

MINUTES CALMAR CITY COUNCIL

April 5, 2021

Mayor Frana called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. on April 5, 2021 at the Calmar Fire Station. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Also present were: Mayor Frana, Don Wurtzel, Sheila Bullerman, Mike Hohenbrink, Pete Weiand, Judy Lensing, Jan Pfiffner, Stanley Maroushek, Al Severson, Libbie Case, Craig Schoenfeld and Neil Jones.

Motion by Schissel, second by Kirkeberg to approve the consent agenda (agenda, minutes of March 1, 2021 (Revised-added Resolution #634 only) and minutes of March 10, 2021, clerk/treasurer reports, claims for March 2021). Aye: Sabelka, Schissel, Kleve, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

CLAIMS REPORT					
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT			
Acentek	sewer internet	34.90	Napa	dump tk wiper,butt connect	157.44
All Flags LLC	(12) flags	296.61	New Hampton Red Power	mirror case tracto	84.00
Alliant	monthly utility	6,678.75	Northeast Iowa Metalwor	snow blower on back of tracto	129.00
BH	monthly utility bill	1,621.85	Olsgard Auto Sales	western cutting edges-plow tk	935.88
Decorah Implement	low v.hy-gard-broom tractor	49.38	Postmaster	546 x .293 waterbills	159.98
Book Look	books	281.83	Sheila Bullerman	reim 1/29/20-12/30/20	2,500.00
Brueing	3/4 class a rock-yard waste	312.41	South Winn Trap Shot Tea	sponsorship	300.00
Calmar Development Cor	1st qtr 1-1-21 to 3-31-21	1,750.00	Storey Kenworthy	lib	316.77
Center Point Large	books	88.68	Sunset Law Enforcement	amno	516.66
Centurylink	sewer phone-alarms-2 month	165.32	Testamerica Lab	sewer testing	693.00
City Laundry	uniforms	215.06	The Warrior Wash	jr	13.00
City of Calmar	reim postage	21.31	Total Tree Care	remove trees-kirkeberg,timp,k	3,200.00
Copy Systems	2-8-21 to 3-7-21	41.62	Treasurer State of Iowa	state tax	874.00
Culligan	fd-seasonal service	59.85	Verizon	cell phones and offices-2 mon	657.98
Decorah Electric	fuses for fire siren	87.86	Vernelle Holthaus	reim binders, copier cart	49.68
Decorah Tech LLC	new email conf-setuo off/on	210.00	Visa	jr-matt dnr,microsoft monthly	78.25
Dollar General	face masks	42.00	Wellmark	monthly premium	6,940.38
Fisk Farm and Home	matt safety toe boots	189.99	Payroll March		16,940.80
Hawkins	lpc-am,azone 125x3.53	1,751.03	Total		68,880.09
Heying Manufacturing	snow plow, lib, shop	31.82	Claims by Fund		
HRS LLC	water easement-by city shop	1,750.00	General		33,334.76
IAMU	jan-mar 2021 nisa	388.93	Road Use		4,494.06
Ingram	books	453.00	Benefits		8,744.14
IRS	fed/fica tax	5,113.14	Water		11,881.78
Iowa Workforce Dev	quarterly unemployment	70.70	Sewer		10,425.35
Ipers	ipers	3,710.40	Total		68,880.09
John Deere Financial	lib sump pump,shop	152.25	Revenue by Fund		
Keystone Labs	monthly testing	51.20	General		34,953.51
Kirkeby Welding	steel for flower trailer	156.80	Road Use		4,233.39
Klimesh Motors	fd-1989 f250 circuit breaker	83.98	Benefits		3,466.43
Kwik Star	fuel	1,220.84	Emergency		500.46
Malcom	gb and gf	6,514.57	Lost		19,300.16
Micromarketing	books	261.64	Debt Service		4,251.11
Mid-America Publishing	jan min,rezoning,budget,mar	418.26	Water		23,159.77
Mienergy	lighting 175th	57.29	Sewer		39,812.31
			Total		129,677.14

Soo Green provided a project update (Craig Schoenfeld and Neil Jones); Underground power line running 350 miles from Mason City, Iowa to Yorkville, Illinois. The route will primarily utilize existing railroad right-of-way. A franchise agreement will be coming soon.

Jan Pfiffner was present to discuss the fundraiser/4-H County Council Leadership Project being done by her grandsons Chance and Chase Adams (Saturday, June 12, 2021). The event "Pave the Way 5K" starts at the Calmar Lutheran Church in Calmar, Iowa. The proceeds go towards the paving of the Calmar Lutheran Church's parking lot.

Stanley Maroushek was present to discuss his situation about looking for a home for his woodcarving museum. Slim collected carvings from all over the world to show the different styles and different woods that each country does. A committee was formed consisting of council members Sam Sabelka and Keith Gerlich.

Judy Lensing was present to discuss her neighbor's dogs.

Al Severson at 408 S Washington Street was present to discuss his addition to the house. He will need to stake it out, so Junior can look at. We will put on the agenda for the next board meeting (May 3rd).

Libbie Case at 208 W Clark Street was present to discuss the fence she wants around the front of her yard. She will need to stake it out, so Junior can look at. We will put on the agenda for the next board meeting (May 3rd).

Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to set the date for the public hearing for 2020-2021 budget amendment (May 3, 2021). Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Mayor Frana announced this was the time and place set for a public hearing on the proposal to enter into a General Obligation Equipment Acquisition Loan Agreement. There were no comments written or oral received. The Mayor declared the hearing closed.

Motion by Schissel, second by Kirkeberg to approve Resolution #635 authorizing and approving a Loan Agreement, providing for the sale and issuance of a General Obligation Equipment Acquisition Note and providing for the levy of taxes to pay the same. Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Mayor Frana announced this was the time and place set for a public hearing to rezone Parcel 142536000900, 143610300100, 143610300200, 143610300300, 143610300400 from R-2 to I-1 (Industrial). Pete Weiland discussed the idea to take up the gravel, reseed and maybe barricade the north end of vacated street. The Mayor declared the hearing closed (Public Hearing actually took place at the March 1st meeting - April 5th agenda item 8 wrong, just need 2nd and 3rd reading).

Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to approve Ordinance #435 an ordinance to amend the Calmar City Zoning Ordinance by Rezoning and Changing Certain Property from R-2 Residential District to Industrial I-1 District. (2nd reading and waive 3rd reading). Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Gerlich to approve Resolution #634 authorizing the submission of a Community Catalyst Building Remediation Program grant application to the Iowa Economic Development Authority. Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to approve Development Agreement Between the City of Calmar, Iowa and Calmar Development Corporation (IEDA Community Catalyst Building Remediation Grant). Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Kleve, second by Kirkeberg to approve Ordinance #434 amending provisions pertaining to Subdivision Regulations and waive 2nd reading. Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Sabelka, second by Gerlich to approve purchase of a new police vehicle pending the USDA grant award. Aye: Schissel, Kirkeberg, Sabelka and Gerlich. Nay: Kleve. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Kleve to approve sale of city owned land (portion of Jefferson Street). Aye: Kleve, Kirkeberg, Sabelka, Schissel and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Mayor Frana announced this was the time and place set for a public hearing to vacate a portion of Jefferson Street and sell to adjoining landowner. There were no comments written or oral received. The Mayor declared the hearing closed.

Motion by Sabelka, second by Schissel to approve Resolution #636 approving the vacation of a portion of a street in the City of Calmar, Iowa. Aye: Kleve, Kirkeberg, Schissel, Sabelka and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Gerlich to approve Resolution #637 approving the conveyance of certain property owned by the City of Calmar, Iowa. Aye: Kleve, Kirkeberg, Sabelka, Schissel and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Kleve, second by Kirkeberg to approve Dale and Melanie Kleiner at 105 W Hancock Street building permit to redo their east porch. Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to approve Craig Neuzil at 101 Huber Drive building permit for drive-in beer cooler. Aye: Kleve, Schissel, Sabelka, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, second by Sabelka to approve Kuhn Trucking Inc. at 112 N Maryville Street (Application for Approval of Urban Revitalization/Tax Abatement Program). Aye: Kleve, Kirkeberg, Sabelka, Schissel and Gerlich. Motion carried.

Aaron Brincks's (307 N East Street) building permit to build a garden shop on existing cement was reviewed. The council wanted some more info, so it will be on the May 3rd agenda.

T.J. Schissel presented the Fire Department Report. They held their business meeting March 9th and training March 23rd (walk thru at the Winneshiek Dispatch Center and filling air tanks on Rescue 2 at Decorah FD). There were 3 pages with 71 volunteer hours donated for the month.

The Police Department report was presented in the packet.

Mayor Frana presented the Water/Wastewater and Street Department Report; Matt and Junior will be testing this week.

Don Wurtzel, Economic Development, didn't have anything to report (busy few months).

Mayor Frana presented the FEMA requirements for elected officials. He is going to talk to Sean Snyder and set something up with him. Our basketball courts and painted yellow lines were also discussed.

There was a brief discussion regarding nuisance properties. The council decided to proceed with the previous Contempt.

Motion by Kleve, second by Gerlich to adjourn. Aye: Kleve, Sabelka, Schissel, Kirkeberg and Gerlich. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

Keith Frana, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheila Bullerman