

City of Camanche, Iowa

November 19, 2013

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session November 19, 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, and department heads Houzenga, Schutte, Rickertsen and Jindrich.

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

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

Brandon Dohrn spoke with the new site manager with ARTCO. They agreed to do whatever with the lease to vacate the portion Brandon needs. Brandon stated he will bite the bullet and pay the cost to relocate the utility pole. Everyone agreed it should be surveyed. Brandon agreed he would get the survey. Kramer said if ARTCO is willing to work with Brandon, why wouldn't the city. Lonergan said the parcel needs to be surveyed. Then it can be determined the selling price – but need the square footage first. Roth also stated we can look back and see what the price was in the past when the city sold portions of alleys.

Moved by Kramer, second by Varner to authorize Roth and Lonergan to proceed with the paperwork to sell the parcel to Brandon Dohrn once the survey is received. On roll call – all ayes.

Consent Agenda – Kampe wanted an addition made to the minutes from last meeting. He had asked about handicap parking at other boat ramps. He wanted it put in the minutes that he was told there were handicapped spots.

Moved by Varner, second by Willis to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve the minutes, as corrected, from council meeting held November 5, 2013; approve Abstract No. 597 which includes the following:

AMERICAN ELECTRIC INC	BULBS-9TH ST FLASHER	171.00
BENGTSON-CARLBERG CONST	REPLACE HYDRANTS	6,104.24
BOSS INC	COPY PAPER,ENVELOPES	217.67
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	ABSORBENT	26.19
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS-OCTOBER	605.16
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	18,661.19
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	9,580.66
CLIN PARKING LOT STRIPING	STRIPE RR CROSSING/STOP BARS	543.90
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	YARD WASTE DISPOSAL	237.76
CNA SURETY	SURETY BOND-CLERK/EMPLOYEES	708.55
DATA TECHNOLOGIES INC	LICENSE AND SUPPORT FEES	5,947.98
DETERMANN ASPHALT PAVING	SWEEPER-WASHINGTON BLVD	472.50
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHTS	86.98
GALE	BOOK	20.80
GATEWAY SUPPLY LTD	MOP BUCKET,WRINGER	79.54
MARK HILGENDORF	DEDUCTIBLES	3.01
ROBERT HOUZENGA	DEDUCTIBLES	860.63
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL LOCATES	35.10
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS	462.84
J & C ENTERPRISES	NOVEMBER COLLECTION	127.72
SHERYL L JINDRICH	DEDUCTIBLES	3.57

KYLE KING	DEDUCTIBLES	25.00
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	DIESEL	833.97
CH LANGMAN CONST	FINAL PAY APP-#13-WASH BLVD	68,377.89
LECTRONICS INC	RADIO MAINTENANCE	311.50
LESLIE ELECTRIC	REPLACE FIXTURE-SHELTER-PL PRK	208.97
MASTERCARD	TREES,TRAINING,SWIVEL GLIDES	1,130.19
TOM MCMANUS BACKHOE	REP STORM DRAIN OUTLET,DIG GRAVE	785.00
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	109.95
MEDICAL ASSOCIATES PLC	PHYSICAL,VACCINES-MUSSMANN	100.00
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER-CLIN	PHARMACEUTICALS-OCTOBER	49.00
MEREMA BROTHERS INC	CLUTCH-CEMETERY	251.30
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	6,812.23
MILLER ELECTRIC SUPPLY	LED,FLOOD LIGHTS	244.15
JEFFREY MOORE	DEDUCTIBLES	120.00
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	9,755.60
POSTMASTER	BOX RENT-12 MONTHS	130.00
PREMIER LINEN/UNIFORM	TOWELS,RUGS,MOP HEADS	253.26
QC METALLURGICAL LAB	SAMPLE ANALYSIS-WELL #5	20.00
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	18,240.00
DAVE RICKERTSEN	DEDUCTIBLES	2,253.50
RK DIXON	COPIER REPAIR-POLICE	183.95
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	REPAIR CAMERA	359.18
SCHIMBERG CO	HYDRANT,PARTS FOR HYDRANTS	2,319.28
DAVE SCHUTTE	DEDUCTIBLE	3,999.62
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENGINEERING SERVICES	10,848.48
SLEUTH SOFTWARE	SERVER SUPPORT 1/1-12/31/14	1,127.70
TEAM TWO INC	BILLING FEES-OCTOBER	1,156.83
BETH THILMANY-BLUMER	BOOKS,INK CARTRIDGES	97.39
TITAN MACHINERY	PARTS FOR CASE TRACTOR	962.34
TOUCAN COMPUTING	IT CONSULTING	60.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	OCT SALES TAX	2,948.16
UPSTART	BOOKMARKS,NOTEBOOKS,MUGS	49.20
PAUL VARNER	DEDUCTIBLES	24.28
VOGEL TRAFFIC SERVICES	PAVEMENT MARKINGS	2,827.50
WALMART	CLIP BOARDS	7.02
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	STONE,GRAVEL	204.06
WINKELPARKER & FOSTER	PROGRESS BILLING-AUDIT	8,100.00
MICHAEL YACKSHAW	DEDUCTIBLES	102.94
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	674.00
CHRISTY LEU	WELLNESS PROGRAM	250.00
PETERSEN SANITARY INC	TOILET CHARGES	120.00
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	27795-SAMPLE ANALYSIS	79.00
XEROX CORPORATION	COPIER MAINTENANCE-FIRE	87.99
BASE	DEC CAFETERIA MONTHLY PAYMENT	50.00
REITZ CONSTRUCTION	CONCRETE WORK-SWAN SLOUGH RAMP	2,640.00
AMERICAN PATRIOT	DVD	19.99
LOOKOUT BOOKS	BOOKS	177.63
TUMBLEWEED PRESS INC.	SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL	299.00
ADAM ARCHER	PARAMEDIC COURSE	209.00
DON P JACOBS	APPRAISAL-OLD PHARMACY BLDG	1,950.00
TOYNE INC.	LUBE REPAIR KIT	173.38
GLOBAL PAYMENTS	CREDIT CARD USER FEES	180.99
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 11/08/2013	32,830.15
	GENERAL FUND	73,434.49
	LIBRARY FUND	3,730.27

PARKS FUND	4,758.90
CEMETERY FUND	1,648.48
ROAD USE FUND	10,946.04
WASHINGTON BLVD PROJECT FUND	68,377.89
9TH STREET BRIDGE FUND	384.91
9TH ST REC TRAIL FUND	460.44
3RD ST MILL & OVERLAY FUND	621.00
9TH AVE OVERLAY/ANAMOSA FUND	4,230.00
WASH BLVD ENHANCEMENT FUND	5,537.04
WATER UTILITY FUND	15,140.07
SEWER UTILITY FUND	22,326.03
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	18,477.76
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTAL	197,352.16
*****REPORT TOTAL*****	230,182.31

Approve City Clerk/Treasurer's Report for October 2013 with the following receipts: General - \$506,030.74, Library - \$13,505.03, Parks - \$5,883.42, Cemetery - \$3,120.42, Road Use - \$47,077.31, Employee Benefit - \$21,107.16, Police & Fire Pension - \$63,321.48, Edens TIF - \$4,424.19, Perpetual Care - \$300.00, Debt Service - \$141,115.39, Washington Blvd. - \$15.49, Water Utility - \$35,253.81, Sewer Utility - \$66,593.94, Landfill/Garbage - \$33,179.89 for a total of \$940,928.27; accept Abstract of Votes from November 5, 2013 city election; receive, accept and place on file Police and Fire Monthly Reports for October 2013; receive, accept and place on file the minutes from the Rose Hill Cemetery Board October 14, 2013 and November 22, 2013; approve Application for Tax Abatement as submitted by Alan and Bonnie Murphy – 1004 1st Street; set December 3, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. as the public hearing on the Budget Amendment for FYE2014. On roll call – all ayes.

Roth opened a sealed bid of \$510.00 for the sale of 2003 Ford Crown Victoria.

Moved by Nelson, second by Varner to accept the bid of \$510.00 from Jon Lee for the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria. On roll call – all ayes.

City Hall Project – Roth reported that we are moving forward. Lonergan is working on the title opinion. He has gotten a price of \$2,000 from Shive Hattery to get a drawing ready to be put out for bid. He would like the council to sit down with the architect to discuss the floor plan. We will not be having full blown plans and specifications. Fahlbeck questioned whether it was determined if asbestos was present. Roth reported that Bruce stated since there is no tile floors or pipe wrap there would be no asbestos. It was decided to bring Bruce to the next meeting – December 3, 2013 at 5:00 P.M. to go over the floor plans. Roth reported that the purchase price is \$175,000 with an appraisal of \$190,000. Bruce came in with an estimated cost of \$194,000 to remodel the building. He had put in a \$17,000 contingency fund that probably won't be needed. Kramer was wondering again where the money is coming from. Roth commented that the money is coming from a \$250,000 CD and the rest from reserves. Kramer thinks the \$300,000 cost is extremely high. The numbers need to come down. Roth informed the council that the bidders have to post a bond and since we are government, the city has to go through a bidding process.

Billboard – located on N. Washington Blvd. triangle. A nationally owned billboard company owned it originally and then sold it to Seesers with a stipulation they could keep the sign there. It has been brought to the city's attention that it might be on city right-of-way. Lonergan recommended that we have the parcel surveyed and see where the billboard is at. If in the city right-of-way, there are 3 options: 1. Leave it there. 2. Make them move it. 3. Find another parcel for them to locate to.

Moved by Kramer, second by Willis to have the city go ahead with the survey for the street right-of-way to see if sign is located on it. On roll call – all ayes.

Health Insurance Advisor – Roth would like to contact a health insurance advisor so we can get some advice on all of the legalities with the Affordable Care Act. Lonergan was wondering if he should check with the cafeteria plan and see if they can help. Roth was thinking about checking with Blue Cross again this year.

Budget – Roth reported that budget worksheets have been handed out to the department heads. January 14, 2014 – 6:00 P.M. – has been set as the first budget work session.

Lonergan reported that he just heard that the city won on 5 charges in regards to the nuisance hearing. He will be waiting for a copy of the judge's decision and will report back.

Roth would like the department heads to look at their budgets and capital expenditures. The council concurred that the budget process has greatly improved. He reported that the commercial property tax situation is depressing. There are rollbacks for the railroads, multiple family residences and trailer parks.

He is working on the Chapter 411 analysis. He is going to talk with Bob and Dave about it and then pass it on to Jim Griswold and Tom Lonergan. He will then get it out to everybody.

Fahlbeck asked Sheryl to put the board meeting dates and times on the bottom of the agenda again for the new council members.

Charlie Blount had a question on the property that the city is going to sell to Brandon Dohrn. Is it park property?

Blount was wondering why the city is using an architect for the pharmacy building. Why can't we use local contractors to design the building? Roth stated we have to comply with the public bidding law. If we went around it, we would be breaking state law. Anything over \$100,000 you have to go out for competitive bids. The architect is charging \$2,000 for his fees.

Blount would like the city to look into the costs of other types of generators for the city hall project.

At 6:59 P.M., being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Kenneth A. Fahlbeck, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich
City Clerk/Treasurer