

City of Calamus
 Minutes of the City Council Meeting
 301 2nd St. Calamus, IA 52729
 March 6th, 2023

Mayor Goettsch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present included; Buckner, Liebold, Griebel, Sprague, and Mayor Goettsch. Reed was absent.

Motion by Liebold, second by Buckner to accept and approve the Consent Agenda including the agenda, minutes, financial report, and the following detailed claims resolution, Ayes All.

Vendor	Description	Amount	Check #
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$2,479.78	E payment
Braet's Service LLC	power steering repairs	\$699.46	12938
Calamus Country Store	Fuel	\$583.65	12929
Clinton Co. Sheriff's Office	Sheriff Contract	\$1,092.20	12939
CCASWA	Recycling Charges	\$35.00	12930
D. Kalfas	Siren Location rent	\$50.00	12940
EFTPS	Federal Withholding	\$1460.41	E payment
3E	Generator Maintenance	\$1,535.00	12941
Essence Chem Co.	Treatment Chemicals	\$528.12	12931
F&B Communications	Utilities	\$147.62	E payment
FTSB	Recycling trailer loan pmnt	\$132.11	E payment
FTSB	Deposit Book Supplies	\$141.52	E payment
IPERS	Withholding	\$920.99	E payment
IA Rural Water Assoc	Dues	\$225.00	12942
L. Goettsch	Camera Cord Reimbursement	\$64.17	12943
M. Conner	Cell & Web Admin Stipend	\$61.00	12944
Menards	City Hall Updates/Supplies	\$138.30	12945
M. Dunlavy	Cemetery Digging 2 graves	\$750.00	12952
M. Lacey	Cell Stipend	\$25.00	12947
Observer	Publications	\$65.95	12932
QC Analytical Services	PWS Testing	\$21.00	12933
QC Analytical Services	PWS Testing	\$71.00	12948
Republic Services	Garbage Service	\$3,183.24	12949
Treasurer, IA	Water Excise Tax Jan 23	\$474.13	E payment
US Cellular	Tablet Service	\$34.49	12934
VISA Card	Postage	\$7.15	E payment
VISA Card	Arlo Camera Security	\$16.04	E payment
Water Services LLC	Affidavit Operator	\$500.00	12950
Wellmark BCBS	Health Insurance	\$699.76	E payment
Wendling Quarries	Reissue Ch#12861 Rock	\$772.90	12951
M. Conner	February Wages	\$1,600.00	12928/12937
M. Lacey	February Wages	\$3,555.00	12926/12935
C. Olson	February Wages	\$700.00	12927/12936

Fund	Feb Revenues	Feb Expenses
General	\$4,747.39	\$7,907.32
Road Use	\$3,052.90	\$2,598.69
Employee Benefits	\$0.00	\$818.38
Emergency	\$0.00	\$0.00
Capital Projects	\$0.00	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water	\$8,066.70	\$3,368.67
Sewer	\$7,260.70	\$1,466.09
Garbage	\$3,069.73	\$3,183.24
Recycle	\$0.00	\$548.33
Total	\$26,197.42	\$19,890.72

Public Comment: K. Lacey requested an estimate for a family health insurance plan.

Water meter updates- 83 meters are installed as of today. Mayor Goettsch discussed wages and overtime in comparison to water meter installations completed and the percent of budgeted wages for the fiscal year. The city will be sending postcards to residents who require a water meter update to be completed. Citizens are asked to please contact the Public Works Department to schedule an appointment to have an updated water meter installed any day except Tuesdays. Please call 1-563-246-2755 and press Option 2.

Resolution No. 23-19 FY24 Budget Adoption was introduced by Liebold, with a second by Griebel. Roll Call: Sprague- Aye, Griebel- Aye, Buckner- Aye, Liebold- Aye. Mayor Goettsch signed the resolution.

Resolution No. 23-20 RCTP Grant Filing Authorization was introduced by Buckner, with a second by Griebel. Roll Call: Sprague- Aye, Griebel- Aye, Buckner- Aye, Liebold- Aye. Mayor Goettsch signed the resolution.

Resolution No. 23-21 RCTP 3 year project priority list was introduced by Buckner, with a second by Liebold. Roll Call: Sprague- Aye, Griebel- Aye, Buckner- Aye, Liebold- Aye. Mayor Goettsch signed the resolution.

Motion by Liebold, second by Griebel to approve the Farm to Market roads and Clinton Street/Hwy 30 for the IDOT Annual All-Systems Overweight Permit program. Ayes; All.

Motion by Griebel, second by Liebold to authorize the purchase of the Fitness Center Security Door proposal by Night Watch in the amount of \$3,800.00. Ayes; All.

Resolution No. 23-24 CCDA Grant Filing Authorization was introduced by Liebold, with a second by Griebel. Roll Call: Sprague- Aye, Griebel- Aye, Buckner- Aye, Liebold- Aye. Mayor Goettsch signed the resolution.

Resolution No. 23-25 Lincolnway Foundation Grant Filing Authorization was introduced by Liebold, with a second by Buckner. Roll Call: Sprague- Aye, Griebel- Aye, Buckner- Aye, Liebold- Aye. Mayor Goettsch signed the resolution.

Motion by Buckner, second by Griebel to authorize the liens to be filed on properties with outstanding mowing invoices if left unpaid as of May 3rd, 2023. Ayes; All.
Timesheet discussion: timesheets will be used to help assist with budgeting for each department's wages and work comp insurance premiums.

Mayor Goettsch discussed the employee manual to clarify weekend check hours and overtime configuration. Discussion was held regarding having the Affidavit Operator complete every other weekend checks as part of the contract to help reduce overtime. Motion by Sprague, second by Griebel to authorize the affidavit operator contract between Water Services LLC and the City of Calamus with the Affidavit Operator completing every other weekend checks in rotation with the Public Works employee. Ayes; All.

Motion by Buckner, second by Gribel to issue a notice to abate a nuisance condition property at 104 Railroad Street, Calamus IA 52729. Ayes; All.

Reports: Mayor Goettsch reported the City is still accepting private donations from citizens to help fundraise for the fitness center. Information on how to make a donation is available on the city website or by contacting City Hall. Utility bills which receive late notices and remain unpaid are subject to disconnection. Lacey reported if everything goes well in April he plans to test for certification.

Motion by Sprague, second by Buckner to adjourn at 8:47 p.m. Ayes; All.

The next regular City Council meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday April 3rd, 2023 at 301 2nd St, Calamus, IA 52729.

Lance Goettsch, Mayor

Melissa Conner, City Clerk

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