

City of Camanche, Iowa

March 7, 2017

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session March 7, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Willis, presiding, and the following named council members: Metzger, Saxon, Varner, Lind and Wruck. Also present were City Attorneys John Frey and Randy Current, City Administrator Andrew Kida and department heads, Hilgendorf, Schutte, Reid, and Jindrich.

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

Moved by Metzger, second by Lind to approve the agenda. On roll call – all ayes.

At 6:02 P.M., the Mayor opened up a public hearing on the sale of old city hall to Cross Trail Properties. Vernon "Skip" Willits was present representing himself and his sisters, Billie and Jacque Willits, for properties at 217 and 219 9th Avenue. He has been working on means of egress on the backside of their properties. He wanted to address the council as their property goes 6 ft. into the alley way. He would like some type of agreement so they will have access to their property. Willis stated he has tried to contact the buyer. Willits was wondering where are the buyer's mind? Saxon stated he will keep Skip informed. Mrs. Joe Howard was wondering about the VFW property as it is up for sale. Wruck was wondering if we are selling the building "as is", what if the buyer doesn't agree to an agreement with the existing property owners. John Frey stated there are two options: 1. Go forward with the sale and it would then be up to the buyer and the adjoining property owners to come up with an agreement. 2. Postpone the approval of the sale until the buyers are notified; and then see about the agreement between the buyer and the adjoining property owners. Willits stated he has talked to the Mayor, Jay and the realtor. All he wants is a written statement and access. He stated the realtor told him the buyer is aware of the situation. He anticipated this problem. He believes there is a lack of communication. Randy Current said the offer states the closing is on or before March 31. The purchase agreement is now public record because a public hearing is being held. John Frey said there is still time to defer the sale until the next council meeting. The mayor declared the public hearing closed at 6:28 P.M.

At 6:28 P.M., the Mayor opened the public hearing for adoption of the FYE2018 budget. Kida stated that the tax value remains the same. Wruck was wondering about amending of the budget for the culvert project. It can be amended right away after July 1. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:29 P.M.

Moved by Lind, second by Saxon to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve minutes from council meeting held February 21, 2017; approve Abstract 675 which includes the following:

ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	2,037.56
BOSS INC	FILE CABINET,COPY PAPER,STENO	383.55
CAMANCHE VOL FIRE DEPT	MONTH MAINTENANCE,JR FF FEE	522.00
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	LARGE PRINT BOOKS	22.72
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	8,288.37
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	GARNISHMENT	784.62
DETERMANN ASPHALT PAVING	PREMIX,RIP RAP DISPOSAL	119.92
DOMESTIC PLUMBING COMPANY	CHECK BACKFLOW PREVENTERS	200.00
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC	TIRES FOR CEMETERY	120.00
ED'S CONCRETE & MASONARY	STREET PATCH-7TH AVE/14TH PL	6,880.00
GALE	BOOKS	48.78
GATEWAY UNITED WAY	UNITED WAY	20.00

MARK HILGENDORF	DEDUCTIBLES	42.80
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALL LOCATES	11.70
ING	DEFERRED COMP	500.00
IPERS	IPERS	5,696.81
SHERYL L JINDRICH	REIMBURSE FOR PHYSICAL	8.00
LIBRARY PETTY CASH	POSTAGE,CUPS,TAPE,GIFT CARDS	188.70
MAS MODERN MARKETING	STICKER BADGES FOR KIDS	256.48
	WTR MAIN,DIG GRAVE,SWER	
TOM MCMANUS BACKHOE	LINE	1,845.00
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	450.00
MEREMA BROTHERS INC	HYDRAULIC PARTS-MOWERS	66.10
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS	127.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	3,842.09
MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	6,787.48
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	MINI LAMPS	5.96
LIFE INSURANCE	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	882.83
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	SAMPLE TESTING	70.00
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	22,295.00
THOMAS ROTH	18 HRS@\$45,MILEAGE	943.22
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG-COMM CTR,COUNCIL MTGS	1,482.62
BETH THILMANY-BLUMER	LAPTOP-CIRCULATION DESK	481.49
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAX	3,381.00
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	SAND FOR WATER MAIN BREAK	84.96
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	904.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE/LONG DISTANCE	314.12
CAMANCHE HISTORICAL	25% OF 2016 UTILITIES	529.51
INSURANCE FUND	BASE	377.00
CAMANCHE KIWANIS CLUB	DONATION-EASTER EGG HUNT	100.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	EMPLOYEE SHARE PREMIUMS	958.72
AFLAC	AFLAC - PRETAX	723.48
AMAZON	DVDS	265.40
HSA JINDRICH	HSA- CITY BEN	1,000.00
COLIN REID	NEW UNIFORMS	565.67
HSA ALDERMAN	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA HILGENDORF	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA KIDA	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA LEU	HSA- CITY BEN	1,000.00
HSA LODGE	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA NISSEN	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA MOORE	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA NIXON	HSA- CITY BEN	1,000.00
HSA REID	HSA- CITY BEN	1,000.00
HSA SCHMITZ	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA SCHUTTE	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA SOWLE	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA THILMANY-BLUMER	HSA- CITY BEN	1,000.00
HSA WEINSCHENK	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA YACKSHAW	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA YODER	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA SMITH	HSA- CITY BEN	2,000.00
HSA ALM	HSABOB ALM	2,000.00
HSA RICKERTSEN	HSARICKERTSEN	1,000.00
HSA VARNER	HSAVARNER	2,000.00
HSA HOUZENGA	HSAHOUZENGA	2,000.00
HSA RUNGE	HSARUNGE	1,000.00

USBORNE BOOKS	BOOK	5.99
WINDFALL	BOOKS	102.80
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 02/22/2017	308.96
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 02/24/2017	27,999.12
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 03/02/2017	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	CLAIMS TOTAL	112,723.45
	GENERAL FUND	87,783.75
	LIBRARY FUND	5,798.16
	PARKS FUND	1,684.22
	CEMETERY FUND	1,234.17
	ROAD USE FUND	5,891.20
	COMM CTR/STORAGE BLDG FUND	916.51
	WATER UTILITY FUND	10,499.16
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	4,929.36
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	22,295.00

Approve renewal of Class C Beer Permit and Sunday Sales for Camanche Maria as submitted by Harlan Seeser. On roll call – all ayes.

Memorandum of Understanding – the City of Clinton will have to contact Junior Baseball about using their tractor for care of the fields. Wruck was wondering about giving Clinton money for softball. Kida said it is budgeted. It is up to Park and Recreation if they want to continue to give them money. We will not be running the concession stand. But we will rent it out if someone wants to run it.

Moved by Lind, second by Metzger to approve a Memorandum of Understanding Between City of Camanche and the City of Clinton Parks and Recreation Department in regards to the Use of Youth Ball Fields in Platt Park in the City of Camanche, Iowa. On roll call – all ayes.

Willis wanted to officially welcome Colin to his first council meeting in his new capacity. Reid read the February 2017 Police Monthly Report.

Schutte read the January and February 2017 Fire Department Monthly Reports.

Saxon would like to table the resolution directing the sale of old city hall to Cross Trail Properties until the next meeting. The council agreed.

Moved by Saxon, second by Varner to approve a Resolution Approving the FYE 2018 Budget. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Metzger, second by Varner to approve the appointment of Judith Dell to fill a vacancy on the Cemetery Board (term expires January 2020). On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Varner, second by Lind to approve the appointment of Terry Dell to fill a vacancy on the Park and Recreation Commission (term expires July 2018). On roll call – all ayes.

Change Order No. 1 – Community Center and Fire Storage Building – this change order removes the parking lot from the original bid.

Moved by Lind, second by Saxon to approve Change Order No. 1 – Community Center and Fire Storage Building – decreasing the original contract in the amount of \$32,023.00. On roll call – all ayes.

Bob Edens recommended including ground compaction into the new bids for the demolition of Garner Hall.

Moved by Lind, second by Varner to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Community Center and Storage Building – Robert J. Edens Construction. On roll call – all ayes.

Donation to Iowa Mississippi River Parkway Commission, Inc – Edith Pfeiffer had made a presentation a few months ago to the council. They are asking for a donation from the City of Camanche. The council was wondering if the City had contributed last year. It was tabled until next meeting so this could be researched.

City Attorneys Report – they have a proposed draft of the collective bargaining unit. There is a comparison from last year, the side letter, recent negotiations and Public Works and City Clerk Office contracts. If the City needs to have a discussion, we can have a meeting in closed session. Current stated that the biggest change they will see is the health insurance language.

Kida invited everybody to look around city hall and see the artwork that has been donated by Camanche High School students. There is one vacancy on the Board of Adjustment and Park and Rec.

Willis wanted to acknowledge the passing of Bill Rowe and of the dedication of 42 years of his life to the Fire Department. He wanted to thank the Fire Department for their part in the service. He would like everyone to support the Boys Basketball team in their next game against Western Hull at 2:00 on Thursday.

Varner wanted to commend Chief Schutte and the Fire Department for their dignity and outstanding job during Former Chief Bill Rowe's visitation and service.

Saxon stated he met with Colin. They would like to work on a Mission Statement for the police department. They would like to include public input in establishing one. Reid stated this gives the officers direction and insight. The current one was adopted from another city.

Schutte wanted to thank everyone for their kind words to the department. They wanted to give Bill Rowe a proper send off as he touched a lot of lives.

Joe Howard, 120 11th Avenue, stated he has taken good care of his property for the last 13 years. He takes good care of the city right-of-way. People will park in the city right-of-way, leave their vehicles running and it ruins the grass that he has worked hard at. He has put stakes out there and somebody has been damaging them. He cited an Iowa Code section that this is criminal mischief. He wanted this brought before the council. He has completed between 10-15 police reports in the last month. Willis stated he appreciates his concern. He will get with Colin and see what can be done. Kida commented that he looked in the ordinance and there is nothing that says people can't park in the right-of-way. Kida also reminded him that his markers are on city property.

Judy Dell wanted to thank Jess Snyder for coaching girls' softball the last 2 years when she didn't have anybody in the league. She would like to commend all the coaches and volunteers.

Tony Wynkoop asked Varner what the crime wave was that he had talked about on Facebook. Varner explained that people tried to bring into houses and had broken into vehicles. Tony wanted to know what the vendetta is.

At 7:16 P.M., the Mayor adjourned the council meeting.

Trevor Willis, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich
City Clerk/Treasurer