

# CALMAR CITY COUNCIL

## Regular Meeting

February 2, 2009

Prior to the meeting Mayor McCasland stated that he had been at a meeting representing the City of Calmar that sets the salaries for the Assessors office. He also has received positive comments regarding our snow handling. The Mayor reminded of the Calmar Strategic Planning Meeting on February 4<sup>th</sup> at the Calmar Fire Station at 6:30. There is another scheduled for March 5<sup>th</sup> also at the Fire Station. He encouraged residents to complete and submit their surveys.

Mayor McCasland called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Calmar Fire Station. Present were: Huinker, Anderson, Meyer, Zweibahmer and Phillips.

Claims were discussed. Motion by Phillips, second by Meyer to approve the consent agenda (agenda, minutes of 1/5/09, clerk/treasurer reports, claims and the ABD license renewal for Kwik Star) Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Meyer, Zweibahmer and Phillips. Carried.

**Claims January 09**

Alliant	electricity	6250.66
American Water Wks	operators meeting Bob	13.00
Apple Time	supplies	163.49
Aramark	uniform	185.83
Barco Municipal	cross chain hooks	107.99
Barco Products	waste containers	302.50
Barnes & Noble	books	31.98
Black Hills Energy	natural gas	2627.68
Calmar Courier	publishing	58.52
Carus Corp.	chemicals	727.82
Center Pt. Lg. Pnt.	books	77.88
Certified Pool Trainee	cpo continuing ed	220.00
Country Home	magazine sub	21.97
Crystal Canyon	water	15.41
Culligan	fire dept	32.10
Decorah Electric	thermostat ne lift station	59.67
Decorah Impl	repair of street sweeper	12322.06
Designer Vinyl	signs	121.00
Farmers Co-op	fuel	363.34
Gale	books	70.11
General Traffic	controller flashers	261.92
Gunderson Clinic	physical Wagner	200.20
Heying Lbr	supplies	20.53
Iamu	safety quarter fees	317.61
Ingram	books	62.61
IRS	fed tax	4712.94
Imfoa	dues imfoa	30.00
Ipers	ipers	2083.43
Junior Boyer	insurance	573.50
Keystone Labs	testing	468.90
Kwik Star	fuel	1155.29
Linda Crossland	postage reimb	15.58
Marv Smith Elec	bulbs fd	105.15
Micromarketing	books on cd	76.93
Mid-American Resea	deod	104.72
Municipal Supply	repair clamp	117.70
Napa	floor dry, shop towels	43.70
Norby'	supplies	235.10
NE Iowa Tree Serv	christmas lights up/down	495.00
Postmaster	postage,permit fee	454.00

Postville Vet Clinic	ship samples	96.50
Presto	pest control	38.00
Qwest	phone	392.32
Reilly	backboards	220.00
Rite Price	supplies	91.58
Rob Anthonis	uniform	64.20
Sim's	phone	50.00
Storey Kenworthy	shelf for cpu	70.48
Treas St. IA	state tax	700.00
US Cell	phone	319.91
Walmart	supplies	122.44
Wellmark	premium	3674.11
Wiltgen	water break	2080.45
Winco	road crew	260.46
Winn.Ct. Engineer	cutting edges	364.10
Winn. Ct. Recorder	recording fees Lukas	12.00
Payroll	Jan.	12696.66
<b>Total</b>		<b>56561.03</b>

**Claims by Fund**

General	20,693.80
Road Use	17,400.99
Benefits	2,353.14
Water	7,616.40
Sewer	8,496.70
<b>Total</b>	<b>56561.03</b>

**Revenue by Fund**

General	28084.87
Road Use	6090.49
Benefits	277.83
Emergency	33.74
Lost	8710.17
Tif	336.59
Water	9770.39
Sewer	23372.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>76676.79</b>

Randy Uhl, Winneshiek County Economic Development Director was present to inform the council what they do. He stated their funding comes from County funds, donations from the incorporated cities in Winneshiek County and donations from private members. He explained all the projects that the corporation is working on. He

answered questions regarding the old Calmar Foods building and the council encouraged him to continue to help promote new business in Calmar.

The Fire Department report was reviewed.

The Police Department report was reviewed. A discussion was held regarding the selection of a new police vehicle. Motion by Zweibahmer, second by Huinker to purchase a Crown Vic from Klimesh Motors for \$ 22,572.64. Aye: Huinker and Zweibahmer. Nay: Anderson, Phillips and Meyer. Motion failed. More discussion followed and council decided to table this issue until the March meeting.

The Street Department report was reviewed. Junior Boyer stated he had hoped to have a quote from Heying Lumber for the fencing for the possible yard waste site at the lagoon area.

The water/wastewater report was discussed. Anderson questioned a total he felt was in error on the report. Discussed briefly with City Engineer Tekippe was any possible information that had been received from the DNR regarding changes in ammonia limits and/or solutions. George stated that there is a lot of talk but nothing decided.

The Clerk explained the 2009-2010 budget. The current budget has been re-estimated including all items to be amended. This includes a project for the wastewater that would rehabilitate 30 manholes and reconstruct the tops of those same manholes. Also amended will be community protection for sirens and fire department projects and grants and the funds to complete the water project last fall near Winco. The new budget expenses and income projections were explained. The cities valuations are up \$ 1,634,087.00 from last year. The 2009-2010 levy per \$1,000 valuation will be 11.70165 which is .14 less than last years levy. Motion by Zweibahmer, second by Meyer to set the date for the public hearing on the 2009-2010 budget for March 2, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Calmar Fire Station. Aye: Anderson, Phillips, Zweibahmer, Huinker and Meyer. Carried.

The proposed lease agreement with Bushman Family Farms was discussed. The clerk reported that Stacy Bushman will be signing the agreement and forwarding two copies to the city for signatures.

Salaries were discussed, this item will be added to the March agenda.

Ordinances # 338 and # 339 were discussed. These ordinances deal with truck parking on the hard surface parking lot along the tracks between Maryville and Melden and the fines for violation. Motion by Phillips, seconded by Zweibahmer to approve Ordinance # 338 with the change in wording as follows: No trucks, semi-tractor and/or trailer truck parking of vehicles over four (4) tons shall be parked on the asphalt parking lot on Lewis Street between Maryville and Melden Street and to approve Ordinance # 339 adding a fine of \$ 75.00 for violation of these parking restrictions. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Zweibahmer, Meyer and Phillips. Carried. Motion by Meyer, seconded by Phillips to waive the second and third reading of Ordinances # 338 and # 339. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Zweibahmer, Meyer and Phillips. Carried.

Resolution # 446 creating a Hazard Mitigation Committee was discussed. Motion by Meyer, seconded by Huinker to approve resolution # 446 with the addition of the Fire Chief to the Committee. Aye: Phillips, Anderson, Zweibahmer, Huinker and Meyer. Carried.

Imageteck has approached the city regarding their services. They are a company that images city records and saves them on a web server so they can be viewed and preserved. The council wishes an estimate to preserve the old city minutes, which are the history of our city.

Mayor McCasland declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk

Joe McCasland, Mayor

