

Calmar City Council Minutes
April 2, 2007 @ 7:00 P.M.
Calmar Fire Station

Prior to the meeting Isaac Phillips inquired about live trapping stray cats in town.

The regular meeting of the City Council of Calmar, Iowa was held at the Calmar Fire Station on April 2, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor George Willis presiding.

On call of the roll the following Council members were present: Kleve, Zweibahmer, Anderson and Vondersitt. Patrick was absent.

Council member Kleve moved that the minutes of the March 5th meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by Zweibahmer. Aye: Vondersitt, Anderson, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

Council member Zweibahmer moved that the agenda for the April 2nd meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by Anderson. Aye: Vondersitt, Anderson, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

The clerk explained that the current year's budget would need to be amended due to the Rolling Hills project as there was nothing budgeted in this area. We will also amend the public safety just to be on the safe side. Council member Vondersitt moved to set the date for the public hearing to amend the 06-07 budget for May 7, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. Seconded by Anderson. Aye: Vondersitt, Anderson, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

Mark Jobgen of IIW Engineering was present to provide the preliminary plans and specifications for the Rolling Hills street project for review. The assessments will be by linear front footage as approved at the January 25th council meeting, at the request by the majority of the Rolling Hills property owners. Mark stated that the preliminary assessments were made before the final plans were completed and there will be a few changes due to water valves and man holes that had to be adjusted and the length of Dianne Drive due to stopping at the catch basins. Mark also stated that the next step would be to send this to the bonding attorneys. He hopes by April 23rd we would have the paperwork and resolutions necessary from the bonding attorneys to hold a special meeting to get them approved. Then the law requires that after publication of the notice for bidders that they have 20 days before bids are received. Bids could be opened on June 4th. The plans call for bids on an asphalt and concrete option. The project could be completed by early August depending on which option is selected.

The fire department report was accepted as presented. Their upcoming dance, storm sirens and severe weather awareness week was also discussed.

The police department report was accepted as presented. The upcoming testing for a new police officer was discussed. Chief Werner stated that the IDOT had done a speed survey and that the results would be available in a month or so. He stated that he anticipated changes to be made to the speed limits in certain areas.

The street department report was accepted. The condition of the floor in the city shop was discussed. There is a need for some type of hard surface. Junior Boyer will get prices on concrete and see if asphalt would also work. Sweeping streets for the City of Castalia was discussed. Junior Boyer can do this for \$ 500.00. The two applicants for summer help will meet with the committee and Mr. Boyer on Friday. The snow removal issue was discussed and a plan will be implemented before next winter. Junior Boyer stated that there are 4 frost boils to be repaired. He also stated that the cost of oil for seal coating had gone up considerably. He will get prices from various contractors for seal coating and will look into prices for asphalt on South Street. The storm drain behind Klimesh has been repaired and the one by the Fire Department will be repaired as soon as

weather permits.

The water/wastewater report was reviewed and accepted as presented. The larger chemical feed pump that is needed at the water plant was discussed. Council member Vondersitt moved that we purchase the new pumps and card on our own and install them on our own. Seconded by Kleve: Aye: Vondersitt, Anderson, Kleve and Zweibahmer. The mayor had a question for Tekippe regarding the "as builds" on the west lift station, the water plant and the revisions to the control panel. George stated he would look into this. Looping was discussed. Bob Penrod stated that he would like to add a line in the alley behind Klimesh Motors from Washington Street to Webster. Bob will get some quotes for this project. Junior Boyer stated that work should also be done on the storm drains in this alley at the same time. Bob stated that his next priority would be the looping on South Street from Iowa to Melden and last would be Jefferson Street from Main to Clay. Bob stated that he needs to order fire hydrants and man hole castings to have on hand.

Mayor Willis reported that the Historical Preservation had received a \$ 3,000 grant for Depot updates that would be an asset to the trailhead. Decisions will have to be made regarding the best utilization of this grant. He stated that Pave the Way had negotiated a \$ 450,000 CAT grant which requires almost \$ 115,000 in local match.

The Municipal Enterprise committee met with Jennifer Johnson the pool manager to get an update on her plans and needs. Dave Zweibahmer reported that she requested that the lifeguards all wear a swim suite with Lifeguard on it to make them stand out from other pool patrons. Dave, Karen and Mayor Willis also agree this is a good idea. Motion by Council member Zweibahmer to approve the cities contribution of \$ 20.00 per lifeguard toward the purchase of these suits. Seconded by Kleve: Aye: Vondersitt, Anderson, Kleve and Zweibahmer. Dave also stated that the backboard needs replacement and Jennifer has checked on prices. Tim Vondersitt suggested we check with area first responders on availability of extra boards in the area. She also updated them on private lessons, concessions and other pool concerns. Mayor Willis called Jennifer and also visited with her, he suggested she keep in contact with the council.

The council also plans a city wide clean up day. They had received quotes from Malcom & Shimek for this service. This day will be scheduled for May 12th which will be the week following the city wide garage sales. It will be run the same as last year. This will be put in the city newsletter and the Calmar courier. We will contact Malcom to provide this service again.

The newsletter was reviewed. This will be sent out hopefully this week.

The need for an Outdoor Furnace ordinance was discussed. This will be put on the agenda next month.

Council member Zweibahmer made a motion to approve payment of the March claims. Seconded by Kleve. Aye: Vondersitt, Anderson, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

Claims March 07

A.J. Petersburg	pemium	22191.00
Ace Telephone	internet	17.95
Advanced Water Tech	chemicals	699.09
Alliant	electricity	4414.48
Anundsons	citations	236.00
Aquilla	gas	2482.13
Aramark	uniform	95.76
Audio Editions	books	40.40
Book Look	books	187.78
Business Systems	copier cont	75.53
Calmar Courier	publishing	314.86

Center Point Lg. Pnt	books	38.34
City of Calmar	postage	9.99
City of Ossian	citations	352.00
Com Tech Elec	fire	137.40
County Living	subscription	25.20
Data Tech	training	50.00
Decorah Tire	chain fasteners	19.95
Demco	supplies	93.78
Farmers Co-Op	fuel	614.51
Franzen Repair	water pump ih	232.50
Hawkeye Truck	repair	1135.46
Heying Lumber	supplies	26.71
Imau	membership	409.14
Icop	camera install	5440.20
IIW Engineering	fees	6196.50
Ingram	books	215.57
IRS	taxes	4755.73
IA Dept. Public Health	fees	70.00
Workforce Dev	unemployment	253.75
Ipers	ipers	2099.13
Keystone Labs	testing	292.00
Kirkwood	training	100.00
Klimesh Motors	repair	155.75
Knife River	cold mix	47.60
Kwik Star	fuel	1380.47
Malcom	garbage	5995.20
Michael Todd	chains	284.70
Michele Elsbernd	add	94.25
Micromarketing	books	87.50
Napa	supplies	86.55
Nicc	training	45.00
Norby's	supplies	201.36
Ossian Bee	add	38.25
Postmaster	postage	121.10
Postville Vet Clinic	shipping	35.50
Presto	pest control	34.00
Qwest	telephone	328.24
Racom	camera install	390.00
Rite Price	supplies	222.50
Ron Anderson	police	21.96
Ronald Werner	reimb	676.78
State Chem Mfg	supplies	248.24
Treas State IA	taxes, sales	3796.00
US Cell	telephone	258.48
Walmart	supplies	176.01
Wellmark	premium	1703.72
Wiltgen Const.	rock,snow rem	1935.64
Payroll		14917.75
Total		86605.39
Claims by fund		
General		54,985.76
Road Use		6,757.00
Benefits		1,476.40
Capital Projects		6,196.50
Water		10,221.18
Sewer		6,968.55

Total	86605.39
Revenue by fund	
General	24670.04
Road Use	9189.29
Benefits	2800.62
Local Option	8457.73
Tif	7291.47
Debt Serv	1918.04
Water	10714.22
Sewer	26125.07
Total	91166.48

Mayor Willis declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk

George Willis, Mayor