

City of Camanche, Iowa

January 21, 2014

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa, met in regular session January 21, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Fahlbeck, presiding and the following named council members: Willis, McManus, Lind, Varner, and Wruck. Also present were City Administrator Roth, City Attorney Lonergan, City Engineer Solchenberger and department heads Houzenga, Schutte, Rickertsen and Jindrich.

A moment of silence was observed. Mayor Fahlbeck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Varner, second by Willis to approve the agenda. On roll call – all ayes.

Consent agenda – In regards to Item #4, Fahlbeck asked Gary Kampe why he thinks he can run for the Planning and Zoning when before he couldn't run for council because of health issues. Kampe stated he has his health issues under control. Lind doesn't think Gary should be on the P&Z Commission because of his behavior at the candidates' forum. If Gary gets elected to the Commission, he doesn't want to be their liaison.

Moved by Willis, second by Varner to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve the minutes from the council meeting held January 7, 2014; approve Abstract No. 601 which includes the following:

ROBERT ALM	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	5.00
BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	BOOKS	308.41
BOSS INC	COPY PAPER	78.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	INV 78510-BRAKE PAD	96.38
CARRIAGE PAPER PROD CORP	THERMAL PAPER	82.87
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	853.49
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	10,352.03
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	2014 LICENSE RENEWAL	25.00
DAYMARK SOLUTIONS	QUARTERLY BILLING-PHOTO IDS	152.59
DEMCO INC	ID CARDS,LABELS	648.49
DETERMANN ASPHALT PAVING	PAY APP #4-9TH AVE CURB	1,458.88
DOLLAR GENERAL	GIFT CARD FOR SUPPLIES	200.00
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC	FLAT REPAIR-AMBULANCE	21.00
E C I A	ORDINANCE UPDATE	75.00
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHTS	119.03
GALE	BOOKS	43.98
GATEWAY SUPPLY LTD	OIL BASE SWEEPEING COMPOUND	25.29
ROBERT HOUZENGA	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	405.23
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL LOCATES	9.00
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS	526.64
J & C ENTERPRISES	JAN COLLECT,DUMPSTER-PHARMACY	747.72
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	DIESEL,UNLEADED	2,739.49
LECTRONICS INC	RADIO MAINTENANCE	222.50
LIBRARY PETTY CASH	POSTAGE,DVD,TAPE,SLIP NOT	188.77
WILLIAM LODGE	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	47.44
	TRAINING,OFFICE	
MASTERCARD	SUPPLIES,SOFTWARE	1,367.35
MEDIACOM	INTERNET-PUB WORKS,CITY HALL	170.25
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS	166.93
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	8,632.01
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR	AIR PACK TESTING	568.42
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	10,527.83

PANTHER UNIFORMS INC	BOOTS-KYLE KAMPE	95.00
PAULS DISCOUNT	P TOWELS,T TISSUE,WIRE,CABLE TIES	201.48
PEERLESS SERVICE CO	REPAIR,INSTALL WELL PUMP #3	13,215.61
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	CYLINDER RENTAL	60.75
PREMIER LINEN/UNIFORM	TOWELS	102.20
QLT	INDOOR BELL CHIME	12.30
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	18,240.00
THOMAS ROTH	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	28.20
STEPHEN RUNGE	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	42.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	INV 43473-SWIVEL FEMALES	137.81
RICHARD SCHMITZ JR	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	26.28
DAVE SCHUTTE	DEDUCTIBLES	4,633.92
SPRINT	CELL PHONES - POLICE	221.70
THE LIBRARY STORE	MAILERS,DATE DUE CARDS,LABELS	92.51
UNIFORM DEN	SAFETY BOOTS - DAMIEN HOUZENGA	101.00
UPSTART	BOOKMARKS,STICKERS,POSTERS	319.18
UTILITY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	REPAIR CLAMPS	441.44
PAUL VARNER	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	29.59
WATCON INC	2-55 GAL POLYPHOSPHATE	3,128.07
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	ROAD STONE-WATER MAIN BREAK	257.32
MICHAEL YACKSHAW	DEDUCTIBLES/COPAYS	120.00
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	674.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	V-BELT	7.49
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	662.51
GLOBAL PAYMENTS	CREDIT CARD MAINT FEES	49.19
NORTHEAST IOWA REGIONAL	MEMBERSHIP DUES	20.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	79.00
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	63.96
MID-STATES ORGANIZED	2014 MEMBERSHIP DUES	100.00
XEROX CORPORATION	COPIER MAINTENANCE-FIRE	65.20
DATAPATH CARD SERVICES	REPLENISH MYSOURCECARD	1,440.00
BASE	CAFETERIA MONTHLY FEE	56.25
UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERV	COLLECTION AGENCY	35.80
RACOM CORPORATION	REPAIR SIREN	450.00
TELVENT DTN, LLC	ANNUAL WEATHER SUBSCRIPTION	1,188.00
WALMART01	GIFT CARD FOR SUPPLIES	100.00
EICC01	HEART SAVER CARDS-LEU,JINDRICH	8.00
JUDY DELL	COLOR COPIES-DECORATIONS	52.43
QUEST DIAGNOSTICS	LAB DIAGNOSIS-SCHMITZ-PHYSICAL	25.00
SERVICEMASTER OF CLINTON	CLEAN CARPETS-LIBRARY	376.00
NATHAN BRICE	COMPUTER VIRUS REMOVAL	165.00
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 01/08/2014	68.07
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/17/2014	34,463.81
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTAL	CLAIMS TOTAL	87,989.21
	GENERAL FUND	56,307.79
	LIBRARY FUND	6,203.02
	PARKS FUND	1,812.29
	CEMETERY FUND	847.28
	ROAD USE FUND	11,665.37
	9TH AVE CURB & RECON FUND	1,458.88
	CITY HALL PROJECT FUND	620.00
	WATER UTILITY FUND	22,489.93
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	2,851.53
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	18,265.00

Approve City Clerk/Treasurer's Report for December 2013 with receipts of: General - \$121,157.41, Library - \$16,395.19, Parks & Recreation - \$5,593.92, Cemetery - \$2,925.42, Road Use - \$35,050.99, Employee Benefit - \$1,666.26, Police & Fire Pension - \$4,998.79, Perp. Care and Howson Trust - \$.25, Debt Service - \$9,555.01, Storm Sewer Improvement Project - \$163,683.52, Washington Blvd. Project - \$7.66, 9th Street Rec Trail Project - \$76,684.00, 9th Avenue Curb Project - \$120,485.00, 3rd St. Mill & Overlay - \$121,370.00, 21st St. Culvert Project - \$96,938.81, City Hall Project - \$2,001.08, Water Utility Fund - \$40,349.05, Sewer Utility Fund - \$61,745.23, Sewer Sinking Fund - \$16,009.96, Landfill/Garbage - \$34,150.96 for a total of \$930,768.51; approve Tom Hixson's resignation from the Planning & Zoning Commission, approve appointment of Gary Kampe to Planning & Zoning for a term ending January 2019, approve appointment of Chris Sheridan to Planning & Zoning for a term ending January 2017; receive, accept and place on file Police Department monthly report for December 2013 and Annual Report for 2013, Fire Department monthly report for December 2013; receive, accept and place on file minutes from Library Board of Trustees meeting held January 8, 2014, Historical Board meeting held January 8, 2014, Rose Hill Cemetery Board meeting held January 13, 2014; approve promotion of James Sowle to Camanche Fire Lt. effective 11/13/2013 (date of testing). On roll call – ayes – Varner, Willis, McManus. Nays – Lind, Wruck.

Washington Blvd. Project – Roth, Lonergan, Willis, Varner, and Fahlbeck met with Langman Construction and Solchenberger. Roth stated that it was likely that the City owes the money. Brian (Langman) said there was plenty of blame to go around. At the end, Shive was to meet with Langman, Eastern Iowa Excavating and Determann to get the final numbers (amount of curb line). Fahlbeck stated it was brought up in the meeting to have a clause in future contracts that all contractors meet before the final pay application to get all numbers agreed upon.

City Hall Project – Varner would like to have this tabled until after the budget process. It is be put back on the next agenda – February 4.

Rules of Procedure – they were adopted in 2011 to promote order at the meetings. Roth stated that Lind had asked about people speaking at the meetings. Roth said they are the council's rules. Lonergan commented that if any council member has questions or suggestions to contact himself or Roth. Fahlbeck stated the citizens have good ideas and he feels they should be allowed to speak at any time.

Des Moines Day for Clinton County – Roth stated he wrote an email to the area legislative members concerning the property tax, gas tax and cost of pension issues. The day starts at about 8:00 a.m. Fahlbeck said it was a good opportunity. He stated Roth's email was well written and that he had gotten some responses. He would like him to send copies to the council. Last year 4 attended from Camanche. Roth said he will be going. Solchenberger stated that Shive covers his expenses. Lonergan thought being seen doesn't hurt.

Moved by Willis, second by Varner to approve attendance of appropriate personnel to "Des Moines Day for Clinton County". On roll call – all ayes.

Solchenberger's report – The paperwork for Washington Blvd. Enhancement Project was submitted today to IDOT to hopefully be on the June letting. The 9th Avenue/Anamosa Road project should be on the May letting. He will discuss the designs with the council at the next meeting.

Roth stated he emailed a gentleman in Dubuque about senior housing. Dan gave this information to someone at Shive. He will be coming up on Friday at 11:00. He gathers the information and then goes to Minneapolis to speak with individuals.

Budget – Roth received information from Alliant about franchise fees and MidAmerican will get it to him. He was wondering if anybody wants any more information before next week's budget work session. The last date the public hearing notice can be published is February 22. Fahlbeck was wondering if the city could get an extension. Roth will check into it.

Fahlbeck stated he attended the Emergency Preparedness Meeting.

Wruck was wondering if the city council committee list could have the council member's phone numbers or email addresses listed on it. Jindrich informed the council members to give her what information they would like to have given out.

Willis commented that in the Rules of Procedures it states that the mayor controls the meetings.

Roth wanted to commend the public works employees for their hard work the last few weeks due to the water main breaks and snow removal.

Charlie Blount feels that Varner should excuse himself from voting or working on the budget because of conflict of interest since he was a former employee; especially since there may be a vote to cut employees. He has a fiduciary responsibility to the citizens. Fahlbeck asked Lonergan for his opinion. Lonergan stated the budget does not have anything to do with Varner's benefits. He could not be on the negotiating committee. Fahlbeck stated Varner was voted in by the citizens. He has abstained his vote on police matters.

Gary Kampe said he would like the P&Z position opened. If the council or the commission doesn't want him and they have somebody in mind, let them fill it that way.

At 6:48 P.M., being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Kenneth A. Fahlbeck, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich
City Clerk/Treasurer