

Calmar City Council September 3, 2013

Prior to the meeting Dalton & Julie Smith addressed the council regarding water and sewer issues at their residence. Matt and Junior explained the issue to all present and had maps to indicate the site of the old and new lines. Mary Welch requested better signage for the outdoor restroom at the depot.

The regular meeting of the Calmar City Council was called to order by Mayor Corey Meyer on Tuesday, September 3, 2013. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were: Phillips, Kleve and Sabelka. Huinker and Zweibahmer were absent.

After correction to the August minutes as follows: Motion by Sabelka, second by Huinker to approve the quote in the amount of \$2300.00 from Marv Smith Electric to update the service, trench wire and lighting at Lion's Park. Aye: Huinker, Sabelka, Zweibahmer, PHILLIPS and Kleve. Motion carried. Questions regarding claims and the ABD license were answered and a motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Sabelka to approve the consent agenda (agenda, Minutes of August 5, 2013 with correction, clerk/treasurer reports, claims for August 2013 and the ABD license for Whiskey Grove.) Aye: Sabelka, Phillips and Kleve. Motion carried.

CLAIMS REPORT			Revenue by fund		
Vendor	Reference	Amount			
Acco	chemicals	586.35	Micromarketing	books	624.33
Alliant	electricity	12674.27	Midwest Georgrap	manhole data & training	550.00
Aramark	uniform	119.84	NE IA Housing Trust	local match contribution	1000.00
Becker Hedw	bits	35.40	NE IA Drug Task For	yearly dues	525.00
Black Hills	gas	1891.73	NE Red Power	battery tanker fd	261.18
Book Look	books	202.86	NE Iowa Tree	stump and ties	150.00
Bullwacker	ship radar	10.75	Oriental Trading	story hour supplies	134.24
Calmar CC	1/2 fusion	175.00	Penworthy	childrens books	151.67
Calmar Courier	publishing	97.01	Postmaster	postage water bills	141.90
Calmar Motors	service charger	30.33	Rite Price	supp lib, paper, copier	749.96
Center Pt. Lg. Pnt	books	41.94	Sentimental Ref	dvd's library	175.00
Centurylink	phone bills	438.84	Sierra	magazine subscription	12.00
City of Calmar	reimb pc postage	28.84	State Hygenic Lsab	pool testing	24.00
Dave Huinker	repairs and service	700.00	Fehr Graham	water engineering project	1390.25
Dell	computer library	1177.54	Treas State IA	taxes	803.00
Delta Dental	premium	148.00	Utility Equip	locater repair	1473.70
Demco	office and operating sup	146.02	Walmart	supplies	111.85
Don's Truck	part	133.91	Wellmark	premium	5435.42
Drillings	parts and repair	395.48	Wiltgen Const	dig out culvert Henry,rock	176.30
Farmers Union	fuel, roundup, grease	795.15	Winn Cty. Treas	taxes Huber property	10.00
Heying Lbr	supplies	12.97	Payroll August		17,503.97
Hubers Store	melon	3.99	Total		73,740.26
Ia DNR	permit fees	210.00	Claims by Fund		
IMWCA	work comp	1308.00	General		44,953.58
Ingram	books	252.86	Road Use		2,499.01
IRS	taxes	5429.34	Benefits		4,214.26
IA DOT	emulsn oil	2265.00	Water		10,732.38
IPERS	ipers	3178.03	Sewer		11,341.03
Iroc Web	updates,support	181.25			73,740.26
John Deere Financia	supplies	59.84	Revenue by fund		
John Mashek	50% concrete	250.00	General		11179.68
Keystone	testing	450.80	Road Use		9483.19
Klimesh Motors	replace batterries fd	301.92	Benefits		1550.98
Kwik Star	fuel	1172.02	Emergency		114.56
Malcolm	garbage	6143.79	Lost		8345.68
Marco	software library	84.00	Water		10990.1
Marv Smith Elec	1/2 fd kitchen & stop	1052.04	Sewer		18823.31
McDonald Supply	park restroom repairs	151.38	Total		60487.50

Diana Johnson representing Upper Explorer land stated the applications for the CDBG grant were due in November. After sewer lines were televised it became apparent there were some issues on Maryville Street that needed attention. Calmar would be eligible for a \$ 300,000 grant with a 50% match. Motion by Sabelka, second by Phillips to proceed with plans to apply for a CDBG grant for sewer line replacement within the city of Calmar. Roll call vote: Aye: Phillips and Sabelka. Nay: Kleve. Motion carried. Diana explained the Housing Rehabilitation Grant; she explained that it would be for single family owner occupied homes only with income guidelines. After discussion council agreed to see if there was any interest in this program in the community before proceeding with a grant application. Diana also explained the Downtown façade grant program. She stated the program had a minimum participation of 12 businesses. Downtown businesses will discuss and see if there is enough interest to participate. The Capital Improvement Plan was discussed. Motion by Phillips, second by Sabelka to move forward in the development of a CIP for the City of Calmar. Roll call vote: Aye: Sabelka, Phillips and Kleve. Motion carried. A work session for CIP is scheduled for September 16, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. at the Calmar Fire Station.

Randy Uhl, Winneshiek County Development was present to explain the CHAD Study that will provide information about the housing stock in Northeast Iowa. The study will include all of Winneshiek County and will be facilitated by R.D.G. which has offices in Des Moines, Ames and Omaha. Questions were answered and Mr. Uhl stated that they would welcome a member of the Calmar community on their board. Randy stated that were advised by marketing experts that Decorah is more recognizable than Winneshiek County and that is why their information says DECORAH in large letters and Winneshiek County much smaller.

The possible renovation of our swimming pool was discussed. It is allowable to use TIF funding to pay for the renovations. Estimates were received and a motion was made by Kleve, seconded by Phillips to approve pool renovations from \$ 160,000 - \$ 200,000. Roll call vote: Aye: Kleve, Sabelka and Phillips. Motion carried.

T.J. Schissel provided the Fire Department Report. He stated that they participated in a training session with the Fort Atkinson Fire Department at Fort Atkinson Tractor Parts. They took a salvaged tractor and rolled it pinning a rescue dummy. They felt it was a very informative training. He also stated they will be having their annual Soup Supper and Fire Truck Parade on October 6, 2013.

Chief Joe Ward reported that considerable time had been spent providing the school systems with ALICE training and that they would be working with area fire departments in the future. They had also spent considerable time working with people regarding property exchanges that were court ordered and required police monitoring.

The Street Department report was presented. Junior explained the Washington Street green space and parking project. He noted that the Schluter-Balik Funeral home had pledged \$ 10,000 toward the project and that Calmar Development would match this amount. Motion by Sabelka, second by Phillips to proceed with purchase of the property designated to become green space and parking. Roll call vote: Aye: Phillips, Kleve and Sabelka. Motion carried.

The water/wastewater report was presented. The west street water project is proceeding as expected and they are also in the process of hydrant replacement while waiting for water tests to be processed.

Mayor Meyer had nothing to report but did state he would not be running for Mayor in the November election.

Jon Biederman of Fehr-Graham provided the council with an agreement for preliminary engineering services. He explained that the agreement included. Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sabelka to approve the agreement with Fehr-Graham for preliminary engineering for Downtown Improvements. Roll call vote: Aye: Sabelka, Kleve and Phillips. Motion carried.

Motion by Phillips, second by Kleve to approve Resolution # 486 setting the wages for 2013-2014. Aye: Kleve, Sabelka and Phillips. Motion carried.

The preliminary audit report was discussed.

Motion by Phillips, second by Sabelka to set October 7, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. as the time and place for the public hearing to convey and transfer city owned real estate. Roll call vote: Aye: Sabelka, Kleve and Phillips. Motion carried.

Motion by Sabelka, second by Kleve to donate the same amount as last year to the South Winn Youth Football League. Aye: Kleve, Sabelka and Phillips. Motion carried.

The clerk explained that there was a possibility that Ace Communication installing an antenna on the water tower to provide broadband internet to the area. More details will follow after Ace tests reception on the tower.

A fall city wide cleanup day was discussed. It will be scheduled for September 28, 2013.

Motion by Phillips, second by Kleve to approve Resolution # 487 setting a date for a public hearing on urban renewal plan amendment for October 7, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at the Calmar Fire Station. Aye: Kleve, Sabelka and Phillips. Motion carried. The required consultation session will be held on September 16, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. prior to the CIP planning session.

Motion by Kleve, second by Sabelka to adjourn at 9:28 P.M.

Corey Meyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk