

City of Camanche, Iowa

July 15, 2014

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session July 15, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Fahlbeck, presiding, and the following named council members: Willis, Lind, Varner, and Wruck. McManus was absent. 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 Lind, second by Wruck to approve the agenda. On roll call – all ayes.

Brenda Larkey, President of Camanche Days, wanted to thank the city for the electrical updates at Platt Park. She also wanted to thank the city for the donation. She stated there is a 20 member teen board who will be conducting a fishing derby and a dodge ball tournament the week before. The BBQ Cook Off will be held again this year. Jay Garvey will be in charge of the car show. Sunday night there will be a boat parade at 6:00 P.M. There will be no catfish tournament because of the high water. Camanche Days is still looking for king and queen candidates. A candidate must be 60 years old and live within the Camanche School District. On July 30 and 31, youth will be going door-to-door collecting donations for fireworks. They will be using the same vendor this year but will have no ground show. The theme is “Hats Off to Camanche”. They are trying to use the river a little more. Brenda will be the Grand Marshall.

Moved by Willis, second by Lind to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve minutes from council meeting held July 1, 2014; approve Abstract No. 613 which includes the following:

CAMANCHE SCHOOLS	CITY SHARE CROSSING GUARDS	1,144.50
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	BATTERIES FOR MOWERS	45.73
CLINTON HERALD	LEGALS,ADD FOR POLICE/FIRE	1,147.22
CLINTON HERALD01	ONE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION	159.49
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	10,431.89
BOX RENT AT BANK	BOX RENT-#7751	45.00
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	DISPOSE OF TV	19.00
IOWA DNR	ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY FEE	531.71
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC	TIRE FOR PARKS MOWER	21.95
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHTS	74.18
ELECTRICAL ENG & EQUIP CO	MAINT-EMERGENCY GENERATORS	997.50
EMER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	AIRWAY KIT,GLOVES,STERILE WTR	177.18
FASTENAL COMPANY	NUTS,BOLTS-7TH AVE LIFT	11.26
GALE	BOOKS	157.55
MARK HILGENDORF	SAFETY SHOES	200.00
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	NUTS,SUPPLY LINES-LIBRARY	12.60
IA INSURANCE DIVISION	ANNUAL REPORT-PERPETUAL CARE	60.00
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	MEMBERSHIP DUES	1,980.00
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS	758.79
J & C ENTERPRISES	JUNE-JULY COLLECTION	321.86
SHERYL L JINDRICH	COPAY FOR PHYSICAL	30.00
KYLE KING	DEDUCTIBLES	83.72
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	DIESEL,UNLEADED	423.42
LESLIE ELECTRIC	CLEAN LENSES-PARK,TROUBLE PUMP	339.06
LIBRARY PETTY CASH	COOKIES,PUZZLES,POSTAGE	187.06
MASTERCARD	CLASSES,POSTAGE,WEB FEES,TESTS	1,245.80
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	170.25

MEREMA BROTHERS INC	HOUSING,CONE,BELT-MOWERS	136.53
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS	112.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	3,659.33
MIDWEST WHEEL COMPANIES	ACCESSORY BRACKET	38.49
JEFFREY MOORE	DEDUCTIBLES	60.00
NATALIE MORSE	DEDUCTIBLES	386.48
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	12,043.32
N A E INC	WHEEL ABRASIVE DIAMOND	269.95
NAVY BRAND COMPANY	REDI-FOAM	120.33
NFPA INTERNATIONAL	TWO YEAR SUBSCRIPTION	300.00
PAULS DISCOUNT	BATH FAUCET,ROPE,PIPING,HANDLE	67.15
POLICE DEPT PETTY CASH	COMPLIANCE CHECKS,TIRE FIX	94.03
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	CYLINDER RENTAL	63.94
PREMIER LINEN/UNIFORM	TOWELS,MOP HEADS,RUGS	186.50
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	20,553.00
DAVE RICKERTSEN	DEDUCTIBLES,GLASSES,WELLNESS	1,301.67
THOMAS ROTH	DEDUCTIBLES	25.00
RICHARD SCHMITZ JR	SAFETY SHOES	200.00
DAVE SCHUTTE	DEDUCTIBLES	16.91
LES SHADLE	WAGES-CEMETERY WORKER	614.69
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG SERV-COUNCIL MEETINGS	538.52
BETH THILMANY-BLUMER	TONER CARTRIDGES,DEDUCTIBLES	398.36
THOMAS D LONERGAN	LEGAL SERVICES FOR JUNE 2014	2,731.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	JUNE SALES TAX	2,636.05
USA BLUEBOOK	WATER TESTING SUPPLIES	134.77
PAUL VARNER	DEDUCTIBLES	25.00
	95 GALLONS SODIUM	
VERTEX CHEMICAL COMPANY	HYPOCHLORITE	140.60
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	SAND FOR SAND BAGS	9.98
MICHAEL YACKSHAW	DEDUCTIBLES	181.12
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	809.00
PETERSEN SANITARY INC	TOILET CHARGES-PARKS	360.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	HYD HOSE FITTINGS	28.55
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
GLOBAL PAYMENTS	CREDIT CARD MERCHANT FEES	66.52
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	60.00
ANNA EVANS	CRAFT SUPPLIES	52.17
CLINTON ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLY LINES	28.67
P & K MIDWEST INC.	CART FOR CEMETERY	844.00
VOSS BROTHERS PLBG	REPAIR KITS-PLATT PRK RESTROOM	46.00
WORLD TRADE PRESS	LICENSE RENEW-ATOZ WORLD,USA	529.20
XEROX CORPORATION	COPIER MAINTENANCE	53.49
DATAPATH CARD SERVICES	REPLENISH MYSOURCECARD	150.00
BASE	MONTHLY FEE	56.25
UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERV	COLLECTION AGENCY	35.80
ABSTRACT & TITLE GUARANTY	NEW ABSTRACT-MUDGETT'S ADD	685.00
FACILITYDUDE.COM	MAINTENANCE ORDER SOFTWARE	3,160.00
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 07/03/2014	416.17
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 07/03/2014	32,439.35
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 07/11/2014	3,596.14
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLAIMS	CLAIMS TOTAL	74,952.84
	GENERAL FUND	60,580.82
	LIBRARY FUND	5,153.34
	PARKS FUND	2,524.96
	CEMETERY FUND	2,291.58
	ROAD USE FUND	6,139.39
	POLICE & FIRE PENSION FUND	646.24

CITY HALL PROJECT FUND	685.00
WATER UTILITY FUND	8,491.34
SEWER UTILITY FUND	4,319.83
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	20,572.00

Approve City Clerk/Treasurer's Report for June 2014 with the following receipts: General Fund - \$82,666.51, Library - \$11,601.35, Parks - \$9,335.60, Cemetery - \$3,150.42, Road Use - \$40,937.02, Employee Benefit - \$608.39, Police & Fire Pension - \$1,825.15, Perp Care Trust - \$100.13, Debt Service - \$3,488.72, Washington Blvd. Project - \$3.01, Water Utility Fund - \$34,550.63, Sewer Utility Fund - \$58,224.74, Landfill/Garbage - \$35,889.03 for a total of \$282,380.70; receive, accept and place on file Police Monthly Report for June 2014; receive, accept and place on file minutes from Park and Recreation meeting held June 2, 2014, minutes from Library Board meeting held July 2, 2014; approve Application for Tax Abatement as submitted by Joshua and Susan Vogel – 1101 Highway 67. On roll call – all ayes.

**Truck Route Ordinance** – Roth reported that it is tough to cover all the bases. Maybe the council just needs to go back and put weight limits on 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue, etc. Wruck stated he did some checking. Some cities have frost laws. In the spring when the frost is coming out of the ground, the city would limit or decrease the truck weight on these roads. Lonergan stated the council has approved the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the ordinance. This topic needs to be put on the next agenda and the council needs to vote down the reading so it can be taken off of the books.

**Computer Situation** – Bob with Platinum and Tom with Tri-City Electric was present to answer any questions. At the last meeting the council approved buying a server for the police station. The new server would be able to handle all of the city needs. The original proposal was too expensive. They came back with a different proposal. The city would lease the new server, keep the current hardware, lease the phone systems with voice over internet, hardware support, off-site backup, monitoring for security. The city would gain benefits in all areas for a cost of \$24.00+ a month more than what we are currently paying. Roth stated he is comfortable with the expertise of Tri-City and Platinum. He thinks the new proposal is the best option for the city right now. Lonergan asked what the council's wishes were. One thing that needs to happen first is get on the water tower to see the line of site. Bob, Platinum, advised the council to get the virtual back up for the police department. That should be the first step.

Moved by Willis, second by Wruck, to accept the combined proposal contingent on line of site. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Willis, second by Lind to receive, accept and place on file Dave Rickertsen's retirement effective January 23, 2015. On roll call – all ayes.

**RAGBRAI** – the city sent an application in last year to host the final day of RAGBRAI. Fahlbeck stated it will be a lot of work. He has had good feedback from the community. He would like to see if there is support from the council. Roth has heard a lot of people in favor of hosting the final day. He will check with the school to see if they are still on board for using their grounds for parking.

Moved by Wruck, second by Varner, to authorize Roth to submit an application on behalf of the City to host the final day of RAGBRAI 2015. On roll call – all ayes.

Lonergan reported that he had received a decision on the Beck nuisance. The initial hearing was held in the fall of 2013. The Court authorizes the work to be done to abate the nuisance – using the bid of \$5,000 from Calvin Leitzen. There is a 20 day appeal period. He recommends that the City should move forward. Lind questioned whether we have to amend the budget for this expense.

Solchenberger reported that the 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Hwy 67/Anamosa Rd project and the Washington Blvd Enhancement project will be up for IDOT letting on Wednesday.

Roth reported that the community newsletter is ready to be mailed. It will include a senior housing survey. At the RPA meeting, they discussed swapping Federal money for local money – no federal regulations. Distribution will be the same.

Fahlbeck wanted to extend on behalf of the city, condolences to Mike McManus and the Nancy McManus family. He wanted to thank Schutte for hosting the tour today and for going over the numbers. He encouraged those council members who were not there, to stop in. He also wanted to let the audience know that after the council meeting is adjourned, McClure Engineering will be doing a presentation.

Schutte thanked the council for stopping in and encouraged others to come in. He reported that he had received the new ISO rating. This rating is made up of 10% communications (law center, etc.), 50% - Fire Dept. (member training, reporting, records, etc.) and 40% water supply. In 2003, the City was a class 6 and in 2014 the City is a Class 4. The City is in the Top 17 communities in the country. This rating affects insurance rates.

Rickertsen discussed 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue Lift Station. It has been giving them fits all winter. It is undersized and not keeping up. He is working on numbers and he will email the council next week.

Bob Duncan was wondering if anything had been done concerning the Digitran lease. Roth stated they have sent them a notice and have unplugged their equipment. They haven't called City Hall. Lonergan reported that a certified letter has been sent. If the lease payments aren't made, the equipment is ours and we can dispose of it.

Troy Hilgendorf had some concerns about Central Park. There are cigarette butts and glass in the sand. The equipment is bad and the park is ugly. Fahlbeck advised Troy to go the next Park and Rec meeting. Hilgendorf asked if citizens needed permits to paint or fix equipment. The equipment is falling apart. Wruck advised him to start with Mike McManus who is the liaison with Park and Rec and had previously served on the board. Fahlbeck informed Hilgendorf that the next Park and Rec meeting is August 4.

Leon Doescher stated the lighting system is ridiculous in the park. The lights are off when the kids are playing basketball and are on during the night. Rickertsen said the timer might have been hit by lightning. He will have the guys reset the lights. Hilgendorf commented that the trees are over the lights in the Kwik Star corner. Rickertsen will check into that.

At 7:00 PM, being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Kenneth A. Fahlbeck, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich  
City Clerk/Treasurer

At 7:15 PM, McClure Engineering gave a presentation of Lincoln Rail Park Water Service. It's the master plan of the City of Clinton to provide water to the rail port. McClure represents the City of Clinton. They aren't here with any solutions for the problem. The water piece is prohibiting the site from being certified.

Terry Lutz, President of McClure Engineering, presented 5 options: 1. Drill Well; 2. Low Moor; 3A. Camanche supply, 3B. Camanche Water Supply/Low Moor; 4. Iowa American Supply; 5. Wells on Hawkeye Chemical site. He stated it makes the most sense to look hard at Camanche. The Camanche Water Supply Option would go West on 9<sup>th</sup> Street, 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue North and West on 21<sup>st</sup> St. Can Camanche water supply handle the load?

Dan Srp stated there are 3 large industrial sites in Iowa and the rail port isn't among those. It is not as marketable because there isn't water to the site. Camanche School District is in the rail port. School taxes could go down with the development.

Lutz asked – "What are you willing to ask your water users or tax payers to risk?"

Roth stated he would like to sit and make a list of the pros and cons.

Fahlbeck polled the council and they all agreed to have McClure go forward with the numbers. Lutz stated McClure will be making a presentation to the City of Clinton at the Ericksen Center, Wednesday, July 23 at 1:30 P.M.

The presentation concluded at 8:35 P.M.