

Calmar City Council September 2, 2014

There were no questions or comments from the public prior to the regular meeting.

Mayor Frana called the regular meeting of the Calmar City Council to order at 7:00 P.M., on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at the Calmar Fire Station. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: Kleve, Huinker, Schissel and Sabelka. Zweibahmer was absent.

Questions answered regarding the approval of the ABD license, a motion was made by Kleve, second by Schissel to approve the consent agenda (agenda, minutes of August 4, 2014, clerk/treasurer reports, claims for August 2014 and the ABD license for Whiskey Grove) Aye: Kleve, Sabelka, Schissel and Huinker. Motion carried.

CLAIMS REPORT					
Vendor	Reference	Amount			
ACCO	bal reno, chemicals	3977.67	McDonald Supply	tubing cutter	14.55
Acetech	internet	29.95	Micromarketing	books	89.83
Alliant	electric bill	10605.20	Mid-American Publis	publishing	199.10
ALA	17 flags	255.00	Municipal Supply	supplies	1425.65
Annie Rude	pit	105.93	Napa	supplies	140.54
Aramark	uniform	48.17	NE IA Tree	trees etc	995.00
Beaver Creek Graphics	reimbursable shirts	393.00	Oak Grove	pergola repair	176.00
Black Hills	gas	2378.90	Postmaster	water bills	151.49
Bodensteiner Impl	blower	1000.00	Postville Vet Clinic	ship samples	37.50
Booklist	renew subscriptions	147.50	Racom	bumper wrap	249.00
Bruenning Rock	rock/asphalt	59.21	Rite Price	copier contract	276.39
Calmar Motors	service	121.46	Schueth Hardware	popcorn oil	16.99
Carl Homstad Studio	mural library	2200.00	Sierra	magazine	12.00
Center Pt. Lg. Pnt	books	41.94	Sim's	supplies	102.99
Centurylink	phone	384.83	State Hygenic Lab	water test pool	49.00
City Laundry	supplies	99.94	Fehr Graham	water project	1885.00
City of Calmar	postage	26.22	Treas State IA	STATE TAXES	1027.00
Croell Redi Mix	sidewalk, storm drain	954.50	US CELLULAR	service	432.58
Decorah Elec	sewer plant computer	1025.02	Utility Equip	meters	1160.83
Delta Dental	dental ins reimb	148.00	Walmart Community	supplies	694.85
Drilling All Season	service & repairs	527.45	Wellmark	premium	3300.85
E. & M Farm	plywood drain	152.00	Wesley Kuboushek	50% concrete	193.79
Farmers Union	fuel roundup etc	801.48	Wiltgen Const	service & supplies	681.12
Grassmasters	culvert work	274.00	Winn Cty Engineer	posts and anchors	318.30
Hach	testing chemicals	821.06	Payroll August		22887.11
Heying Lbr	supplies	1393.49	Total		85414.87
Huber's Store	supplies	76.74	Expenses by fund		
Ingram	books	306.34	General		52197.35
IRS	taxes	6916.87	Road Use		2983.99
Iowa One Call	Monthly service	35.50	Benefits		5867.49
Iowa Prison Industries	signs	76.70	Water		12998.50
Ipers	ipers	3551.49	Sewer		11367.54
Iroc Web	computer work	202.50	Total		85414.87
John Deere Financial	supplies	304.75	Revenue by fund		
Keystone	testin	402.00	General		28655.67
Kirkeby Welding	repairs	230.00	Road Use		11094.33
Klimesh Motors	repair	50.56	Benefits		1867.22
Kwik Star	fuel	2183.78	Emergency		145.73
Lance Peters	reimburse spray	24.06	Lost		8198.95
Malcom	garbage serv	6319.18	Tif		3451.98
Marv Smith Elec	supplies	125.63	Debt Service		10119.00
Matt Bullerman	reimb & 50% concre	119.39	Water		12163.94
			Sewer		21817.61
			Total		97514.43

Mike Johnson representing the South Winneshiek Middle School spoke regarding possible community service projects for his 8th grade students. The goal is to promote volunteerism and encourage students to be civic minded. Possible projects could involve 5-10 hours of service in the communities where the students currently live. The city will identify possible age appropriate projects to be completed thru the spring of 2015.

Lori Brockway from Upper Explorerland spoke regarding the CDBG housing application. She stated that our project was not funded last year and that only 19 communities of the 54 applicants received funding. In order to improve chances of receiving a grant the city would need to include an environmental review, submission of an Administrative Plan, procurement for grant administration and completion of income approval for applicants within the target area. Motion by Huinker, second by Schissel to approve the grant writing agreement in the amount of \$ 750.00 for the Phase 1 target area for the CDBG Owner Occupied program for six homes. Aye: Schissel, Sabelka, Huinker and Kleve. Motion carried. Letters will be distributed to homeowners in the target area shortly.

Tara Bushman from Bushman Insurance was present to answer questions regarding the hail damage claims to city property.

Junior Boyer reported that the swimming pool was open thru Labor Day and is now being drained. He will be doing further research to see if some water should remain in the pool during the off season. He also has plans to replace some concrete in the deck area and under the shelter to the north of the pool fence.

There was no fire department report. Members did indicate they would be holding their annual soup supper and fire truck parade on October 5th in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week.

Police Chief Joe Ward presented his report. He reported repairs needed to the window motor and water pump in the Explorer. He also presented information regarding "body" cameras for the department. These cameras cost approximately \$ 300.00. Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to approve the purchase of two body cameras for the department. Aye: Schissel, Sabelka, Kleve and Huinker. Motion carried.

The street department report was presented. Repairs to various building damaged by the hail was discussed. The shelter roof at the pool will be replaced, various areas on the Depot building need repairs and the doors at the Fire Department need painting. Discussed was the possible replacement of three windows on the south side of the depot damaged by the hail. The Calmar signs were discussed. Plans are to complete lighting on the Hwy 24 sign and to proceed with the added design options for all four signs. The School Zone flasher lights were discussed. The DOT is requiring these lights be on a timer that can be programmed to flash from 7 am to 5 pm, Monday thru Friday when school is in session. The timers for both lights will be replaced to comply with DOT guidelines. Discussed was the possibility of an Open House at the newly renovated city shop building. Mary Welch will submit an article and an open house will be scheduled and publicized in the near future. A sign will also be added in the near future.

Matt Bullerman presented the water/wastewater report. He stated that his computer was outdated and requires excessive maintenance to operate properly. Motion by Sabelka, second by Huinker to purchase a new computer. Aye: Huinker, Sabelka, Schissel and Kleve. Motion carried. Matt stated there is a need to replace the computerized controllers at both the sewer and water plant as they are obsolete and parts are no longer available. Matt stated that the National Weather Service has installed their weather station near the water plant to measure rain and snow accumulations in Calmar. This data will be transmitted after each accumulation to the service in La Crosse. Annie Rude has volunteered to monitor the station and submit the data to the weather service.

George Tekippe sent an email stating that plans are progressing for the proposed new well. They are preparing the paperwork needed to submit a construction permit to the DNR. He stated that the bid letting could be yet this fall with well drilled over the winter months and the other on site work to be completed in the spring.

The Preliminary Draft of the Annual Exam completed by Hacker & Nelson was reviewed and recommendations taken under advisement.

Proposed Ordinance # 367 was discussed. Motion by Schissel, second by Huinker to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 367 regarding stop signs, yield signs and two hour parking zones and to waive the second and third readings. Aye: Huinker, Kleve, Sabelka and Schissel. Motion carried.

Ordinance #366 was presented for its third and final reading. This ordinance adds a Capital Improvement fee of \$ 5.00 per month for each water service in Calmar. Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to approve Ordinance # 366. Aye: Schissel, Sabelka, Huinker and Kleve. All aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance # 365 was presented for its third and final reading. This ordinance adds a Capital Improvement fee of \$ 5.00 per month for each sewer service in Calmar. Motion by Kleve, second by Huinker to approve Ordinance # 365. Aye: Sabelka, Kleve, Huinker and Schissel. All aye. Motion carried.

Chris Wiltgen was present to inform the council of upcoming Commercial Club events.

Motion by Schissel, second by Kleve to adjourn. Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Huinker and Sabelka. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Keith Frana, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk