

City of Camanche, Iowa

April 2, 2013

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session April 2, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Fahlbeck, presiding, and the following named council members: Willis, Kramer, Nelson, Varner, and Kampe. 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 Kampe, second by Varner to approve the agenda. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Kramer, second by Nelson to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve minutes from council meeting held March 19, 2013; approve Abstract No. 582 which includes expenditures of \$106,817.94 and salaries of \$33,603.17; approve promotion of Shane E. Nixon to Patrolman Second Class effective April 15, 2013; receive, accept and place on file the minutes from the Park and Recreation meeting held March 4, 2013, Library Board meeting held March 6, 2013, Rose Hill Cemetery Board meeting held March 11, 2013; approve renewal application for Adopt-A-Highway from the Kiwanis Club; approve an Application for Tax Abatement as submitted by Ben and Jennifer Damgaard – 1104 19th Avenue; approve renewal of Class C Beer Permit and Sunday Sales as submitted by Harlan Seeser, dba Camanche Marina; accept and place on file the resignation of Curt Cooley from the Library Board effective March 31, 2013. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Kampe, second by Nelson to approve a Resolution supporting Resolution 2013-1 which was adopted by the National Sheriff's Association in regards to the second amendment. On roll call – all ayes.

Roth recommends that the city go with 4 additional street lights from 17th Avenue to the bowling alley. Rickertsen commented that the city should just light the sidewalks at this time and then wait until the additional recreation trail goes in to decide if lights need to be placed there. It was the consensus of the council to go ahead with the additional 4 lights.

Request from the City of Clinton to participate in a Highway 30 Corridor Study from Low Moor to 7th Avenue – Willis suggested the city ask Clinton if 7th Avenue (from Highway 30 to the railroad tracks) could be included in the study. Before the council was willing to participate and spend the money they would like some questions answered. Roth will ask for a meeting with Mayor Vulich of Clinton and everyone thought Solchenberger should also be in attendance.

Moved by Nelson, second by Varner to provide funding for Camanche Days in the amount of \$2,000.00. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Kampe, second by Varner to approve a Resolution accepting the low bid of \$269,870.25 from Determann Asphalt LLC for the Reconstruction of a Section of 9th Avenue and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a contract for the project. On roll call – all ayes.

Solchenberger informed the council that he plans to get Langman, Determann, Roth and Rickertsen together within the next 2 weeks to go over the punch list items in regards to the Washington Blvd. Project.

Solchenberger stated that the 9th Street Recreational Trail will be bid mid-April. Once all the contract documents are approved by the DOT for the 3rd Street and 9th Ave. Reconstruction Projects, he will have the construction meetings on those projects together with Determann.

Roth stated he will be starting to re-write the job descriptions for city employees.

Fahlbeck commented that the city administrator's performance evaluation has been completed and Roth has signed off on it. He wanted to publicly thank Curt Cooley for his service to the city by being on the Library Board. He would like to set up a special meeting in a few weeks to address a few issues.

Nelson reported that a property owner south of the library will be doing from cleaning of the river bank.

Kampe stated that someone has donated a flag pole to Park and Recreation. He was wondering if public works could install it. Rickertsen was wondering if there will be a light on the flag. Kampe will check into that.

Schutte reported that the transition has been made to bring the building inspector position up to the fire station. He will get with the Clinton Herald to put an article in the paper about the transition. Fahlbeck thanked the fire department for taking this over and saving the city approximately \$12,000.

Charlie Blount was wondering if there was anything new on the 411 policy/work comp issues. He wanted to know if sick days had ever been put in the equation. Lonergan stated that sick days are not used for work comp injuries.

Larry Halweg stated he thought MidAmerican did a study of street lighting.

At 6:42 P.M., being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Kenneth A. Fahlbeck, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich
City Clerk/Treasurer