

City of Camanche
February 18, 2025

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session February 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Austin Pruett presiding, and Council members Bowman, Edens, Farrell, Klahn and Weller. Also present were City Attorneys Current, Frey and 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 Weller, second by Councilman Bowman to approve the Agenda, as amended to add visitor Superintendent Schaffer. On roll call – all Ayes.

Police Chief Richard Schmitz, Jr. was presented with a plaque recognizing him for 20 years of service with the City of Camanche Police Department. Mayor Pruett thanked him for his dedicated service.

Camanche Schools Superintendent Justin Schaffer provided information materials for all in attendance and addressed the Council regarding the March 4, 2025 special election and explained the VPPEL, or Voted Physical Plant and Equipment Levy. These funds are used for technology for students and staff, student transportation, classroom furnishings, building and playground equipment and maintenance as well as many other things. The VPPEL must be voted on every 10 years and, if approved, will just renew the current VPPEL and not increase the current levy. This also renews the Revenue Purpose Statement for the one cent sales tax which now sunsets in 2051. Committee members Stacy Kinkaid, Kathy Klahn and Steve Clements were also in attendance and introduced as resources to answer questions about the VPPEL renewal.

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

Moved by Councilman Klahn, second by Councilman Bowman to approve the Consent Agenda which covered the following: Approve minutes from the Council meeting held on February 4, 2025; approve Abstract No. 866 which includes the following:

CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	403.45
CLINTON PRINTING COMPANY	BUSINESS CARDS-SERGEANT PARKS	30.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX WITHHOLDING	12,775.62
CULLIGAN	WATER, DISP RENT-CITY HALL	38.20
DEMCO INC	BOOK TAPE-LIBRARY	178.98
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHT-9TH ST;ANAMOSA RD	107.22
HARTZ LOCK COMPANY	KEYS-PUBLIC WORKS SHOP	22.90
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	PARTS-WELL #5	32.45
IA ASSOC PROF FIRE CHIEFS	MEMBERSHIP-CHIEF SCHUTTE	100.00
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT	ILEA-OFFICER DAVISON	5,225.00
VOYA	457 PLAN DEDUCT	1,162.00
J & C ENTERPRISES	JAN 25 COLLECTION	95.68

KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	349.986 G PWORKS;89.753 G SNOW 40.771G FD;291.66G PD;35.055G AMB	2,304.84
LECTRONICS INC	ALARM SERVICE-LIBRARY,CITYHALL	60.00
MAGUIRE IRON INC	3RD ST WATER TOWER MAINTENANCE	2,250.00
MCMANUS CONSTRUCTION SERV	GRAVE-HOWARD;MOVE CONCR SLAB	650.00
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	605.86
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	2,671.50
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSION	12,099.93
GREG NELSON	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	SAMPLE ANALYSIS-X2 BOIL ORDER	325.00
QUILL CORPORATION	COPY PAPER-CITY HALL	33.74
MAQUEEN	ANNUAL FLOW TESTS-FIRE DEPT	2,300.00
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG-WELLS 5, 7, 8	8,399.99
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	JAN 25 SALES,WATER EXCISE TAX	3,007.78
UNIFORM DEN	UNIFORMS-OFFICER DAVISON	371.24
HAWKINS INC	120 GAL AZONE, 60 GAL LPC	2,235.95
BRIAN WERNICK	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
EDENS CONSTRUCTION	TRAIN DEPOT-INSULATION,AC DUCT	1,500.00
JORDAN MOORE	JAN 25 PAID ON CALL	120.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	AIR DRYER ASSY,VALVE-#6 DUMP TRCK	684.62
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	419.16
BIBLIONIX	SUBSCRIPTION DATABASES	1,870.00
CLINTON CO IT DEPARTMENT	ZUERCHER ANNUAL MAINT3/25-3/26	6,137.31
ERIC DAU	JAN 25 PAID ON CALL	420.00
PLATINUM SMART INC.	DATA BACKUPS-MAR 2025	400.00
AMAZON	BINOCULARS,LIBRARY PROG SUPPLIES	1,005.20
CASEY'S GENERAL STORES	JANUARY 25 FUEL EXPENSE	53.11
FREY, HAUFE & CURRENT PLC	LEGAL SERVICES-JAN 25	2,119.85
SPARKLEAN	JAN 25 CLEANING-CHALL;PD;CCTR;PW	1,022.00
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	ONLINE WARRANTS JAN-MAR 2025	300.00
HSA ACCOUNTS	HSA- EMPLOYEES	1,180.00
VESTIS	RUGS,TOWELS-PW,CH;UNIF-PEWE	109.35
PLATINUM INFORMATION SERV	IT SUPPORT,NETWORKMON,SPAM FLT	2,326.00
DANNY WELLER	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	60.00
REPUBLIC SERVICES	JAN 25 CITY COLLECTION	32,264.50
FBI-LEEDA	SGT PARKS SLI CLINTON 3/2025	795.00
KIESLER POLICE SUPPLY	2 OPTIC SIGHTS	108.00
GENESIS OCC HEALTH	MEDICAL DIRECTOR SERVICES	156.25
CORY SNODGRASS	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
DUANE J WIESE	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
CHRISTIAN MARSH	JAN 25 PAID ON CALL	100.00
JESSIE BAUGHMAN	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	12.00
MITCHELL JAHNS	FIRE EMS INSTRUCTOR TRAINING	82.61
JENNIFER BIELEMA	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	84.00

JEFFREY HACKNEY	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	24.00
TODD POWERS	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
THOMAS FRANKLIN	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	84.00
QUAD CITIES WINWATER	WATER MAIN REPAIR CLAMPS	767.03
MICHAEL BURMAHL	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	72.00
TONY BLOMME	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	60.00
PLATINUM LEASING SERVICES	FEB 2025 LEASE PAYMENT	475.00
MIDWEST GROUP BENEFITS	WEEKLY CLAIMS;MONTHLY SVC FEE	209.92
JACOB VANZUIDEN	WELLNESS REIMBURSEMENT	162.64
KYLE DEWITT	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	72.00
RILEY SOWLE	JAN 25 PAID ON CALL	120.00
TEMP ASSOCIATES-IOWA, INC	LIBRARY-FINN THRU 2/2/25	366.85
HAROLD TEAGARDEN	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	36.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC.	CYLINDER RENTAL	12.40
DOWNTOWN AUTO CLINIC	REPAIR FD 2016 CHEVY SILVERADO	123.90
COAST TO COAST SOLUTIONS	LIBRARY-1000 LOLLIPOPS-CHILDREN	270.72
RIVERSTONE GROUP, INC	2.11 TONS COLD PATCH-STREETS	316.50
ALTORFER, INC.	GENERATOR RENTAL-WELL #5	5,047.00
PCC AMBULANCE BILLING SER	JAN 25 AMBULANCE BILLING	1,331.39
BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	AMBULANCE SUPPLIES	268.14
ARIAN STOWE	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	15.00
JOE SNODGRASS	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	30.00
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	WATER METER PROJECT	58,201.87
SAM HAGENSON	JAN 25 AMBULANCE STIPEND	60.00
KANOPY, INC.	VIDEO BOOKS-LIBRARY	14.00
T-MOBILE	POLICE DEPARTMENT CELL PHONES	313.20
CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE	RULERS-PRESIDENT'S DAY PRIZES	125.55
DEPOSIT REFUND	REFUND DATE 02/13/2025	102.83
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 02/14/2025	53,774.48
	CLAIMS TOTAL	233,380.71
	GENERAL FUND	92,322.96
	LIBRARY FUND	7,809.71
	PARKS FUND	1,296.69
	CEMETERY FUND	1,084.50
	ROAD USE FUND	9,057.22
	PFAS FUND	7,168.80
	TRAIN DEPOT PROJECT FUND	1,500.00
	SPLASH PAD PROJECT FUND	1,348.68
	WELL 7 FUND	3,199.50
	WELL 8 FUND	345.80
	WATER UTILITY FUND	72,510.89
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	2,880.44
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	32,855.52

Accept City Clerk/Treasurer's January 2025 Report including Revenues: General Fund \$174,883.01, Library Fund \$22,167.15, Parks \$6,564.75, Cemetery \$6,361.25, Road Use \$54,300.73, Employee Benefit \$1,084.90, Police & Fire Pension \$2,105.99, P.C. & R. Howson Trust \$3.82, Debt Service \$4,629.61, Water Utility Fund \$46,953.11, Sewer Utility Fund \$69,450.72, Landfill/Garbage \$47,966.54; Approve LMI Payment to Toni L. Howes in the amount of \$7,292.70; Approve BWC invoice #11678 for water main break repair at 15th Avenue and Anthony Place \$4,616.42; Receive, accept and place on file draft minutes from the February 11, 2025 meeting of the Historical Board; Authorize City Clerk to pay Ferguson Invoices received through January 31, 2025 for Water Meter Project \$10,945.46; Adopt a Resolution Amending the Delinquent Sewer/Solid Waste Lien for 406 12th Avenue, Camanche, Iowa; Adopt a Resolution Amending the Delinquent Sewer/Solid Waste Lien for 410 12th Avenue, Camanche, Iowa. On roll call, all Ayes.

Under Unfinished Business, Mayor Pruettt read the Second Reading of Ordinance 804 Amending Title 18.12, Districts and Boundaries, of the Camanche Municipal Code to Rezone A 12.75 Parcel of Ground Owned by Dick Ryan AKA Camanche Cooperative Parcel ID 1019201000 from R-1 Residential to B-2 Highway Outlaying Commercial Zoning Upon the Acceptance of the Final Plat of the Proposed Subdivision of the Land. The City Attorneys noted a necessary amendment to section 3; the addition of "as described in the legal description in Addendum A".

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Approve the Second Reading, as amended, of Ordinance 804 Amending Title 18.12, Districts and Boundaries, of the Camanche Municipal Code to Rezone A 12.75 Parcel of Ground Owned by Dick Ryan AKA Camanche Cooperative Parcel ID 1019201000 from R-1 Residential to B-2 Highway Outlaying Commercial Zoning Upon the Acceptance of the Final Plat of the Proposed Subdivision of the Land. On roll call – Ayes – Councilmen Weller, Farrell, Klahn, Bowman, Edens. Nays – None.

Councilman Klahn expressed his opinion that waiving the Third Reading of the Ordinance had been voted on once.

Moved by Councilman Weller, second by Councilman Bowman to Waive the Third Reading of Ordinance 804 Amending Title 18.12, Districts and Boundaries, of the Camanche Municipal Code to Rezone A 12.75 Parcel of Ground Owned by Dick Ryan AKA Camanche Cooperative Parcel ID 1019201000 from R-1 Residential to B-2 Highway Outlaying Commercial Zoning Upon the Acceptance of the Final Plat of the Proposed Subdivision of the Land. On roll call – Ayes – Councilmen Bowman, Edens, Farrell, Weller. Nay – Councilman Klahn.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Adopt Ordinance 804, as amended, Amending Title 18.12, Districts and Boundaries, of the Camanche Municipal Code to Rezone A 12.75 Parcel of Ground Owned by Dick Ryan AKA Camanche Cooperative Parcel ID 1019201000 from R-1 Residential to B-2 Highway Outlaying Commercial Zoning Upon the Acceptance of the Final Plat of the Proposed Subdivision of the Land. On roll call – Ayes – Councilmen Bowman, Klahn, Edens, Farrell, Weller. Nays – None.

City Administrator Kida explained the Resolution Establishing Pedestrian Safety as Priority Projects for the City of Camanche is a requirement to put in for the RCTP Grant for flashing crosswalk signs at school and park crossings. Included in the Resolution are details of street safety projects in the City for the next three years. Mayor Pruett read the Resolution.

Moved by Councilman Bowman, second by Councilman Weller to Adopt a Resolution Establishing Pedestrian Safety as Priority Projects for the City of Camanche. On roll call – all Ayes.

A Resolution Establishing a Date and Time for Property Tax Hearing was tabled.

A Police Department Field Training Presentation was tabled.

Chief Schutte presented the Camanche Fire Department January 2025 Report.

Chief Schmitz presented the Camanche Police Department January 2025 Report.

Mayor Pruett called for Public Comments. Gary Hill 624 3rd Street commented about the Library expansion presentation from the last Council meeting. You were saying that's not going to have an impact as far as tax-wise goes. Where is the money going to come from for the upkeep of the new Library, the maintenance of this new Library. If you make the Library bigger, are you going to hire more people? Where's the utilities and all the extra expenses going to come from? And also it says its going to be on budget. Nothing's on budget. As far as the efficiency goes, you're not building an efficient building when probably 80% of it is windows. You compared it to the Library in DeWitt and Bettendorf. You're not comparing apples to apples. You say that you need more meeting rooms, what are you going to do with the other one? You're not going to be renting it out and bringing the income in. They are all going to be at the Library and you're going to have a community center sitting empty so where's the money going to come from for all the extra expenses. That's all I got to say.

There were no requests from Councilmembers for items for future Agendas.

A brief recess was taken at 6:28 p.m.

The fourth FY2026 Budget Workshop began at 6:36 p.m. with City Administrator Kida showing the state budget worksheet. He briefly talked about Public Works and how he brought a portion of the Public Works Director salary over to the Streets, Water and Sewer departments. He showed where benefit expenses for retired Chief Reid and the Building Inspector have been moved to the benefit section of the worksheet. When added together, the total levy will be \$13.10 if no additional changes are made. Kida pointed out that this is very close to what was projected in the Capital Improvement Plan. Councilman Bowman brought up storm water utility and the possibility of a levy for it because he does not want it to get dropped. Kida said we can add it to the \$8.10 levy and move more employee benefits to the benefit section.

There was discussion about the Parks budget and whether to authorize the additional \$40,000 they have requested for including bathrooms at the splash pad. They do have the money saved to pay for bathrooms. Councilman Farrell, Parks Liaison, would like to see them obtain more information and have more of a plan before a final decision is made. Mayor Pruettt has a hard time with the authorization of the extra spending when they have not taken the time to present their budget to the Council. Councilman Klahn again brought up the need for money in the Park budget to run the splash pad, saying things are going to break. Kida recommended a compromise; do not authorize the bathrooms now. If they want this addition, ask them to come back and make the request since they have the cash saved. Councilman Bowman likes that idea.

It was decided to send the \$13.10 levy to the Treasurer's Office as the maximum we would set. The current levy is \$12.45. We can leave it there or reduce it. There can be further discussion regarding proprietary funds that will not affect the levy. LMI funds were also discussed briefly.

Mayor Pruettt adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Austin Pruettt
Mayor

Toni L. Schneider
City Clerk/Treasurer