

**Calamus City Council Proceedings
August 3, 2015**

Mayor Steines called the regular meeting of the Calamus City Council to order at 6:05 p.m. with council members Kalfas, Boedeker, Haack and Dieckmann present. Smith was absent. Also present were city employees Duane Levien and Laurie Ganzer.

The **consent agenda** included the minutes of the July 6th meeting, Clerk's financial report and the following revenues and expenses:

Bills paid prior to July Meeting:

941 Tax – 2,118.26, IPERS – 980.30, Alliant Energy, utilities – 1,433.81, Spahn & Rose, shelter roof – 2,003.04

John Deere Financial, maintenance misc – 94.66, F & B Communications, phone & internet – 42.66, MetLife, life insurance policy – 12.96, PK Midwest, mower – 43.44, Rob Reyes, mowing – 230.00, Duane Levien, computer & phone reimbursement – 240.00, Steffens Tap, lunch for volunteers at park – 35.00

Accounts Payable for Meeting:

Clinton County Sheriff's Office, monthly contract – 941.40, ECIA, WWTF administration – 3,090.03, Republic Services, monthly contract – 2,308.90, Iowa One Call, locates – 19.80, Duane Levien, computer & cell phone – 65.00, Calamus Wheatland FFA, barn quilt for fair – 100.00, Chemsearch, safety kit – 333.32, Barco Municipal Products, water maintenance supplies – 88.84

Gross Wages:

\$ 6,588.15

Revenues:

General Fund – 9,898.66, Road Use – 3,454.16, Water – 5,478.98, Sewer – 5,211.61, Garbage – 2,360.51

Total Revenue – 26,403.92

Expenses:

General Fund – 24,953.23, Road Use – 17,833.72, Water – 2,949.39, Sewer – 3,146.53 Garbage – 6,812.40 **Total Expenses – 55,695.27**

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Kalfas with a second by Dieckmann. All ayes.

Public forum – no oral or written comments were made.

Old Business:

1. Park Shelter roof is done, painting is not.
2. Signs for businesses – several businesses have ordered small signs with names only to put at the bottom of Welcome to Calamus sign.
3. Clean up at 101 Railroad Street – The Clerk is trying to find out who now owns the property
4. Railroad track repairs – UP representative was contacted and asked to write a letter stating that the City can cover the old spur at the City's expense. Letter has not arrived yet.
5. A reminder was given to all that the September council meeting will be held on September 1st due to the Labor Day holiday on the regular meeting night.

A motion to approve the application for a **plan and design loan through SRF for the WWTF** was made by Kalfas with a second by Haack. All ayes.

A motion to approve **resolution 2016-01** which is for the approval of the 2015 Annual Streets financial report was made by Boedeker with a second by Haack. All ayes.

Reports:

1. Levien noted that recycling needs to be in bins or totes to be picked up.
2. The Library Board submitted an annual financial report.
3. Levien noted that there was approximately \$23,000.00 in damage to the City property during the recent hail storm. He and the adjuster are still working on the claim.
4. Street repair work is not complete. LL Pelling will be back in August some time to complete the work. It was noted that Ganzer should try to obtain the permission from the railroad to cover the spur soon so the work could be done when the streets are finished.
5. Levien noted there was a water main break last week.
6. Kalfas inquired about removing the walnut trees in the park because they are so messy. The trees will not be removed as it will remove all shade from the park.
7. A building permit for a storage shed that was issued approximate 3 years ago will be renewed. The \$10.00 fee will be paid again to make the permit active.
8. Rock in front of Millers was discussed but no determination was made.

The **Clinton County Sheriff's office** spent 58.97 hours in the city of Calamus from June 26, 2015 through July 25, 2015 while on patrol they handled 1 incident and answered 8 calls.

A motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. was made by Boedeker with a second by Kalfas. All ayes.

Terry Steines, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie Ganzer, City Clerk