

**Calmar City Council
Regular Meeting
September 2, 2008**

Prior to the meeting Mayor McCasland stated that he had attended a Northeast Iowa Resource Conservation and Development meeting in Postville recently. They were involved in the grant writing process for the Prairie Farmer Trail and getting the trail to Lake Meyer plus many other projects in the northeast Iowa area. He also attended a Lake Meyer Watershed Meeting. The Mayor also stated that he felt the Anniversary party for the Calmar Pool was a success and that the adults and children all had a great time.

Mayor McCasland called the regular meeting of the Calmar City Council to order at 7:04 P.M. on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 at the Calmar Fire Station meeting room. Present were: Meyer, Phillips and Anderson. Huinker and Zweibahmer were absent.

Motion by Phillips, second by Anderson to approve the consent agenda with the change in the minutes of August 2008 that 50 chairs not 5 were donated by the funeral home to the Calmar Lion's. Aye: Meyer, Phillips, Anderson. Motion carried.

Claims August 2008			Mid-America		
A & J Petersburg	premium	1252.00	Research	photo blue	149.38
Acco	chemicals	827.62	Mc Myers Cox	concessions	216.86
Alliant Energy	electricity	6838.14	Municipal Supply	marking paint	316.23
Aquila	gas	2904.86	Nicole Ondrashek	reimburse	23.90
Aramark	uniform	116.48	Norby's Farm Fleet	supplies	395.61
Aidop Editions	audio books	376.79	N.Central Ia		
Bever Creek			Inspections	inspection fees	288.00
Graphics	tshirts birthday party	229.00	NE Iowa Tree	LLC grind stump	100.00
Book Look	books	40.97	Pepsi	concessions	230.70
Buchheit Appliance	vacuum bags	6.00	Postmaster	postage water bills	121.00
Bunn Services	clean storm drains	450.00	Postville Vet Clinic	ship samples	41.25
Calmar Courier	publishing	78.85	Presto	pest control	36.00
Calmar Motors	change oil	22.00	Qwest	telephone	443.84
Center Point Lg.			Rite Price Office	supplies	444.20
Print	book	38.94	Ronald Werner	insurance	629.25
City of Ossian	no smoking signs	75.93	Sherwin Williams	blue paint	182.88
Croell Redi Mix	concrete	862.25	Sierra	magazine	12.00
Crystal Canyon	water	10.68	Sim's	cell phone	19.99
Culligan	soft water	33.97	Steve Falck Const	concrete	140.00
David Gehling	dj	135.00	Tekippe Engineering	jefferson main	913.50
Decorah Impl	pulley	39.65	Thompson Gale	books	93.48
Decorah			Treasurer State IA	taxes	770.04
Newspapers	add pool party	33.30	Upstart	books	60.75
	bearing, piston kit,		US Cellular	telephone	316.27
Don's Truck Sales	cylinder	137.69	Walmart	supplies	393.40
Farmers Co-Op	explorer	929.31	Wellmark	premium	2552.58
Galls	supplies	69.98	Windridge	case parts	27.78
Gene's Electric	outlet	107.36	Payroll	August	18625.39
Grassmasters	bike trail misc	335.00	Total		68092.11
Greenwood			Claims by Fund		
Publishing	book	46.56	General		48815.90
Heying Lumber	mortar	274.87	Road use		3211.12
Hygenic Laboratory	water test	22.00	Benefits		2537.05
Infobase Publishing	reference books	139.53	Water		6446.97
Ingram	books	390.34	Sewer		7081.07
IRS	tax	5392.84	Total		68092.11
Iowa Codification	update code	200.00	Revenue by fund		
IDNR	permit fees	210.00	General		14015.81
Iowa One Call	services	20.70	Road Use		7250.13
Iowa Prison			Benefits		248.77
Industries	signs	91.10	Emergency		30.22
Ipers	ipers	2317.80	lost		7707.71
Iroc Web Design	support	25.00	TIF		473.17
Jane Bullock	book	17.50	Water		7360.74
Junior Boyer	insurance	573.50	Sewer		21032.40
Keystone Labs	testing	443.64	Total		58118.95
Kwik Star	fuel	1542.18			
Linda Crossland	postabe	2.12			
Malcom Enterprises	garbage	12886.38			

Motion by Phillips, second by Meyer to approve the liquor license for Whiskey Grove. Aye: Anderson, Phillips and Meyer. Motion carried.

The Highway repair due to the Jefferson Street project and water line break was discussed. Motion by Meyer, second by Anderson to approve the Contract Change Order to repair the highway. Aye: Anderson, Phillips, Meyer. Motion carried.

Bob Penrod updated the council on the status of the GIS system. He said that approximately 30% of the manholes, valve boxes and curb stops have been mapped.

The Fire Department report was reviewed and accepted as presented. It was noted that the department received a Gaming grant for boots and a matching grant from Alliant Energy for \$ 3500.00 to go towards 2 new SCBA's. They are holding a fundraising breakfast on September 6th.

The Police Department report was discussed and accepted. It was noted that Chief Werner has resigned effective August 29th. Ads have been placed and applications are being accepted for a police officer. Testing is scheduled for October 4th.

The street department report was reviewed and accepted. A discussion was held regarding repair of curbs and the fact that this is not addressed in the city code. Motion by Phillips, second by Anderson to check into this further with the engineer and city attorney and to address again at a future meeting. Aye: Meyer, Anderson & Phillips. Motion carried. The issue of cigarette butts on streets and sidewalks was discussed. A letter will be sent by the clerk to bar owners. A pipe has been installed to drain the water to the storm drain along the tracks where the triangle parking is for the trail. There will be no truck parking in this area after the asphalt is installed. The possibility of composting was discussed.

The water/wastewater report was discussed and accepted. Bob reported that the new water regulations might require us to do more than just to chlorinate and then de-chlorinate. We may be required to also do an ultraviolet treatment. Bob reported he will be attending a meeting in Manchester in October and will get more information at that time.

Mayor McCasland discussed the progress of the bike trail. Junior Boyer stated there will be a curb put in along the tracks to keep people from parking to close. Rail access for Bushman Organic was discussed. The clerk will check with the city attorney regarding lease options.

Motion by Meyer, second by Phillips to approve Ordinance # 336 amending provisions pertaining to delinquent utility accounts. Aye: Meyer, Phillips and Anderson. Motion carried. Motion by Meyer, second by Phillips to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance # 336. Aye: Meyer, Phillips and Anderson. Motion carried.

Mayor McCasland declared the meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd
City Clerk

Joe McCasland
Mayor