

**Calmar City Council
Regular Meeting
October 5, 2009**

Prior to the meeting Mayor McCasland noted that he had been contacted by a resident regarding a culvert issue in the alley west of the high school. Junior Boyer will look into the cost to run an 18" tile line through this area and council members will look at the problem before a decision is made. The tree program was discussed; there are still several trees available. Also brought up were issues with the bike trail. Isaac Phillips stated that there are areas of crumbling asphalt on the trail. The County Conservation will take this up with the bonding company for the contractor who did the project. George Tekippe was present to ask that the curtain wall that the City has from the "old" waste treatment facility be added to the agenda. He has a city that could possibly use this curtain.

Mayor McCasland called the meeting of the Calmar City Council to order at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, October 5, 2009 at the Calmar Fire Station. Present were: Zweibahmer, Huinker, Phillips, Meyer and Anderson.

Motion by Zweibahmer, second by Phillips to approve the consent agenda (agenda with addition of curtain wall, minutes of September 7, 2009, clerk/treasurer reports, claims for September 2009 and a Native Wine permit for Annie's Gardens & Greens) Aye: Anderson, Huinker, Zweibahmer, Phillips and Meyer.

Claims September 09			Hygenic Labs	water testing	22.00
Acco	winterize pool	1116.00	Idnr	permit	135.00
Alliant Energy	electricity	7244.40	Ingram	books	231.30
American Water Wo	membership dues	75.00	IRS	taxes	3742.38
Aramark	uniform	107.83	Iowa One Call	services	29.70
Barnes & Noble	books	98.90	Iowa Workforce	quarterly unempl	37.61
Bill Kovarik	percent concrete	200.00	Ipers	ipers	1887.55
Black Hills Energy	gas	729.16	Iroc Web Design	renew domain	80.00
Booklist	sub ren	109.95	Jerome Hayek	Jefferson	408.00
Bruening Rock	rock chips	227.54	Joe Ward	reimb ins	216.00
Business Systems	contract copy	91.56	Junior Boyer	insurance reimb	573.50
Calmar Courier	sub, add	35.00	Keith Lee	safety vests	36.00
Carus Corp	chemicals	964.63	Kevin Kearney	testing	50.00
Center Pt. Lg. Print	books	77.88	Keystone Labs	testing	494.30
City of Calmar	postage	12.90	Kwik Star	gas	979.47
City of Fort Atkinson	tar/chip mat	1466.64	Linda Crossland	postage reimb	16.57
Creative Products	supplies	180.93	Marv Smith Elec.	check ac on roof	91.00
Croell	lewis st, manhole	596.00	Michele Elsbernd	mil, virus ren	102.79
Culligan	softner fire	35.31	Norby's	acid	136.59
Data Technologies	support, reg	2576.47	OMB Supply	tape, pants	64.97
Dave Huinker	Sept. Lib	250.00	Panscend	softwear support ic	52.50
Decorah Impl	cylinder	520.00	Postmaster	postage water	140.00
Decorah Newspaper	subscription	35.00	Presto	bair stations	38.00
Grassmasters	grass seed	48.75	Public Safety Center	gloves	135.29
HD Supply	flange kit	213.70	Qwest	telephone	502.71
Helen Havel	50% concrete	191.19	Rite Price Office	supplies	265.75
Heying Lumber	concrete, supp	234.31	River City Paving	asphalt, cold mix	6600.00
Holly Humpal	reimb	17.09	Scholastic Library	reference books	240.50
Hubers Store	pop pool	13.79	Sim's	supplies	24.99
			Thompson Gale	book	93.48
			Treas State IA	taxes, watertax	3999.00

US Cell	telephone	326.17	Total	49606.01
Walmart	supplies	144.49	Revenue by fund	
Wellmark	premium	2066.69	General	62067.45
Wiltgen	lime trail, softball	152.00	Road Use	7614.93
Payroll	September	11310.78	Benefits	4620.10
Total		52897.01	Emergency	538.77
Claims by fund			Lost	8128.61
General		20,080.51	Tif	10558.88
Road Use		6,314.99	Water	20032.51
I-Jobs		4,621.03	Sewer	27782.50
Benefits		1,744.03	Total	141343.75
Water		7,865.43		
Sewer		8,980.02		

The fire department report was accepted as presented. It was noted that the breakfast and open house on October 4, 2009 was well attended and that the fire truck parade was a success with many positive comments. Linus Sabelka reported that the department had received a grant for \$ 53,000 which required a \$ 3,000 match. The grant is for equipment and training. The department plans to purchase/replace bunker gear and purchase the needed additional air packs. They also plan to write a gaming grant for a generator for the fire station. They also have many activities for fire prevention week (October 4-10) including Operation Edith on October 7th.

The police department report was accepted as presented. The committee and mayor met and interviewed 5 candidates for the police officer position. The committee has narrowed the candidates down to two. Chief Ward is proceeding with background and reference checks on these two. The problem of storage for the police car was discussed. After several ideas it was decided to move the pumps and meters stored in the new water plant to the old water plant after the filtration equipment is removed and store the car in the second bay of the water plant. The old Explorer has been sold. The clerk stated that due to a recent attempt by a former officer to dispute our police contract she had the city attorney draft a letter to the former employee and get his opinion on our contract. The employee has since made a payment on the contract and the attorney states that our contract is air tight and legal. A letter has been drafted to the Horseshoe Tap. Motion by Meyer, second by Huinker to approve letter to Horseshoe. Aye: Huinker, Meyer, Zweibahmer, Anderson and Phillips.

The street department report was discussed and accepted. The trimming of trees was discussed. The alley between Kuboushek and Donlan was also discussed. The "sidewalk" part of the alley is in bad shape here and will be removed. Members of the council looked at the proposed area where curb needs replacement east of the high school. All agreed this project needed to be done. Junior Boyer stated that the roof at the pool will be replaced shortly. This will be a steel roof. Luther Anderson is still awaiting a call from the State Historical group regarding the shingle replacement on the depot. Junior stated that all local contractors were busy and that the shingles on the north side of the library would be replaced next year.

The water/wastewater report was accepted as presented. Bob Penrod reported that the GIS mapping should be completed in the next week or so. The flow tests from the new NICC hydrants were 1,100 and 1,200 gpm. The roof on the old water treatment plant is

in need of replacement. Bids were received from Moss Roofing and Stee Roofing. After much discussion a motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Zweibahmer to accept the bid of Stee Roofing in the amount of \$ 4,430.65. Aye: Huinker, Meyer, Anderson, Zweibahmer and Phillips. Blazek Corp. has begin removing the tanks and filtration equipment in the old water treatment plant. The cost of this is \$ 8,800.00. Motion by Zweibahmer, second by Anderson to offer the curtain wall to the interested party for \$ 2,000 negotiable. Aye: Huinker, Meyer, Zweibahmer, Anderson and Phillips. George Tekippe stated this would be pending inspection of the curtain wall.

Mayor McCasland reported he had attended the Hwy 150/52 Project meeting. The DOT will be in the area for two days driving the road and visiting with area people. A power point report was prepared citing all accidents and incidents along this corridor in the past several years. It is hoped this visit by the DOT will bring about some improvements to Hwy 150.

Mayor McCasland declared the meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Joe McCasland
Mayor

Michele Elsbernd
ATTEST