

**Calmar City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 5, 2011 @ 7:00 P.M.
Calmar Fire Station**

Mayor pro-tem Larry Huinker called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 5, 2011. Present were: Huinker, Meyer, Anderson and Kleve. Mayor McCasland and Isaac Phillips were absent.

Various items in monthly reports and claims were discussed and explained. Motion by Anderson, second by Kleve to approve the consent agenda (agenda, minutes of June 6, 2011, clerk/treasurer reports and the June 2011 claims) Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Kleve and Meyer.

Claims June 2011			Marv Smith Elec	pool	663.44
ACCO	chemicals	493.40	Mc Myers Cox Co	concession	399.92
Iroc Web	library web site	1200.00	Michele Elsbernd	lifeguard suits	306.00
Alliant	electricity	6587.19	Micromarketing	audio books	65.98
ALA	flags	45.00	Mississippi Valley Pump	pump & labor	8310.00
Aramark	uniform	98.72	Napa	pool supplies	44.97
Astelford International	balance on truck	35995.00	NE Iowa Tree	sire up & down	300.00
Bankers Trust	loan payment	119636.25	Ossian Bee	renewal	28.00
Black Hills	gas	849.22	Pepsi	concessions	268.45
Book Look	books	434.68	Postmaster	box rent, postage	174.78
Brian Zweibohmer	mileage	24.00	Postville Vet Clinic	ship samples	67.25
Buchheit Appl	freezer pool	249.00	Qwest	phone	420.50
Calmar Courier	publishing	144.16	Rite Price Office	paper,fees,toner	539.16
Center Pt. Lg. Pnt	books	82.68	Rosen Publishing	books	280.35
Centurion Tech	maintenance renewal	50.00	Rourke Publishing	reference books	53.85
City Laundry	tissue, towels, soap etc	490.31	Schwan's	concession	408.07
Cling Rogers	cpr certifications	232.00	Sherwin Williams	supplies	32.49
Crystal Canyon	water cups	3.50	Tekippe Engineering	wastewater advisory	247.80
Decorah Electric	backup wwtp processor	3852.90	Treas State Ia	taxes	4380.00
Decorah Electric	siren	15000.00	US Cellular	phone	237.15
John Deer Financial	supplies	77.64	Utility Equipment	additional & balance	25653.11
Delta Dental	premium	87.00	Vick's Plmb	gaskets pool	8.70
Electric Motor Shop	repair motor	608.43	Walmart	concessions	974.87
Farmers Union co op	fuel police	1412.42	Wellmark	premium	5441.93
Hach	chemicals	319.93	Winco	calcium chloride	63.00
Hawkins	chemicals	1512.64	Windridge	truck box	2100.00
Heying Lumber	supplies	189.17	Payroll	June	23231.57
Hubers Store	misc supplies	10.97	Total		418,701.75
	pesticide applicator		Claims by fund		
Idals	license	30.00	GENERAL		59,993.60
IDNR	testing appl	120.00	ROAD USE TAX		37,710.26
Ingram	books	314.23	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		4,526.09
IRS	taxes	6081.25	WATER		160,621.50
Iowa Finance Authority	loan payment	118160.00	SEWER		152,442.30
Iowa League of Cities	league yearly dues	565.00	Total		415,293.75
Iowa One Call	service fees	43.00	Revenue by fund		
Iowa Workforce	unempl	1234.24	General		28,649.08
Ipers	ipers	3027.62	ROAD USE TAX		3172.62
Junior Boyer	Busta & Bullerman siren	11.77	Benefits		187.54
Junior Library Guild	books	167.40	Emergency		22.42
K & W Coatings	exterior painting tower	16000.00	Lost		8,787.19
Kay Park - Rec	umbrellas	227.33	Tif		277.14
Keystone Labs	testing appl	286.10	Debt Service		5037
Klimesh Motors	fire dept repairs	716.18	Water		16995.12
Kwik Star	fire dept fuel	1057.67	Sewer		34110.59
Malcom Ent	garbage June	6068.19	Total		97,238.70
Marv Smith Elec	light exterior etc	204.22			

The Fire Department report was presented. Meyer stated that the department will sound the siren daily at 6:00 P.M. instead of at noon. The siren is sounded daily for testing purposes. All the sirens are also tested on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month during their meeting and training nights. Meyer stated that they had their new truck and council could look at it after the meeting. HE also explained that the old jaws truck is getting a new aluminum flat bed and will become a truck to fight grass fires. Anderson stated that CSI from Ossian sells the Rescue tube that had been discussed at the previous meeting. This tube is for grain bin rescue. Luther stated that several people indicated they would possibly donate toward the purchase of this rescue tube for AREA use. Kleve stated he felt that donations could cover the cost. The department has room on their new rescue truck for this tube. The cost is approximately \$ 2,400.00.

The Police Department report was discussed. Ward stated he had visited with the Taser sales person and had a quote for the X-2 dual shot Taser without the camera. The cost to purchase just the Taser is \$ 1417.79. Holster, belt clips and supplies are in addition to this price. Ward stated that Decorah and the county are also looking at Tasers and that between them they would have to get someone certified to be a trainer. Ward also stated he would develop a policy for the police department handbook which would clarify when a Taser is used, forms to complete after it is used and designate who would remove the prongs after use. Council encouraged Ward to develop a policy for review. Anderson commended the department for the job they are doing. Also discussed was mutual aid and areas where the department runs their radar. Semi parking on city streets was discussed. The city will designate an area where they can be parked but will no longer be allowed to park on the city streets due to weight restrictions.

The street department report was discussed. Matt stated that they had been using the tar & chip machine from the county and that Blacktop Services were due to begin the street work before the end of July. He also stated that he had the new dump truck outside if anyone wanted to see it.

The water/wastewater report was discussed. We have still not heard from the DNR regarding the requested permit change. Tekippe had emailed the clerk he would again check with the DNR on the status of the change.

Anderson reported on the County Comprehensive Smart Planning Committee meeting. He reported there will be a survey asking the public what they feel is needed and important. The survey should be available before the County Fair and will be able to be completed online or on paper. Forms will be available at the fair and area clerk's office. The information will also be available in the next city newsletter. Anderson also stated they intend to have public meeting to get citizen input.

Appointment to the library board was discussed. Mary Welch withdrew her name from the list of people interested in the appointment. Connie McCasland, Brandi Schissel and Paula Bakken had stated they were interested in the positions. Larry Huinker, in the absence of the mayor proposed Connie McCasland and Brandi Schissel be appointed to the Calmar Library Board. Motion by Anderson, second by Kleve to approve McCasland and Schissel be appointed to the board. Aye: Huinker, Kleve, Anderson and Meyer.

The Zoning of the Calmar Industrial Park was discussed briefly. Currently the City Engineer is checking the status of the current zoning of the property. Maps state this is currently I-2 Industrial and if this is the case no action is needed.

The proposed Interstate Power and Light (Alliant) franchise was discussed. The proposed ordinance has been changed to include franchise fees should the city elect to collect them. The attorney has looked the documents over and feel they are in order. Motion by Meyer, second by Anderson to set August 1, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at the Calmar Fire Station as the time and place for the public hearing to consider adoption of Ordinance # 351 granting a 25 year franchise to Interstate Power and Light Company. Aye: Huinker, Anderson, Kleve and Meyer.

The donations to the little league complex were discussed. The clerk will submit items to the area papers shortly and signage recognizing their donations will be installed at the field.

Sidewalk repairs were discussed. There are several property owners that have not completed the required repairs. Letters will be sent with a deadline for completion of the repairs.

A request for a mobile food cart was discussed. The City has no problem with this providing the owner can find a place to put the cart on private property and they comply with all state regulations.

Huinker declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Larry Huinker
Mayor pro-tem

ATTEST:
Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk