

CITY OF CALMAR  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 3, 2011

Prior to the meeting Anne Rude gave a brief presentation on the 2011 pool season. She reported on the financial income and expenses for the year, staff training held and reported that a new law that will require our pool to be ADA compliant. She also stated that there is a need for some sun shelters at the facility. She will be researching and applying for grants for these needed items.

Mayor McCasland called the regular meeting of the Calmar City Council to order at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, October 3, 2011 at the Calmar Fire Station. Present were: Meyer, Phillips, Anderson, Huinker and Kleve. Other city staff present: Lance Peters, Matt Bullerman, Junior Boyer and Michele Elsbernd.

After clarification of several claims, a motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Kleve to approve the consent agenda (agenda, minutes of August 29, 2011, clerk/treasurer reports, claims and the native wine permit for Annie's Garden & Greens) Aye: Kleve, Huinker, Meyer, Anderson and Phillips.

**Claims September 2011**

Alliant	electricity	9078.68	Law Enf. Systems	citations/statement	136.00
Aramark	uniform	24.68	Linda Crossland	mileage	101.99
Barnes & Noble	books	115.90	Malcom	garbage fees Sept	6354.18
Black Hills Energy	gas	856.33	Marv Smith	supplies	52.10
Book Look	books	195.86	Micromarketing	books	46.74
Brian Zweibohmer	mileage	26.64	Mitchell Co. Inspecti	yearly inspection fees	288.00
Calmar Motors	alternator	317.80	Napa	mower filters	84.83
Center Pt. Lg. Pnt	books	41.34	NE IA Tree	tree and stump removal	450.00
Centurylink	telephone	423.30	OMB Supply	2 pair pants	102.97
Croell	concrete storm drain	582.50	Postmaster	postage water bills	133.38
Data Tech	user group mtg Oct 19	95.00	Postville Vet Clinic	ship samples	27.75
Dave Huinker	service	100.00	Rite Price	supplies	172.66
Decorah Elec	float switch and labor	1042.30	Sadler Power Train	spring assembly ford truck	510.68
Decorah Newspaper	subscription renewal	35.00	Sim's	cd changer local access	179.00
Decorah Rental	rental	75.30	State of IA	taxes	848.00
Decorah Tire	tires Explorer	610.34	Truck Country	block heater truck	75.75
Delta Dental	premium	87.00	Upstart	supplies	77.45
Drillings	mower belt and filter	107.12	US Cellular	phone	225.00
Ebsco	magzine subscription renewal	476.21	Utility Equip Co.	frame and grate	277.10
Ed Roehr Safety	taser	1548.28	Walmart	supplies	68.63
Farmers Union Co-o	fuel and service	1072.58	Wellmark	premium	5441.93
Grassmasters	work at ll field	582.00	Zarnouth Brush	air solenoid valve	325.00
Greg Barta	1/2 room Dubuque	51.52	Zip's	lens new truck	134.32
Hancor	pipe drainage ballfield	1108.87	Payroll		14841.00
Hawkins	chemicals	391.00	<b>Total</b>		<b>65286.53</b>
Heying Lbr.	misc supplies	48.32	<b>Claims by Fund</b>		
Howard's Tire	tire repair mower	29.00	General		35263.45
Huber's Store	concessions	19.04	Road Use		3358.72
Ingram	books	272.82	Benefits		4284.72
IRS	fed/fica	4614.74	Water		11319.08
Ia Dept. Revenue	sales tax	4081.00	Sewer		11060.56
Iowa One Call	monthly fee	32.10	<b>Total</b>		<b>65286.53</b>
Iowa Prison Ind	signs	152.35	<b>Revenue by fund</b>		
Iowa Workforce	quarterly unemployment	964.94	General		33882.89
Ipers	ipers	2992.48	Road Use		9109.63
Joe McCasland	bus fee and mileage	116.90	Benefits		8938.21
John Deere Financial	tag hydrants	167.87	Emergency		770.01
Junior Boyer	reimb meal Dub conference	10.00	Tif		11175.44
Keystone Labs	testing	355.00	Debt Service		11614.00
Kirkeby Welding	welding for pool	214.30	Water		17202.31
Kirkwood	class registration	81.00	Sewer		27451.71
Klimesh Motors	2011 F550 fire dept	183.83	<b>Total</b>		<b>120144.20</b>
Kwik Star	mower gas	950.83			

Ordinance # 352, a property maintenance ordinance was presented for its second reading. Motion by Kleve, second by Meyer to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 352. Aye: Kleve, Huinker, Meyer and Phillips. Nay: Anderson. Motion carried.

A donation request was received from South Winn Youth Football. Motion by Meyer, second by Phillips to be a gold sponsor and donate \$ 700.00 to the organization. Aye: Kleve, Huinker, Anderson, Meyer and Phillips.

The Fire Department report was reviewed and accepted. They reported they had received their grain bin rescue tube and harnesses. They will train with the unit at NICC on October 13<sup>th</sup>. They stated this is the season of field fires. They also will have their soup supper on October 9, 2011 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. with their fire truck parade to follow at 7:00 p.m.

The Police Department report was reviewed. Officer Peters stated that the Taser had arrived and they will be required to take 3 hours of online training and 2 hours of hands on training. They will begin carrying the Tasers after certification on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Street Department report was discussed and reviewed. Junior Boyer stated he had received one written and one verbal quote to paint the street light poles. Junior will obtain a written quote from the second party but the council would like this done very shortly while the weather is still good. Junior also mentioned he has a side mower that hasn't been used and he would like to offer for sale. He has a mower spotted that could be used to mow the lagoon's etc. Meyer questioned if our tractor had enough power to pull this mower. Boyer stated he would bring it home and try it to see and then a decision could be made on its purchase.

The Water/wastewater reports were discussed and accepted. At the last meeting the continued addition of fluoride to the water was discussed. Boyer and Bullerman had checked with the DNR regarding this issue and stated it was discussed at a meeting that Junior attended in Dubuque last week. A letter received from Don Nelson's encouraging the continued use of fluoride was also shared. It was agreed that fluoride will continue to be added to the Calmar water supply. Matt Bullerman requested the council again consider the purchase of the Mobile mapper that was discussed at last month's meeting. Motion by Meyer, second by Huinker to approve purchase of the Mobile mapper. Aye: Huinker, Phillips, Huinker, Meyer and Kleve. Information was shared with the council regarding a new home to be hooked up to the water system per an agreement with Norbert Bullerman dated November 9, 2000.

Mayor McCasland stated he had attended a meeting in Waterloo between interested area residents and the Advisory Committee regarding road issues. He stated many different options to fund maintenance of the state roadways were discussed. He also attended the Waste Management Meeting. Mayor McCasland stated he had received comments from residents in the area of Wiltgen's Maintenance building regarding water drainage when they wash their vehicles and parked trucks blocking alleys and running early in the morning.

Correspondence had been received from the Winneshiek County treasurer stating that the county board had approved a resolution to convey the tax sale property to the City of Calmar. Discussed was the alley south of 404 and 406 E. Maple Streets. This alley has no utilities and dead ends at the Earl Knutson home. Vacation and transfer of this property was discussed. Motion by Meyer, second by Kleve to set the date for a public hearing by Resolution 466 for November 7, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. giving notice of the cities intention to vacate this alley and to convey this property to adjacent property owners. Aye: Kleve, Anderson, Phillips, Meyer and Huinker.

The city received word they did not receive funding for the REAP grant they had applied for to fund a trail from the Prairie Farmer Trail to NICC and the City Pool. Corey Meyer stated the RC & D is currently writing a grant which would connect trails in Fayette County to NICC, Prairie Farmer Trail, Decorah trails, Luther College and trails in southern Minnesota.

Information regarding Mediacom's transition to digital signal was discussed briefly. All Mediacom customers who currently do not have a television equipped to receive a digital signal will lose channels 23-78 without a digital adapter. These adapters are available from Mediacom free of charge.

Mayor McCasland adjourned the meeting at 8:35 P.M.

Joe McCasland, Mayor

ATTEST: Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk