

**CALMAR CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Thursday, January 25, 2007  
5:00 P.M. Calmar City Hall**

The special meeting of the City Council of Calmar, Iowa was held at the Calmar City Hall at 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, January 25, 2007, with Mayor George Willis presiding.

On call of the roll, the following Council Members were present: Karen Kleve, John Patrick, Luther Anderson, and Dave Zweibahmer and Tim Vondersitt.

Council member Vondersitt moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Seconded by Kleve. Aye: Kleve, Patrick, Anderson, Vondersitt and Zweibahmer. Carried.

Jim Bousley, Mark Jobgen and Mary Abbott of IIW Engineering were present to advise the council on the Rolling Hills Project and to discuss the Special Assessment procedure. Jim stated that the survey crew had been there on Tuesday. Mark Jobgen presented estimates on three options, Asphalt, Concrete and double seal coat. The double seal coat was for comparison purposes only. They had used 6" sub drain in the estimates because the ordinance states 5" tile. Garry Wiltgen stated that all residents have their sump pumps drained to the rear in an 8" tile. This being the case a 6" tile wouldn't be necessary. Mr. Jabogen stated that a variance could be given allowing a 4" sub drain. The preliminary construction estimate for the PCC option is \$ 228,195.00, the HMA option is \$ 212,080.00 and the difference between HMA and double seal coat would be \$ 16,000.00. Mary Abbott stated that the council needed to decide if the assessments would be by linear footage or a combination of footage and percentage on the corner lots. She explained that in normal assessments you can only assess 25% of the assessed value of the property. The vacant lots would not meet this criteria. A variance may have to be signed by property owners. She also stated that if it was 100% assessed and all landowners agreed that possibly all the public hearings and notices would not be necessary. She is to check with the bonding attorney to verify.

Moved by Patrick that the city pay 100% of the total cost incurred for the portion of the project from the property line to the existing pavement (175th. Street). Seconded by Vondersitt. Aye: Kleve, Patrick, Anderson, Vondersitt and Zweibahmer. Carried;

Moved by Zweibahmer to approve Resolution # 418 which states that all assessments in sub divisions for street structure and curb and gutter are assessed by linear front footage. Seconded by Patrick: Aye: Kleve, Patrick, Anderson, Vondersitt and Zweibahmer. Carried.

Anderson made a motion that the city pay the \$ 16,000 difference between HMA and double seal coat for the Rolling Hills project. Seconded by Zweibahmer. Aye: Anderson and Zweibahmer. Nay: Vondersitt, Patrick & Kleve. Motion did not carry.

Moved by Vondersitt to approve Resolution #417 approving the City of Calmar's sponsorship of the Calmar Historical Preservation in their application for a Northeast Iowa Foundation grant. Seconded by Patrick: Aye: Kleve, Patrick, Anderson, Vondersitt and Zweibahmer. Carried.

The solid waste agency and future rate increases were briefly discussed. Mayor Willis will bring the schedule to share with the council.

Mayor Willis declared the meeting adjourned at 6:39 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk

George Willis, Mayor