

**Calmar City Council Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 4, 2005**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**Calmar Fire Station**

Before the meeting during the comments section a problem was brought to the council's attention regarding sale of property, which included part of a street, vacated in 1985. All documents were not properly registered at the county recorders office at that time costing the property owner an additional \$ 212.00.

Mayor McCasland called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were Kleve, Patrick, Shindelar, Vondersitt and Zweibahmer.

Motion by Kleve, second by Patrick to approve the minutes of the March 7<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>. and April 1<sup>st</sup> meetings. All aye.

Motion by Patrick, second by Kleve to approve the agenda with an addition regarding the police car and where it is kept when the officer is not on duty. All aye.

The fire department report was discussed and accepted as presented.

The police department report and schedule were presented. Motion by Zweibahmer, second by Patrick to purchase a Ford Explorer from Klimesh Motors at a cost of \$ 21, 097.00. Aye: Shindelar, Patrick and Zweibahmer. Nay: Vondersitt & Kleve. Motion carried. Discussed was the requirement to keep the Calmar Police car in Calmar. It was agreed that it would stay in Calmar in the future.

A problem developed at the West Side lift station on Saturday. A 6-gate valve in the dry pit split. This could have happened due to a faulty valve or settling around the area. The DNR was notified of the problem. The valve will be replaced with the possible addition of a flexible coupling. Motion by Shindelar, second by Vondersitt to approve PPE # 7 for Kitchen Construction in the amount of \$ 24,995.54. All aye. The water treatment project is scheduled to begin next week. Also discussed was the radius on South Street where work was done during the lift and force main project. The street committee will meet and discuss options to eliminate the problem.

The water/wastewater report was presented and accepted. The last water meter has been replaced. Mr. Penrod also stated that he would like to order 4 fire hydrants and valves. One would be for installation on South Street to replace the hydrant that will be inside the lift station fence and the others to replace obsolete hydrants.

Motion by Vondersitt, second by Patrick to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance # 305 regarding separate metering for outside watering. All ayes.

Discussed was the agreement for garbage service between the City of Calmar and Malcom Enterprises. Motion by Shindelar, second by Kleve to approve resolution # 393 accepting and approving the agreement. All ayes.

The street department report was discussed. Mr. Boyer stated that he had bladed the alleys and rocked several. Problems with a few alleys were discussed. The repairs to the International tractor need to be completed so it can be used to mow shortly. A cost estimate is needed so repairs can be completed. The application s for summer help was discussed. The committee and Mr. Boyer will review and a decision will be made after interviews. The problem with items deposited at the brush pile by the city shop was discussed. There are many items deposited there that shouldn't be. The site is for yard waste, small tree limbs/branches and grass clippings. Guidelines will be developed and residents informed in the next newsletter. The removal of snow in the Rolling Hills addition was discussed. A storm sewer intake near Graphics has been damaged. Sidewalks will be inspected for

defects and prioritized for needed repairs. Letters will be sent to the affected property owners regarding repairs. Mr. Boyer will check the status of repairs to the dump truck.

Motion by Shindelar to donate \$ 250.00 to the 'Summer Kids Club' program. Motion died for lack of second.

The proposed lease with Mediacom was discussed. Council requests more discussion with them regarding this matter.

Mayor McCasland is still looking for a community volunteer to be a member of the Upper Explorerland Housing Authority board.

Discussed were the trees on city property near the proposed new school parking lot area. The council stated that the trees would not be removed from the boulevard.

The raise for the pool manager will be effective on July 1<sup>st</sup> when all raises go into effect.

Motion by Zweibahmer, second by Vondersitt to approve the Cigarette permit application for the Horseshoe. All ayes.

Claims were reviewed. Motion by Shindelar, second by Kleve to approve claims to the general and wastewater project funds. All ayes.

#### **Claims March 05**

A. & J. Petersburg	insurance	24010.00
ACCO	pool	3151.58
Ace Telephone	phone	17.95
Advanced Water	chemicals	403.48
Alliant	electricity	4141.54
Aquilla	gas	1318.07
Audio Editions	library	75.85
Business Systems	maint agree	71.93
Calmar Courier	add	213.93
City Laundry	uniform	137.95
Crystal Canyon	water	15.98
Data Tech	registration	95.00
Decorah Newspapers	add	20.83
Demco	library	217.00
Farmers co op	fuel	113.89
Heying Lub	supplies	3.82
I A M U	dues	424.38
Ingram	library	312.04
IRS	fed/fica	3649.94
IA Dept. of P.H.	pool	60.00
Iowa Rural Water	dues	337.50
Iowa Workforce	unempl	612.74
IPERS	ipers	1686.07
Iroc Web Design	services	25.00
Keystone Labs	testing	270.00
Kitchen Const	ww project	24995.54
Klimesh Motors	repairs	504.96
Kwik Star	fuel	526.28
Library Video Co	library	31.85
Linda Crossland	reimb	6.60
M & M Family Market	supplies	9.14
Malcom Enterprises	garbage	6060.53

Municipal Pipe Tool	services	2646.70
Napa	supplies	86.97
Norby	supplies	16.25
Panscend	services	177.72
Postmaster	postage	256.00
Postville Vet Clinic	shipping	73.75
Presto	pest control	31.00
Qwest	phone	583.66
Rite Price Office	supplies	108.19
Rogers Lock & Key	services	83.76
Sagebrush Corp	library	450.00
Teen Vogue	library	7.97
Tekippe Engineering	services	6156.30
Treas. State IA	sales tax	3696.10
US Cellular	phone	313.70
Usgard & Smith	services	39.99
Walmart	supplies	351.47
Welmark	premium	2058.35
Winn Title & Abstract	services	465.00
Payroll	payroll	10880.87
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>102005.12</b>

**Claims by fund**

GENERAL	50392.74
ROAD USE TAX	1682.39
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	2131.43
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND	29940.54
WATER	9514.92
SEWER	8343.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>102005.12</b>

**REVENUE**

GENERAL	12101.76
ROAD USE TAX	8660.11
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1440.23
EMERGENCY LEVY	119.34
TIF	1214.35
DEBT SERVICE	135.67
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND	58763.71
WATER	9158.83
SEWER	23473.97
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115067.97</b>

Mayor McCasland declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd  
City Clerk

Joe McCasland  
Mayor