

**CALMAR CITY COUNCIL -- REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 7, 2011 @ 7:00 P.M. Calmar Fire Station**

There were no comments prior to the meeting.

Mayor McCasland called the regular meeting of the Calmar City Council to order at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, March 7, 2011 at the a Calmar Fire Station. Present were: Kleve, Huinker, Phillips and Anderson. Meyer was absent.

Mayor McCasland indicated it was the time and place for the Public Hearing on the 2011-2012 Budget. Motion by Phillips, second by Anderson to open the public hearing on the 2011-2012 budget. The clerk indicated there had been no oral or written comments received. Anderson inquired why the tif amount was less on the proposed budget. The clerk stated that we had received more money than we asked for the last few years and this was the year to even out the figures. Motion by Phillips, second by Huinker to close the hearing at 7:04 P.M. Aye: Anderson, Phillips, Kleve and Huinker. Motion by Kleve, second by Phillips to approve Resolution # 460 approving the 2011-2012 budget. Aye: Phillips, Anderson, Kleve and Huinker.

Mayor McCasland indicated it was the time and place for the Public Hearing to amend the Calmar Zoning Ordinance to rezone 106 W. Henry Street from R-1 to C-1. Motion by Anderson, second by Kleve to open the public hearing to amend the Calmar Zoning Ordinance at 7:05 P.M. Aye: Anderson, Kleve, Phillips and Huinker. There were no written or oral comments regarding this proposal. The mayor stated this was the former Richard Winter property now owned by Kwik Star. Motion by Anderson, second by Huinker to close the public hearing at 7:06 P.M. Aye: Anderson, Kleve, Huinker and Phillips. Motion by Anderson, second by Kleve to approve Ordinance # 349 Rezoning the property at 106 W. Henry Street from R-1 residential to C-1 commercial and to waive the second and third readings of the ordinance. Aye: Kleve, Huinker, Anderson and Phillips.

The clerk answered questions on claims for February. Motion by Anderson, second by Huinker to approve the consent agenda (agenda, minutes of February 7, 2011 meeting, clerk/treasurer reports and claims for February 2011) Aye: Huinker, Kleve, Anderson and Phillips.

Claims Feb			Mississippi Weld	batteries	176.95
Alliant Energy	electricity	7085.46	Nancy Terpestra	books	84.00
American Water	regist Manchester mtg for 2	30.00	OMB Supply	boots	112.98
Aramark	uniform	73.20	Oriental Trading	story hour supplies	53.92
Audio Editions	books on cd	115.37	Postmaster	mail water bills	140.00
Barnes & Noble	books	85.38	Postville Vet Cliini	ship samples	57.25
Black Hills Energ	gas bills	1677.26	Qwest	phone	706.92
Bruening Rock	type k copper	250.00	Richard Zahasky	legal regarding incident	1048.44
Calmar Courier	publishing	178.40	Royal Pub	add wrestling program	55.00
Center Pt. Lg. Pn	lp books	82.68	Sam's Club	membership	35.00
Commerative Pu	2010 olympics book	59.95	Sunset Law Enf	ammo	341.47
Crystal Canyon	water cups	10.92	Treas St. IA	taxes	641.00
Decorah Elec	siren	427.82	Upstart	summer reading program	204.20
Delta Dental	reimb plan	87.00	US Cellular	phone	222.01
Demco	supplies	192.20	Walmart	dvd	489.61
Farm Plan	supplies	158.94	Wellmark	premium	5441.93
Farmers Union	fuel explorer	833.17	Wiltgen Const	repair water break maple	3017.88
Fastenal	blade	180.72	Winco Farm	road crew	114.00
Gunderson	drug test	48.30	Payroll	February	12700.88
Hach	fluoride, iron	70.23	Totals		52882.64
Hawkeye Truck	parts	18.00	Claims by fund		
Heying Lbr	supplies	20.34	General		27,513.26
Iamu	ceu's	10.00	Road Use		2,444.38
Ingram	books	291.51	Benefits		3,486.26
IRS	taxes	3792.87	Water		10,248.59
Iowa Narcotics	registrations 2011 Conferen	270.00	Sewer		9,190.15
Ipers	pension	2286.89	Total		52,882.64
Iroc Web Design	on site computer work	75.00	Revenue/fund		
Keystone Labs	testing	296.60	General		7,697.34
Kirkeby Welding	plow repair	183.10	Road Use		9,260.67
Klimesh Motors	explorer short	575.79	Benefits		260.23
Kwik Star	fuel	823.01	Emergency		31.12
Malcom Enter	garbage February	5935.16	Lost		7,383.09
Marv Smith Elec	supplies	208.28	Tif		12.76
Matt Bullerman	reimb radios & wadders	665.67	Water		12,248.00
Michele Elsbernd	Nitro PDF Profes reimb	139.98	Sewer		20,000.44
			Total		56,893.65

The city insurance for property, liability, work comp, etc. is up for renewal on April 1, 2011. Present were Mark Lovelace and Bonnie Humpal from A. & J. Petersburg Agency to present the quote from Continental Western. Mark stated he had also asked for quotes from EMC and Cornhuskers but Continental Western had the best coverage/price. He explained the work comp quote was \$ 12,028 and that our experience modification factor rose from .94 to 1.23 due to claims experience which raised the cost considerably. Tara Hoffert from Bushman Insurance presented the quote from ICAP for insurance and IMWCA for work comp. She explained that ICAP was an assurance pool rather than an insurance company. The quote from Continental Western excluding work comp was \$ 12,295 and ICAP was \$ 12,829. The cost difference was \$ 544.00. Motion by Anderson, second by Phillips to approve the quote from A & J Petersburg for insurance with our current company Continental western. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Kleve and Phillips.

The current garbage contract is up for renewal as of April 1, 2011. Present were Dan Christopher from Malcom Enterprises, Jeff Bunn from Bunn Services and Stanley Shimek from Shimek Sanitation. Mayor McCasland stated he had attended the waste management meeting and it was mentioned that a contractor was not keeping his bills paid at the landfill. He stated this was a concern to the City of Calmar. Motion by Anderson, second by Phillips to renew the contract with Malcom Enterprises with the same terms as the previous contract. Discussion followed and Kleve and Shimek questioned the members about taking the higher quote. Anderson stated we were happy with the service Malcom provided and he felt that Malcom had a straight forward way of doing business and that in this time of high fuel costs a fuel adjustment was straight forward. Jeff Bunn stated in his dealings with cities they disliked the fuel cost adjustment so he never included it in his quotes. After some discussion Anderson moved to rescind his previous motion, Phillips motioned to rescind his second to this motion. More discussion followed. Motion by Kleve to approve the contract with Bunn Services at \$ 10.95 per month. Motion died for lack of a second. Motion by Anderson, second by Phillips to approve a contract with Malcom Enterprises with the same terms as the previous contract. Aye: Huinker, Anderson and Phillips. Nay: Kleve. Motion carried. Motion by Anderson, second by Phillips to approve Resolution # 461 approving the garbage rates with Malcom Enterprises effective April 1, 2011. Aye: Phillips, Huinker and Anderson. Nay: Kleve. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding a request for a post-prom donation. Motion by Huinker, second by Anderson to approve ad donation in the amount of \$ 100.00. Aye: Kleve, Anderson, Phillips and Huinker.

The fire department report was reviewed and discussed. They will be having a Texas Holdum Tournament on March 26th and their annual dance on May 7th. Their two new members are now taking fire fighter 1 classes and Has mat school.

The police department report was discussed. Chief Ward stated that March will be a busy month due to an abundance of meetings and training. The city of Fort Atkinson is requesting a meeting do discuss shared law enforcement. All towns in the area were asked if they were interesting in meeting to discuss the issue. Meeting will be held on March 16th at 7:00 P.M. at the Fort Atkinson council chambers. Kleve and Huinker from the public safety committee and Chief Ward will attend.

The Street department report was discussed. Junior discussed the various lawn mowers considered (Simplicity, Grasshopper and John Deere). Motion by Phillips, second by Kleve to approve the purchase of the John Deere 26 HP with 52" mulching deck for \$5500.00. Aye: Huinker, Phillips, Huinker and Anderson. Boyer stated that he had been looking into a dump truck with plow/sander to replace the current red dump truck. Most dealers will be getting these in between now and July 1st. This is the time most cities update their equipment. Junior will contact the street committee to consider purchase options when a unit comes available. The lighting of the little league field was discussed. The Lions applied for a grant but this turned out not to be an option for this year. Council felt that they would like to get the lights operational and will proceed with the project without grant funding.

The water/wastewater report was discussed. Questions were answered regarding permit limits by City engineer George Tekippe and Matt Bullerman water/wastewater superintendent. Updating the water meter reading system was discussed. The current system is obsolete and parts are no longer available. Two quotes were received for a radio read system from Municipal Supply for a Sensus system and from Utility Equipment Company for the Hersey Hot Rod Data Log system. The differences in the system were discussed. It was stated we have to do something and it would make sense to update to the latest technology. Matt will request the Hot Rod salesman present a demonstration of his system at the April council meeting. The clerk felt that part could be paid this year and part next year out of the water and wastewater funds. Discussion was held regarding the GIS system and keeping our records updated.

Mayor McCasland mentioned the County Hazard Mitigation meeting on Wednesday in Decorah.

Small City Workshops are available to council members in Fayette on May 26th. Anderson and Phillips indicated interest in attending.

Mayor McCasland declared the meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

Joe McCasland, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk