

City of Camanche
January 7, 2025

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session January 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Austin Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Edens, Farrell (online), Klahn and Weller. City Administrator Andrew Kida, and Department Heads Grim, Pewe, Schmitz, Schutte and Schneider.

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

Visitor Katie Whittington, Republican Nominee for Iowa Senate introduced herself to the Council. She is from Clinton and was born in Iowa but is not too familiar with the Camanche City Council meetings. She is running for the District 35 Senate seat in the January 28, 2025 special election.

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

Moved by Councilman Edens, second by Councilman Bowman to approve the Consent Agenda which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on December 17, 2024; approve Abstract No. 863 which includes the following:

ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	2,246.51
CAMANCHE VOL FIRE DEPT	MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	500.00
CLINTON PRINTING COMPANY	WINTER 24 NEWSLETTER,AP/PR CKS	895.00
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	26,983.44
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	BROWN GOODS-LANDFILL	75.00
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	LEGAL FEES-WATER METER FUNDING	8,500.00
DAN'S OVERHEAD DOORS	O/H DOOR REPAIRS-PUBLIC WORKS	107.88
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	CHRISTMAS DECO-PARKS;PW SUPPL	566.37
IOWA ONE CALL	60 ONE CALL LOCATES	54.00
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS/DVDS	37.75
VOYA	457 PLAN DEDUCT	2,324.00
IPERS	IPERS	10,202.74
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	375.02G PD;50.014G CEM;40.44G FD	2,395.08
	325.927G PWORKS;57.828G AMBUL	
ELECTRONICS INC	ALARM SERVICE-LIBRARY,CITYHALL	60.00
MASTERCARD	INT'L CODE COUNCIL-BLDG INSP	82.50
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	606.95
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER-CLIN	NOV 24 PHARMACEUTICALS-AMBUL	33.00
MICROMARKETING LLC	BOOKS/DVDS	466.73
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	3,565.64
ACCESS SYSTEMS	CITY HALL COPIER LEASE+BW COPIES	319.62
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	28,881.48
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	WINTER BLADE-SNOW PLOWS	163.33
PRESTO-X-COMPANY	PEST CTRL-CCTR,LIB,CHALL,HISTBLDG	224.78
LIFE INSURANCE	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	1,280.13
QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES-CHALL,PW,WATER	123.24

SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG-SPLASH PAD,WELLS,MTGS,EXPS	76,368.17
AUDITOR OF STATE	AUDIT FILING FEE 42-6004317	625.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE WITHHOLDING TAXES	5,563.01
USA BLUEBOOK	SIGNAL WIRE-WATER METER PROJ	239.54
US CELLULAR	PD CELL PHONES	94.70
WINKEL PARKER & FOSTER	FINAL BILLING-FY24 AUDIT	13,295.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE/LONG DISTANCE	1,758.75
CHRISTY SCHUTTE	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	84.52
PREMIER PARTS INC	STEERING STABILIZER-PW P/U	72.99
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	1,184.23
CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	SERVICE CALL-WWTP GENERATOR	526.81
UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERV	COLLECTIONS-LIBRARY	11.65
YWCA	YWCA EMPOWERMENT CENTER	1,375.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	22,215.28
AFLAC	AFLAC - PRETAX	465.00
CONTINUOUS TOUCH, LLC	SIP TRUNKING	164.91
J.P. COOKE COMPANY	DOG/CAT TAGS 2025	189.95
SPARKLEAN	DEC 24 CLEAN-CHALL,PD,CCTR,PW	1,430.00
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES+CITY BENEFIT	67,845.00
VESTIS	RUGS,TOWELS-PW,CH;UNIF-PEWE	72.76
EASTERN IA COMM COLLEGE	BLS 2926 D SCHUTTE	138.00
SPARKS SMALL ENGINE	PARTS FOR CHAINSAWS	140.97
SERVPRO	NUISANCE PROP CLEANUP-CK REISS	2,698.62
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	WEEKLY CLAIMS	393.36
KELLY HEATING & AIR COND	OVERHEAD HEATER REPAIR-FD	503.97
ALTORFER, INC.	GENERATOR RENTAL-WELL #5	5,047.00
PCC AMBULANCE BILLING SER	NOV 24 AMBULANCE BILLING	1,018.60
BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	22.80
LIBERTY NATIONAL	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	266.72
CLINTON REG WATER RECL	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	18.00
VISA	CHIEF'S CONF-FL;EMS, WATER TRNG; CITY WEBSITE;LIBRARY SUPPLIES	2,678.72
KANOPY, INC.	VIDEO BOOKS-LIBRARY	11.00
FIREPENNY FIREFIGHTER EQ	BRASS SWING-OUT VALVE-FIREDEPT	215.95
T-MOBILE	POLICE DEPARTMENT CELL PHONES	313.20
CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE	LIBRARY-PRIZES,READING INCENT	327.26
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 12/20/2024	50,582.60
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/01/2025	6,460.69
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/03/2025	57,084.77
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/06/2025	2,410.67
	CLAIMS TOTAL	438,610.34
	GENERAL FUND	265,690.45
	LIBRARY FUND	15,247.22
	PARKS FUND	3,961.58
	CEMETERY FUND	1,300.46
	ROAD USE FUND	16,085.54
	PFAS FUND	17,703.90

SPLASH PAD PROJECT FUND	49,978.75
WELL 7 FUND	1,605.30
WELL 8 FUND	378.80
WATER UTILITY FUND	27,947.05
SEWER UTILITY FUND	37,181.67
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	1,529.62

Approve hiring of Winkel, Parker & Foster to perform FY2025 audit; Approve renewal of Class B Retail Alcohol License, with Ownership changes, as submitted by Dolgencorp, LLC, dba Dollar General #6551 effective 03/01/2025. On roll call – all Ayes.

Mayor Pruett read a Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for Rezoning a Portion of Land Currently Zoned R-1 to B-2 for February 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Adopt a Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for Rezoning a Portion of Land Currently Zoned R-1 to B-2. On roll call – all Ayes.

Chief Schutte presented the December 2024 Camanche Fire Department report. Councilman Weller asked if there have been any permits or work put on hold for any reason. Chief Schutte said no. Kida said he has received good feedback from his City Administrator grapevine for putting permits on hold. He will add a status of “on hold” or “permit pulled” to Mobile 311 to enable more detail for the monthly report.

City Administrator Kida tipped his cap to Billing Clerk Christy Schutte for all the work she has done getting the new water meter billing system set up. He just heard her working with a resident to identify excessive usage as it began to happen using the new meter software. She has done a great job getting this up and running. Councilman Edens had a resident contact him about the speed on Dunn road, ever since the roundabout opened and asked Chief Schmitz about this. Kida asked if we could put a speed sign out there for a while. Edens also told Public Works Director Pewe a box culvert is sloughing off due to a new house being built. Pewe will check on that. Pewe reported there was a water main leak on 9th Avenue that was repaired in a day and a half. He said there are 23 meters left to install and they are waiting on delivery. They will have confined space training on 1/17/25. He wants a new small utility tractor and needs a new truck. Library Director Grim has an opening for a Children’s Librarian, 30 hours per week.

Mayor Pruett asked for Public Comments. There were none.

Mayor Pruett asked Council for requests for placement of matters on future agendas. There were none.

At 6:16 p.m. the first Budget Work Session began with Chief Schutte presenting the Fire Department, Ambulance and Building Inspector budget proposals. He updated the Council on the balances of the Fire Department and Ambulance capital funds and detailed his best estimate of the 15-year equipment replacement needs of his departments. He noted that he added an additional \$30,000 to the salary line in the Fire Department for a job shadowing period for a good transition when he retires. There are no major changes for the Ambulance or Building Inspector budgets.

Kida led the rest of the Work Session which addressed the Revenue projections. Most notable will be the loss of revenue due to the State legislative actions in HF718, reducing the amount of money cities will receive in property taxes, notably the Commercial/Industrial Property Tax Replacement Rollback. The loss of revenue created by these actions will likely require Council to decide on raising the levy, raising the price of services or making cuts. He covered the proprietary fund revenues, recommending a minimum blanket 3% increase in those areas.

There will be additional Budget Work Sessions at future meetings.

Mayor Pruett adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Austin Pruett
Mayor

Toni L. Schneider
City Clerk/Treasurer