

City of Camanche, Iowa

September 6, 2016

The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa met in regular session September 6, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at Camanche City Hall. Present on roll call: Mayor Willis, presiding, and the following named council members: Metzger, Varner, Lind, Saxon, and Wruck. Also present were City Attorneys John Frey and Randy Current, City Administrator Roth (by phone), and department heads Schutte, Houzenga and Jindrich.

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

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

Mayor Willis opened a Public Hearing at 6:04 P.M. on the Amendment to Zoning Ordinance-Modifying Permitted Uses in B-3 adding residences on any floor other than ground floor. Hearing or receiving no comments for or against, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:05 P.M.

Willis read a Proclamation declaring September as Suicide Awareness Month. Metzger accepted it on behalf of Speak Out Against Suicide. On September 18 at 1:00 there will be a Breaking the Silence. The money they raise they give right back to the community.

Moved by Lind, second by Saxon to approve the consent agenda which covered the following items: approve minutes from council meeting held August 16, 2016; approve Abstract No. 663 which includes the following:

ADVANCE AUTO PARKS	TIRE FOAM,HUB,BEARING	370.47
ALLIANT ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	270.46
BANKERS TRUST	INITIAL FEE-16 GO ST IMPROVE	250.00
BOSS INC	INVOICE BOOKS,STAPLER	43.17
CAMANCHE VOL FIRE DEPT	MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	500.00
CARRIAGE PAPER PROD CORP	COPY PAPER-LIBRARY	100.40
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	LARGE PRINT BOOKS	90.26
CLERK'S PETTY CASH FUND	POSTAGE,BOAT TITLE,FLAG,DECORA	90.26
CITY OF CLINTON	28E SEWER CONTRACT	24,000.00
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	10,084.79
COLLECTION SERVICES CTR	GARNISHMENT	323.08
CULLIGAN	BOTTLED WATER,DISPENSER	28.95
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC	TIRE FOR CASE TRACTOR	173.80
E C I A	PERSONNEL POLICY UPDATE	1,344.00
ECONOMY PLBG/HEATING INC	INV 44329-REPAIR FINS-LIBRARY	95.56
EMBLEM ENTERPRISES INC	VECTOR ARTWORK FILES	75.00
FOLEY TREE CARE	TRIM TREES-ANAMOSA RD,CENT PRK	1,475.00
GALE	BOOKS	113.56
ROBERT HOUZENGA	SAFETY GLASSES	140.00
ING	DEFERRED COMP	500.00
IPERS	IPERS	6,649.09
SHERYL L JINDRICH	DECORATIONS,DEDUCTIBLE	65.49
LECTRONICS INC	SIDE JACK,KNOB-POLICE RADIO	97.93
LIBRARY PETTY CASH	POSTAGE,CRAFT SUPP,PICTURES	188.51
MEDIACOM	INTERNET	398.07
MICROMARKETING LLC	CDS	41.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	ELECTRIC SERVICE	4,889.82
MIDWEST BUSINESS	COPIES-CITY HALL, POLICE	76.90

PRODUCTS

MUNICIPAL FIRE & POLICE	MUNICIPAL PENSN	8,251.75
DALE NISSEN	REIMBURSE FOR PHYSICAL	20.00
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	CYLINDER RENTAL	67.85
PRESTO-X-COMPANY	PEST CONTROL-LIB,C HALL,G HALL	90.78
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	885.83
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES	WATER SAMPLES	70.00
QUILL CORPORATION	TONER-LIBRARY	96.99
RIVER CITY DISPOSAL LLC	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING	22,191.00
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	WHITE TRAFFIC PAINT	100.79
SHIVE-HATTERY ENGINEERS	ENG-21ST,EDENS,COMM CTR,MTGS	14,078.72
TEAM TWO INC	BILLING FEES FOR AMBULANCE	358.29
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAX	4,472.00
	MILEAGE TO SOLID WASTE	
PAUL VARNER	MEETING	32.40
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	263.89
WITT'S SMALL ENGINE	WEED EATER HARNESS	21.95
1ST GATEWAY CREDIT UNION	1ST GATEWAY CU	919.00
WINDSTREAM	PHONE/LONG DISTANCE	320.25
CHRISTY LEU	WELLNESS,DEDUCTIBLE,PHYSICAL	316.50
PREMIER PARTS INC	COTT PIN	29.08
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	447.87
CAMANCHE HIGH SCHOOL	7 BOXES GARBAGE BAGS	105.00
INSURANCE FUND	BASE	809.22
DATAPATH CARD SERVICES	REPLENISH MYSOURCECARD	180.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH CARE PREMIUMS	22,492.47
AFLAC	AFLAC - PRETAX	716.04
PLATINUM SMART INC.	SUPPORT,BACKUP,MONITORING	1,486.90
AMAZON	DVDS	272.47
PLATINUM LEASING	LEASE-SERVER AND PHONE SYSTEM	1,289.00
EDENS TREE SERVICE	TREE REMOVAL-CEMETERY	500.00
ATLANTIC TACTICAL	TRANING AMMO	271.60
ERIKA THOMAS	DEPOSIT REFUND FROM 3/2016	19.00
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 08/26/2016	33,301.00
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	CLAIMS TOTAL	133,652.21
	GENERAL FUND	78,573.65
	LIBRARY FUND	6,349.69
	PARKS FUND	1,703.00
	CEMETERY FUND	3,087.00
	ROAD USE FUND	5,288.18
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	250.00
	ANAMOSA ROAD/21ST ST FUND	6,992.50
	COMM CTR/STORAGE BLDG FUND	5,208.36
	WATER UTILITY FUND	7,264.66
	SEWER UTILITY FUND	30,045.17
	LANDFILL/GARBAGE FUND	22,191.00

Receive, accept and place on file minutes from Library Board meeting held August 3, 2016; approve renewal (pending dram shop) of Class C Liquor, Outdoor Sales and Sunday Sales as submitted by Danny Weller, dba Donald J's Poor House, effective October 10, 2016; approve Application for Tax Abatement for 1301 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue as submitted by Mem's Trust (Mitzi Dorathy); approve Draw #6-Edens Construction in the amount of \$41,009.60 for Community Center/Fire Storage. On roll call – all ayes.

**Old City Hall Appraisal** – the council was asked if they wanted a market analysis done or a full blown appraisal.

Moved by Lind, second by Saxon to authorize the city clerk to contact Cody Seeley to do a market analysis and if that isn't what he thinks we need to authorize him to perform an appraisal on the old city hall property. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Varner, second by Wruck to approve a Resolution Establishing the Level of Compensation for the Employees of Rose Hill Cemetery. On roll call – ayes – Wruck, Varner, and Saxon. Nays – Metzger and Lind.

**City Administrator Interviews** – it was decided to conduct the interviews on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 starting at 4:30 PM in 45 minute intervals. They would skype if someone can't make it. If the candidate is not available, the alternate date would be Monday, September 19, 2016. It was the consensus of the council to have the attorneys and department heads present for the interviews. The council is to get their questions to the city clerk by Friday.

Moved by Saxon, second by Metzger to conduct the interviews at September 13, 2016 starting at 4:30 P.M.; if they can't come in person they can skype; the alternate date is Monday, September 19 at 4:30 PM and if they can't come either date they will be removed from consideration. On roll call – all ayes.

Moved by Varner, second by Lind to read the second consideration of an Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the City of Camanche 9<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa by title only. On roll call – ayes – Varner, Lind, Saxon, Wruck and Metzger.

Moved by Lind, second by Saxon to waive the third reading of an Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the City of Camanche 9<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. On roll call – Lind, Saxon, Wruck, Metzger, and Varner.

Moved by Lind, second by Varner to adopt Ord. No. 741, an Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the City of Camanche 9<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. On roll call – ayes Saxon, Wruck, Metzger, Varner, and Lind. Mayor declared the ordinance adopted.

Moved by Saxon, second by Lind to approve a Resolution To Fix a Date of Meeting at Which it is Proposed to Approve a Development Agreement with RJ Edens Rental Properties, Including Annual Appropriation Tax Increment Payments in an Amount Not to Exceed \$350,000. On roll call – all ayes.

**Term Limits for Board and Commission Members** – Metzger stated that a lot of communities have term limits for boards. Willis questioned what is behind this. Metzger said there is good and bad having term limits. She feels if there were term limits it would promote change and growth. Wruck feels a lot of people don't know how many boards the city has. He stated that the federal government even has term limits. He said why we don't start fresh. Roth commented that it's a thankless job. You lose a lot of knowledge if you have set term limits. Willis stated that all of the meetings are open if people wanted to know what is happening. Saxon advised rotating the chair. Judy Dell was wondering how many terms are you asking. Metzger said two (2). Roth stated that the long term members are the backbone of the boards. It's hard to find volunteers. Varner feels they should leave well enough alone. Charlie Blount asked how you can compare this with the federal governments when it's volunteers. He said to leave well enough alone. It was the consensus to leave it alone for now.

**Disposal of Items at Garner Hall** – Jindrich stated there are 75 chairs downstairs at Garner Hall that are in great condition. She can still get some of these. She also priced the white resin tables. The council agreed to go with the burgundy chairs and the white tables. The items will be gone through at Garner Hall. Anything worth selling will be brought up upstairs – let the department heads have first dibs and anything left will be sold at a garage sale.

Roth stated the knee surgery and recovery is worse than he anticipated. He will be getting back in the real near future.

Willis had somebody comment to him that they are pleased with the workout stations in the parks.

Metzger was wondering about the parade route. Willis asked what would you like to talk about. Metzger said when she brought this up it had nothing to do with the Kiwanis – it had to do with safety. Pat Haley stated she was told the matter was going to be taken off the agenda. Myrna Weller feels the present route is the best. Willis said if it's a safety issue – down by the river is better. Wruck said the safety issue or concerns are the side streets where people's driveways are being blocked. Houzenga said there is no issue on the police department's part being down there. Having it on Washington Blvd there are more intersections and interfering with businesses, i.e. Casey's, Kwik Star, the post office and the bank. Schutte stated beside the narrower streets, there were no issues for the fire department. Houzenga commented that if there are driveways blocked, they should call the police. Saxon said he feels Washington Blvd. is less busy. Donna Current said there are a lot of volunteer hours spent on the parade. She wishes people would contact Don or John to see what things can be done to change things. Metzger asked "Are we going to establish a parade route?" Wruck would like to see one route but I don't want to tell the school or Kiwanis how to run their parade. Charlie Blount stated if someone has a complaint they should file a formal written complaint.

Saxon brought up the Safe Trade Zones. It would be marked out with blue paint and have cameras. It would be used for custody issues and internet sales. We would need software storage and a camera. Houzenga will look into pricing of the cameras.

Jindrich stated that she and Metzger will be attending the League of Cities meeting next week in Des Moines.

Houzenga said in regards to his retirement, he was wondering about the pro-rated vacation pay. It was given to Roth and he would like the council to consider giving it to him. He would like it put on the next agenda.

Donna Current said when she was coming home from work; it was so wonderful to see all the flags. She saw two people taking them down and realized it was Judy and Terry Dell.

Judy Dell wanted to invite everyone to planting of 25 trees. It will be Thursday, October 6 at 9:00 AM in Central Park and 4:00 PM in Platt Park. Digging will be October 5 at 8:00 AM. The rain date will be October 10 – 9:00 AM at Central Park and 4:00 at Platt Park. The trees are through Alliant Energy. Charlie Blount said he has several different size augers that they can use. They would need a skid loader to haul it though.

Gary Tucker said that Low Moor has a new neon message board. If we had one of those, we could put the dates of the board meetings on it.

Pat Haley stated there are petitions going around town asking for the 8<sup>th</sup> officer.

Tony Wynkoop commented that he has a cleaning solution that will clean the resin tables at Garner Hall.

Jess Paul stated he is thinking about moving to Camanche because of the decrease in crime. He likes to see the decrease in meth that's in Camanche. He is sad to see the decrease in the police force. Don't mess with it. He has 25 years in law enforcement. Charlie Blount was wondering what his profession was.

Myrna Weller said the council is making people upset when you screw around with the security of the city. She feels the town needs 2 officers at night. She is upset with the council. She would like the council to rescind their decision.

At 7:47 P.M., the Mayor declared the regular meeting to be adjourned. The council will take a 5 minute recess and come back for the work session.

Trevor Willis, Mayor

Sheryl L. Jindrich  
City Clerk/Treasurer

The council came back for a work session at 8:02 P.M. Wruck could not stay for the meeting. Willis would like the work session to be with a full council. He would like to put it on an agenda.