

**CALMAR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 7, 2007 @ 7:00 P.M.
Calmar Fire Station**

The regular meeting of the City Council of Calmar, Iowa was held at the Calmar Fire Station on May 7, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor George Willis presiding.

On call of the roll the following members were present: Kleve, Zweibahmer, Vondersitt and Patrick. Anderson arrived at 7:20 P.M.

Council member Kleve moved that the minutes of the April 2, 2007 and April 23, 2007 meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by Zweibahmer. Aye: Vondersitt, Patrick, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

The clerk noted that an addition was made to the posted agenda on Friday after the packets were distributed to the council members. Item City group health insurance renewal was added between Outdoor furnaces and one way parking on Hancock Street. Council member Patrick moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Seconded by Vondersitt. Aye: Vondersitt, Patrick, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

Council member Zweibahmer moved that the public hearing be opened at 7:05 P.M. regarding the budget amendment 06-07. Seconded by Patrick. Aye: Vondersitt, Patrick, Kleve and Zweibahmer. The clerk noted that there were no written or oral comments. The clerk explained the reason for the amendment. Council member Zweibahmer moved that the public hearing be closed at 7:07 P.M. Seconded by Patrick. Aye: Vondersitt, Patrick, Kleve and Zweibahmer. Council member Patrick moved to approve Resolution # 423 approving the Budget Amendment 06-07. Seconded by Kleve. Aye: Vondersitt, Patrick, Kleve and Zweibahmer.

Dave Klimesh requested a hearing before the council regarding a notice of code violation that Klimesh Motors had received regarding abatement of junk cars. He asked for the councils permission for an extension to abate or if a fence could be installed around the cars. Council members felt that a fence fit the definition of an enclosed structure and agreed to his proposal of a white steel 8' fence around the area.

The Fire Department was accepted as presented. It was noted that the department had applied for a grant. Their annual family picnic will be June 23r.

The Street Department Report was discussed. The summer help has been working part time until school is out. Bids were reviewed for the concrete floor work at the city shop. Junior Boyer stated that he was expecting another bid and Mayor Willis stated he had someone that might also be interested in submitting a bid, these will be reviewed at the June meeting. Knife River submitted a bid for placing 5" of H.M.A. on Henry Street from Kwik Star west to Charles Street at a cost of \$ 34,580.00 with an additional cost of \$ 4,650.00 for milling and hauling of millings. Option 2 quoted an additional 3" core out and placement of recycled millings should be base not be sufficient at a cost of \$ 6,950.00. The quote was also received from CFI at a substantially higher cost. CFI submitted a bid for the 2007 seal coating at a cost of \$ 38,953.00. A quote is also expected from Knife River for seal coating also. The committee will review the seal coat bids when they arrive. A motion was made by Vondersitt to have the street committee review the bids and to authorize acceptance of the lowest bid. Seconded by Kleve. Aye: Vondersitt, Patrick, Kleve and Zweibahmer. The ordinance regarding mowing of grass was discussed; a notice will be placed in the paper so people know the requirements. Sidewalks will be inspected in June to verify that all previously required repairs have been made and if any new sidewalk problems need to be addressed.

Ron Werner presented his monthly report; he reported that the public safety committee and the Mayor interviewed the candidates on Friday, May 4th. Three really good candidates have been narrowed down to two. Some background checks will be done to help with the decision. A conditional offer will be made sometime in May. Ron also feels that insurance will be an issue in this hiring process also. Living requirements were again discussed and Chief Werner asked that this be looked at again. A motion was made by Zweibahmer, seconded by Patrick to amend the motion of April 23, 2007 to state that we require all future full time employees live in the City Limits. Aye: Zweibahmer, Patrick, Kleve, Anderson and Vondersitt.

The water/wastewater report was accepted as presented. Bob Penrod stated that the larger chemical feed pumps have been installed. Paul of Decorah Electric presented his proposal for the lift station alarms. At this point the west lift station has no radio/telephone alarm. He stated the system we are using now is a point to point radio or a "dumb" radio and he feels this is not the way to go. He proposes a different style radio that has a

master radio and then the others are the “slaves”. This system has the capability to do so much more. The quote was for \$ 23,894.41. He stated that some of the current system might be able to be used if the passwords could be obtained from Automated Systems. This project was discussed in length with different options. The council decided that the sewer committee and the mayor meet with Bob to discuss what we need and bring a recommendation back to the council. The D.N.R. is doing a study on the discharge downstream from our wastewater plant. Bob Penrod stated that we would probably be required to chlorinate at the wastewater plant. Tim Vondersitt stated that he had contacted Greg Sindt to see if our plant would handle “say a locker”. Greg stated that our system is not set up for commercial use. Bob Penrod stated that he has the Water Quality Report completed and that we had no violations. This will be published as required in the newspaper. Looping was discussed, estimates will be compiled and engineering will have to be added to the project costs. The committee and the mayor will also review this with Bob Penrod when they meet to discuss the alarm system.

Mayor Willis reported that he will be absent from the June meeting due to surgery. He stated he will check with the “Pave the Way” committee to see if the city portion will be a part of the complete project.

Moved by Council member Zweibahmer to donate \$ 100.00 to the South Winn Youth Football league. Seconded by Anderson. Aye: Kleve, Vondersitt, Zweibahmer and Anderson. Nay: Patrick. Motion carried.

Salaries were discussed. Moved by Council member Patrick to table salaries until a decision is made regarding health insurance. Seconded by Kleve. Aye: Kleve, Vondersitt, Anderson, Zweibahmer and Patrick.

A proposed Outdoor Furnace ordinance was presented. After discussion it was decided to table this until we check with another city regarding chimney height. Permissible fuels were also an issue.

Moved by Council member Zweibahmer to approve Ordinance # 325 pertaining to no parking on the South side of Hancock Street from Maryville to Washington and to waive the second and third readings. Seconded by Patrick. Aye: Kleve, Patrick, Zweibahmer and Vondersitt. Nay: Anderson. Motion carried.

Moved by Council member Kleve to approve payment of the April claims. Seconded by Zweibahmer. Aye: Kleve, Vondersitt, Zweibahmer, Patrick, and Anderson.

Claims

April 07

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Petersburg	ins audit	224.00
Acco	inlet	63.88
Ace	internet	35.90
Alliant	electricity	5287.39
ALA	flags	30.00
Aquilla	gas	879.71
Aramark	uniform	119.70
Audio		
Editions	books	123.30
Book Look	books	181.83
	unclog	
Bunn	sewer	
Services	Crossland	100.00
Calmar		
Courier	publishing	76.93
Carolyn		
Heying	rent refund	25.00
Center		
Point LP	books	38.34
Com Tech		
Elec	repair	85.15
Croell Redi	concrete	
Mix	intake	78.00
Dave		
Huinker	sevices	160.00
Decorah		

Impl	lens	29.98
Decorah		
Newspaper	add	15.63
Drillings	metal	15.90
EP Elec.		
Pump	pump	1089.23
Farmers		
Coop	fuel	541.69
Fayette Co.		
Union	add	62.55
Heying Lbr	supplies	5.64
IAMU	dues	280.53
IIW		
Engineering	services	8292.00
Ingram	books	123.89
IRS	taxes	3506.55
IA Dept.		
Revenue	tax raffle	125.01
IPERS	ipers	1573.76
Iroc Web	web	
Serv	services	25.00
Keystone		
Labs	testing	360.00
Kirkeby		
Welding	services	686.35
Knife River	cold mix	123.20
Kwik Star	gas	644.81
	refund	
Kyle Smith	overpaid bill	52.82
Linda		
Crossland	reimburse	63.48
Michele	mileage,	
Elsbernd	reimburse	252.79
Midwest	calibrate	
Radar	radar	50.00
Municipal		
Supply	supplies	9.67
Nancy		
Tepestra	books	120.00
Napa	supplies	238.68
New		
Hampton		
Tribune	add	43.68
Norby's	supplies	72.33
Olsgards	repair plow	221.23
	mail water	
Postmaster	bills	267.50
Postville	ship	
Vet Clinic	samples	35.75
Presto	pest control	34.00
Qwest	telephone	334.71
Recreation	computer	
Supply	program	108.51
Rite Price	supplies	3309.27
Robert		
Penrod	reimburse	44.90
Ronald		
Werner	insurance	548.40
Schilling		
Paper	supplies	207.82
Storey		

Kenworthy	cartridges	71.67
Terfwerks	clutch	338.99
	add,	
Gazette	subscription	168.95
Times		
Plains		
Dealer	add	74.70
Treasurer		
IA	taxes	518.00
US Cellular	telephone	260.28
Utility Equip	supplies	108.00
Voss Signs	signs	145.00
Walmart	supplies	234.53
Wellmark	premium	1703.72
Richard		
Zahasky	fees	1261.23
Payroll	April payroll	10992.34
Total		46903.80
Claims by Fund		
General		19,451.73
Road Use		3,143.84
Benefits		1,826.19
Capital		
Projects		8,292.00
Water		6,503.13
Sewer		7,686.91
Total		46,903.80
Revenue by Fund		
General		79,711.57
Road Use		6342.78
Benefits		17347.86
LOST		8457.73
TIF		43,778.52
Trust		4989.12
Debt		
Service		11649.97
Water		8608.33
Sewer		23,672.98
Total		204,558.86

Mayor Willis declared the meeting adjourned at 9:28 P.M.

Michele Elsbernd, City Clerk

George Willis, Mayor

