

City of Camanche, Iowa

January 20, 2015

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session January 20, 2015 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 and department heads Houzenga, Schutte, Rickertsen, and Jindrich.

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

At 6:03 P.M., the Mayor opened a Public Hearing on the Airport Land Use and Height Overlay Zoning Ordinance. Roth stated we have an area on the western portion of our city limits. This same ordinance is being considered by the City of Clinton and Clinton County. Lonergan informed the council that he has seen this ordinance as he is on the zoning commission for the City of Clinton and he would recommend approval of this ordinance. After hearing no other issues, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:05 P.M.

Andrea Rumler, Winkel, Parker and Foster, presented the audit that their firm conducted for the FYE 2014. They gave a clean unmodified opinion. One of the issues they cited was the segregation of duties. Lonergan asked if this is just due to the lack of personnel. Andrea said "Yes" it was. They have to report this.

Moved by Willis, second by Varner to accept the audit performed by Winkel, Parker and Foster for the FYE 2014. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Varner, second by Lind to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve minutes from council meeting held January 6, 2015; approve Abstract No. 625 with includes the following:

BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	BOOK	31.28
BOSS INC	INK CARTRIDGES	179.93
DANIEL T BROADRICK	REIMBURSE FOR BASE DEDUCTION	20.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	BATTERY-SEWER JET,BOBCAT,TRK	301.77
CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	FRANKLIN,GRAY EMT	2,454.00
CLINTON HERALD	LEGAL PUBLICATIONS	577.08
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	10,571.75
CL CO AREA SOLID WASTE	DISPOSE OF TIRES	36.80
COMPANY ONE	CERTIFY EXTINGUISHERS	1,190.10
DETERMANN ASPHALT PAVING	PAY FINAL #5-9TH AVE CURB	20,287.99
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	SECURITY LIGHTS	107.27
EMER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	ELECTRODES,TEST STRIPS	353.81
FASTENAL COMPANY	DRILL BITS,BLADES	62.09
GALE	THREE BOOKS	72.77
GATEWAY DOOR COMPANY	SPRINGS,LABOR-CITY HALL	233.30
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	PIPE,GAS LINE-HEATER WELL #3	47.94
ROBERT HOZENGA	DEDUCTIBLE/COPAYMENT	421.46
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL LOCATES	18.90
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	MEMBERSHIP DUES	80.00
IMFOA01	ANNUAL DUES	55.00
INGRAM BOOK COMPANY	BOOKS	858.45
J & C ENTERPRISES	JANUARY COLLECTION	154.00
KEN KROEMER INSURANCE	PLATE GLASS RENEWAL	113.40
KWIK TRIP/KWIK STAR STORE	DIESEL,UNLEADED	1,347.49

ELECTRONICS INC	RADIO MAINTENANCE-POL,FIRE	222.50
WILLIAM LODGE	REIMBURSE FOR PHYSICAL	16.50
MASTERCARD	BINOCULARS,CLASSES,LIB SUPPLIES	2,003.22
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	170.25
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER-CLIN	PHARMACEUTICALS FOR DEC	49.00
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS	161.99
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	STREET LIGHTING	3,538.35
MILLER ELECTRIC SUPPLY	FLUORESCENT LAMPS FOR POLICE	182.76
NATALIE MORSE	DEDUCTIBLE/COPAYMENT	189.37
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	11,345.60
PANTHER UNIFORMS INC	UNIFORMS-FIRE	162.90
PAULS DISCOUNT	CLOTH ALLOW,PLEXIGLASS,ROPE	198.33
THE PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	121.79
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	MEDICAL OXYGEN	145.01
PREMIER LINEN/UNIFORM	TOWELS,MOPS HEADS,RUGS	235.37
QLT	INDOOR BELL CHIME	12.30
QUILL CORPORATION	TONER,CARDSTOCK	184.46
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	20,553.00
DAVE RICKERTSEN	DEDUCTIBLE/COPAYMENT	90.00
THOMAS ROTH	DEDUCTIBLE/COPAYMENT	95.62
RICHARD SCHMITZ JR	REIMBURSE FOR PHYSICAL	30.00
DAVE SCHUTTE	DEDUCTIBLE/COPAYMENT	450.35
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG SERV-WASH BLVD ENHANCEMENT	558.00
KELLI SMITH	REIMBURSE FOR BASE DEDUCTION	85.00
SPRINT	CELL PHONES - POLICE	222.08
TARGET BANK	DVDS	279.93
TEAM TWO INC	AMBULANCE BILLING-DECEMBER	961.17
BETH THILMANY-BLUMER	DEDUCTIBLE/COPAYMENT	69.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	DECEMBER SALES TAX	2,914.48
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	73.34
VERTEX CHEMICAL COMPANY	95 GALLONS SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE	140.60
W-S INDUSTRIAL SERVICES	SEWER MANHOLE CLEAN OUT	588.00
WITT'S SMALL ENGINE	BELTS	15.80
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	859.00
PREMIER PARTS INC	ALTERNATOR,BEARINGS	202.93
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	166.75
OPENEDGE	CREDIT CARD SERVICES	81.49
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	SAMPLE ANALYSIS	62.50
CLINTON ACE HARDWARE	ELBOW-FIRE	3.99
WHOLE ENERGY & HARDWARE	SMOKE DETECTORS	693.50
MUELLER CO	EZREADER SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	712.50
DATAPATH CARD SERVICES	REPLENISH MYSOURCECARD	1,020.00
HENDERSON TRUCK EQUIP	LIFT ARM	320.00
BASE	CAFETERIA MONTHLY FEE	43.75
UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERV	PLACEMENTS-LIBRARY	44.75
JETCO INC.	TOWER #1 ANTENNA,CABLE,LABOR	5,212.45
PLATINUM SMART INC.	DATA BACKUP	382.10
JUDY DELL	COLOR COPIES	15.79
TOM FRANKLIN	BLS HEALTHCARE PROVIDER	54.00
LEVI GRAY	BACKGROUND CHECK	109.75
ARMSTRONG MEDICAL		
INDUSTR	AED TRAINER	408.18
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/07/2015	747.51
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/09/2015	794.21
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/16/2015	34,939.19
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	CLAIMS TOTAL	132,516.99
	GENERAL FUND	59,935.80

LIBRARY FUND	4,855.10
PARKS FUND	1,860.50
CEMETERY FUND	48.93
ROAD USE FUND	8,493.43
9TH AVE CURB & RECON FUND	20,287.99
WASH BLVD ENHANCEMENT FUND	558.00
WATER UTILITY FUND	12,159.77
SEWER UTILITY FUND	3,727.67
LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	20,589.80

Approve and accept City Clerk/Treasurer's Report for December 2014 with receipts of: General - \$95,759.30, Library - \$14,076.19, Parks - \$9,194.42, Cemetery - \$2,900.00, Road Use - \$33,407.33, Employee Benefit - \$1,768.72, Police & Fire Pension - \$5,600.93, Perp Care and Howson Trust - \$.10, Debt Service - \$10,195.32, 9<sup>th</sup> Street Rec. Trail - \$10,403.73, 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. Curb & Reconstruction - \$1,108.74, Water Utility Fund - \$34,926.63, Sewer Utility Fund - \$60,120.59, Landfill/Garbage - \$33,927.88 for a total of \$313,389.88; approve a Resolution Amending the Delinquent Mowing/Trimming Special Assessment for 1710 Oakwood Court; receive, accept and place on file Police December 2014 monthly report and 2014 yearly report and Fire Department monthly report for December 2014; receive, accept and place on file minutes from Park and Recreation meeting held December 1, 2014 and Planning and Zoning meeting held January 13, 2015; approve appointment of Kris Melenbacker to Historical Board for a term ending July 2015; approve payment request #2 to Bob Edens Constructions in the amount of \$24,057.89 for work completed on the City Hall remodeling project. On roll call – all ayes.

**Community Center/Storage Building** - Roth reported that there was a committee meeting. They had talked about a 7,200 sq. ft. building at the tennis court and Garner Hall site. 3,600 sq. ft. for the storage building and 3,600 sq. ft. for a community center. Shive did a layout of the building and parking spaces. The grant is not due until April so there is time for the committee to meet again. He will give them the information we have so far.

**Contract Negotiations** – Lonergan stated there was a meeting last night and another session will be Monday at 5:30 P.M.

**Airport Land Use and Height Overlay Zoning Ordinance** - Lonergan commented that he is familiar with this since he is on the Zoning Commission in the City of Clinton. It is very confusing with a lot of tables, etc. He would recommend reading the ordinance by title only.

Moved by Willis, second by Varner to read the ordinance by title only. On roll call – ayes – Wruck, Willis, Lind and Varner. Absent – McManus.

Moved by Varner, second by Lind to approve the first reading by title only **Airport Land Use and Height Overlay Zoning Ordinance**. On roll call – ayes – Willis, Lind, Varner, and Wruck. Absent – McManus.

Roth reported that he had met with a representative from Employer's Mutual concerning work comp insurance. Our mod factor has dropped from 2.14 to 1.9. The City should see a significant decrease in costs. February 5 is the Clinton County Legislative Day in Des Moines. Some of the topics will be the gas tax or fuel costs. He was wondering if anyone is interested in going.

The Mayor read an email from the Camanche DeWitt Coalition seeking \$500 to support the coalition activities.

Moved by Wruck, second by Lind to approve giving the Camanche DeWitt Coalition \$500 to support their activities. On roll call – all ayes.

Willis wanted to personally thank Dave Rickertsen for his work for the city.

Varner reported that the Historical Society found some old tapes. They are of people being videotaped – they were telling the history of Camanche. He also said that on the front page of tonight’s paper was an article stating the City of Clinton was lowering their taxes. We are still a lot lower than them.

Rickertsen informed the council that they are thinking of having a small tank farm with brine. The state provides the brine to us free of charge and it would also be for their use. Roth commented that Dave Rickertsen has built great relationships with the DOT over the years.

Schutte told the council he attended a Clinton County Emergency Planning and Preparedness meeting. A few months ago the hospital was in diversion mode – they were full. The hospital is working on their policy. Camanche doesn’t have a policy or an agreement to go to another hospital. They are working on having steps in place.

At 6:45 P.M., being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting to be adjourned. There will be a 5 minute recess and then the City will have the budget session.

Kenneth A. Fahlbeck, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich  
City Clerk/Treasurer

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in special session January 20, 2015 at 6:45 P.M. at Camanche City Hall for a budget work session. Present on roll call: Mayor Fahlbeck, presiding, and the following named council members: Lind, Varner, Wruck, and Willis. McManus was absent.

Roth stated this budget was a little easier because there are not a lot of projects. The council could basically keep the tax rate at 11.99 and that still includes \$120,000 going into reserves.

The backfill from the State of Iowa, due to the commercial property tax change, increases the money given to us until next year. They will freeze the amount after year 3 – 2017. We will be getting \$46,000 for next fiscal year. Roth did not include the extra \$23,000 into the budget. The council could add that to the contingency fund or add it back into the general fund because of the deficit budget last year. Cities have 4 options to help with the freeze – 1. Come up with other revenue sources. 2. Cut expenses. 3. Spend reserves. 4. Raise property taxes.

Health insurance rates – there will be a 2.3% increase if the city stays with the same plan.

If the tax rate stays at \$11.99, there will be \$28,311 left over. That could go into the contingency fund. It can’t be spent unless the council says so.

Water rates need to be looked at. He was wondering how the council felt about splitting Christy’s salary between water and sewer. The council agreed to split it.

\$180,000 has been put for road improvements.

Houzenga gave the council a copy of a quotation from Taser International for the purchase of 8 Tasers. Three of them are not working. The cost to purchase 8 new ones would be \$11,884.20. He will be putting this item on the next agenda. They will have cameras on them. Wruck asked if the cameras are necessary since they have body cameras. Houzenga stated it would be wise since when you pull the taser it can block the view of the body camera. Or the body camera could be turned away from the direction the taser is pointing. Fahlbeck was wondering how many times the tasers have been fired. Houzenga reported 7 or 8 actual times. He will be using drug forfeiture money and reserves to pay for them. It is better for each officer to have their own.

Houzenga stated that in the future they will have to be going to electronic filing of the tickets. The State is mandating it – instead of writing tickets – they will have to do it electronically.

At 8:12 P.M., the budget session was adjourned.

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