

**Calmar City Council
Regular Meeting
October 6, 2008**

Prior to the meeting Mayor McCasland stated he had attended a meeting of Calmar Development. He also mentioned that the Winneshiek County Gaming Foundation would be having a get together at the Oakes on October 23rd.at 6:30 P.M. He encourages at least one member from any organization that received funding to attend this function. He stated he received notice of Winneshiek County Development annual meeting and report. The recent Agriprocessors spill was discussed. Trick or Treat will be on Friday, October 31, 2008 from 5-8 P.M. The addition of water meters at the Calmar Trailer Park has been completed. The residents there will receive their first bill in November due on December 5th. Luther Anderson asked about the Trees Forever Program. He stated he would be willing to write the grant and administer the program for the City of Calmar.

Mayor Joe McCasland called the regular meeting of the Calmar City Council to order at 7:06 P.M. on Monday, October 6, 2008 at the Calmar Fire Station. Present were: Huinker, Meyer, Phillips, Anderson and Zweibahmer.

After clarification on various bills a motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Phillips to approve the consent agenda and to pay all bills with the exception of the Knife River bill for surfacing Jefferson Street until they return and remove the seal coat from the man hole and valve they covered over in the resurfacing process. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Zweibahmer, Phillips and Meyer.

Claims September 2008

A.&J. Petersburg	insuance boat, motor trailer	38.00	Iowa Prison Ind.	signs	38.50
Acco	winter shut down	1727.05	Iowa Workforce	unemployment	48.56
Alliant Energy	electricity	6584.07	lpers	pension	2220.52
Aquila	gas	1298.41	Judy Lensing	share concrete	200.00
Aramark	uniform	116.48	Junior Boyer	insurance	573.50
Barnes & Noble	books	39.34	Kay Park Rec	garbage lids	420.00
Book Look	books	180.87	Keystone Labs	special testing	339.90
Book List	subscription renewal	99.50	Knife River	Jefferson St.	6290.00
Business Systems	copier contact	87.20	Kwik Star	fuel	1209.94
Calmar Courier	publishing	388.93	Malcom Ent.	garbage collection	6451.85
Calmar Motors	battery mower	65.00	Matt Parrott	envelopes	83.03
Center Point Lg.			Michele Elsbernd	anti virues computer	49.99
Pnt.	books	38.94	Micromarketing	audio books	123.85
City Laundry	supplies	77.40	Municipal Supply	5/8 ecr100gal	511.11
Com Tec			Nancy Tepestra	books	132.00
Electronics	repair radios	217.40	Napa	supplies	74.21
Corey Meyer	curb replacement	470.00	Northwest Iowa		
Croell Redi Mix	cement	148.00	Lawn	weed control	115.00
Data Tech	fees class	95.00	New Hampton		
Decorah Electric	program float	65.00	Tribune	add officer	78.40
Decorah Impl.	bearing	54.00	News Publishing		
Decorah			Co.	add officer	56.40
Newspapers	subscription	105.60	Norby's Farm Fleet	supplies	127.47
Farmers Co-op	service Explorer	454.41	Northeast Iowa Tree	stump removal	276.00
Fayette County			Oriental Trading	supplies	52.65
Union	add officer	71.50	Ossian Bee	add officer	63.50
Galls Inc.	uniform pants Joe	69.98	Panscend LLC	computer work	85.00
Grassmasters	seed 175th. to depot	3944.50	Postmaster	postage	306.00
Heying Lbr	asphalt sealer	737.43	Postville Vet Clinic	shipping	41.25
Hygenic Lab	water test pool	22.00	Presto	pest control	36.00
IAMU	dues	313.99	Qwest	phone bill	456.19
Ingram	books	191.57	Racom	radio repair	49.00
IRS	tax, fica, ss	4709.26	Rite Price Office	supplies	106.48
			Sim's	speaker system, phone	380.66
			Thompson Gale	books	93.48
			Times Plain Dealer	add officer	103.20
			Treasurer State of	taxes, sales, payroll	4610.00

Iowa		
US Cellular	phone bill	319.40
Walmart	supplies	217.58
Wellmark	premium	3248.72
Wiltgen Const	services	32.00
Richard Zahasky	services	484.26
Zarnoth Brush		
Works	sweeper parts	379.65
Payroll	September	13748.44
Total		66644.52
Claims by Fund 9/08		
General		39,216.75
Road Use		9,212.10
Benefits		1,952.99
Water		9,064.23

Sewer	7,198.45
Total	66,644.52
Revenue by Fund 9/08	
General	29,273.88
Road Use	7,704.44
Benefits	4,191.28
Emergency	509.10
Lost	7,968.67
Tif	13,834.12
Debt Service	3,300.34
Water	10,847.60
Sewer	26,205.95
Total	103,835.38

George Tekippe of Tekippe Engineering introduced James Maloney who has joined their firm. He stated that that 80% is completed S of Clark Street. He also stated that Skyline is scheduled to start repair of the Highway near Winco on October 7, 2008. Also discussed was the placement of the new siren on city property and the problem with Lester Lukas property extending through Melden Street.

The Fire Department report was discussed and accepted as presented. Cory Meyer stated that the new boots have been purchased and already used by the firemen. He also stated that Troy Hageman had joined the department.

The Police Department report was accepted as presented. Officer Ward reported that testing had been completed on Saturday, October 4th. All candidates passed the physical test and one candidate took the POST test. He visited with each applicant individually and stated that Dave Zweibahmer and Isaac Phillips, members of the public safety committee had reviewed the applications on file. They all feel that we have 2 or 3 good candidates and will set up interviews as soon as possible. Motion by Zweibahmer, seconded by Phillips to appoint Joe Ward police chief and that he is compensated accordingly. Aye: Huinker, Meyer, Anderson, Phillips and Zweibahmer.

The street department report was discussed and accepted. Mayor McCasland noted that considerable time had been spent working on the trail and stated that Junior and Don had spent some time at the library moving furniture for new flooring.

The water/wastewater report was discussed. Bob Penrod stated that the DNR has removed Calmar from the small stream monitoring designation.

Mayor McCasland stated we had received a “generic” agreement from City Attorney Zahasky that could be modified for Bushman Organic. The street committee consisting of Meyer and Anderson will meet with Stace Bushman to work out a feasible solution to the issue.

Motion by Phillips, second by Meyer to approve the City of Calmar Identity Theft prevention plan October 2008. Aye: Zweibahmer, Anderson, Meyer, Phillips and Huinker.

A written request was received from Garry Wiltgen to accept and Garry Drive, Diane Street and Garry Court in Rolling Hills Addition as City of Calmar public right-of-way.

Motion by Anderson, second by Meyer to approve Resolution # 445 accepting Rolling Hills Addition as City of Calmar public right-of-way. Aye; Huinker, Anderson, Meyer, Phillips and Zweibahmer.

Ordinance # 337 was introduced. This ordinance updates city code to correspond with the speed limit changes that the DOT had previously enacted. Motion by Phillips, second by Anderson to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 337. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Meyer, Phillips and Zweibahmer. Motion by Phillips, second by Anderson to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance # 337. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Meyer, Phillips and Zweibahmer.

Motion by Meyer, second by Huinker to approve the appointment of Kay Heying to the Calmar Library Board to replace Marian Miller. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Meyer, Zweibahmer and Phillips. Marian Miller had served the Calmar Library Board for 41 years.

Prior to adjournment Corey Meyer stated that he plans to have a Lake Meyer watershed informational meeting for Calmar residents this winter. Lake Meyer is classified as endangered basically due to excess prosperous. He also stated that someone had cut branches from the Oak trees at the Calmar Lions Park to get at the acorns on the branches. The growing points were cut off and this will stop future growth and can kill the tree. This is classified as vandalism.

Mayor McCasland declared the meeting adjourned at 8:21 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd
City Clerk

Joe McCasland
Mayor