concern, to be paid from the Public Works budget. On roll call – all Ayes.

Kida obtained a proposal from MSA Professional Services for platting Rosehill Cemetery; it was the only proposal at \$6,700. The proposal covers re-platting a sandy area currently platted for full burials and converting it to a cremation garden to maximized space and extend the life of the cemetery. It also covers platting the portion on the south end of 4th Avenue which will require some tree removal. This replats, maps out and organizes.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to approve the \$6,700 proposal from MSA Professional Services. On roll call – all Ayes.

Moved by Councilman Klahn, second by Councilman Weller to approve Lease Agreement with ImOn Communications for a telecommunications structure at 610 7th Avenue. On roll call – all Ayes.

The Development Agreement with Rock Creek Solar, LLC for Utility Scale Solar project was tabled because it is now quite ready.

Chief Schutte presented the June 2024 Fire Department report and Chief Schmitz presented the June 2024 Police Department report.

Councilman Bowman reported that the Emergency Management Commission will no longer be supporting the sirens, so he is asking Chance Kness to attend our next meeting to speak on this topic. He also encouraged residents to get their water meter change out scheduled, it is an easy process and the installers do an excellent job, going over and above in some cases. Public Works Director Pewe reported the 9th Street lift station alarms did not go off due to a telecommunication issue. Repairs to the lift station were started today and he will report at the next meeting. The 7th Avenue sewer collapse will be repaired after the flood level goes down. The meter install project is going well; we are getting weekly reports from Ferguson. Chief Schutte reminded everyone of the Pancake Breakfast on July 28th from 6 a.m. until Noon. He also said that Assistant Chief Jeff Moore received the American Legion Fire Fighter of the year. Library Director Grim gave a Power Point presentation of patronage statistics. She said they are going the wrong way and she is looking at why circulation stats are dropping and looking at adding different programs. She showed Summer Reading Program statistics and pictures. She also gave a presentation of this month's Thank Yous.

Public Comments: Gary Hill 620 3rd Street said all he has heard is you need a concrete median. That's not true. It's right on the DOT website. He also things since City Hall moved here, that side of town has been forgotten about. Mayor Pruett said we do have a Street Improvement Plan. Kida said he will provide a copy of the plan with highlights of the work that has been done since the move.

A brief recess was taken at 7:46 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:54 p.m. for a Goal Setting session. Kida sent out a form to Council previously and also to Department Heads today for input. During the session, all attendees shared their thoughts of major accomplishments thus far, issues and concerns, programs and initiatives and capital projects. As ideas were shared, Kida kept a running list of Council and staff ideas. He will compile everything and send out the compilation to everyone. Another workshop will be scheduled to further discuss and refine the goals.

Being no further business, Mayor Pruett adjourned the meeting at 9:16 pm.

Austin Pruett
Mayor

Toni L. Schneider
City Clerk/Treasurer