CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2014

COLLABORATIVE SESSION

Darlene Breckenridge	P
Dennis M. Clark	P
Jerri Ann Eddins	A
Ronnie Jack	P
William B. Rose-Heim	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri continued the November 17, 2014 Regular Session with a Collaborative Session on Tuesday, the 18th day of November 2014, at five o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Dennis M. Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Dennis M. Clark presided with the following Councilmembers present: Darlene Breckenridge, Ronnie Jack and William B. Rose-Heim. Absent: Jerri Ann Eddins.

Present were City Manager Mark Gaugh, Attorney for the City Mitch Elliott and City Clerk/Finance Clerk Barbara J. O'Connor.

Mayor Clark thanked those in attendance and noted the meeting is being held to address the issue of flat revenues while costs of providing City services continue to rise. In addressing the concerns Mayor Clark said the following is needed by the City of Cameron:

- maintain good paying jobs;
- attract people to move to Cameron;
- gain citizen retention; and,
- entice individuals employed in Cameron to want to live in Cameron.

Mayor Clark said all four needs also support existing businesses.

5:05 p.m. Councilmember Eddins arrived in the Council Chambers.

Councilmember Breckenridge addressed those in attendance asking that they consider doing one (1) or two (2) projects that would benefit the community but not cost of lot of money. Also, Councilmember Breckenridge reminded the group there could be maintenance costs involved with some of the projects and to consider how that expense might be handled.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Mayor Clark conducted the Work Session and began by asking representatives from the various organizations for input.

JoEllen Pratt, Library Director, listed the following projects of interest to the Library from the Public Forum Project listings:

- # 4 Library Upgrade
- # 7 One Day Wonders
- #10 Wine Walk and Art Fair
- #20 Public Art Displays
- #23 Movie in the Park

Citizen Jack Briggs:

- # 1 Arts and Recreation Series
- # 7 One Day Wonders
- #10 Wine Walk and Art Fair
- #20 Public Art Displays
- #23 Movie in the Park

Dr. Matt Robinson, Cameron School District:

- #2 School Logo
- #11 Park and Playground Expansion
- #6 "Caution Entering Dragon Territory" Signs
- #19 Dragon Color Street Signs
- #12 Archery Range
  (Dr. Robinson suggested the School District could purchase the signs and have the City Staff install them.)

Dr. Robinson, for Cameron Rotary:

- #34 Fishing Dock for Handicapped

Jamey McVicker, Cameron Park Board:

Said there are a number of improvements the Cameron Park Board would like to accomplish from the list. The Park Board is working on a long range plan and will hire someone to prepare a plan next year. Park Board Member Rich Whalen said the Park Board plan will focus on funding.

Mr. McVicker said on a personal note, the Aiden McVicker Foundation is already working on a Wine and Art Festival for the community.

Kent Osborn, Economic Development of Cameron (EDOC):

- #33 Economic Development Tax Vote
  (Monies from sale tax revenues could be used for a number of items on the list)

Ann Goodwin Clark, Cameron Municipal Band:

- #1 Arts and Recreation Series
- #18 VA Memorial Enhancement

City Attorney Elliott stated the main thing to remember is that the City cannot spend public money for private purchases.

Citizen Kathleen Randall said the focus should be to attract and retain citizens and businesses.

Councilmember Breckenridge:

- #2 School Logo
- #5 Library Upgrade
- #10 Wine Walk and Art Fair
- #16 Community Improvement Programs
- #19 Dragon Color Street Signs
- #23 Movie in the Park

Councilmember Jack:

- #2 School Logo
- #6 "Caution Entering Dragon Territory" Signs
- #1 Arts and Recreation Series
- #27 Shelter House and Fire Rings
- #34 Fishing Dock for Handicapped
- #23 Movie in the Park
- #30 Circuit Sidewalk – 60 Feet Replaced

Councilmember Eddins:

- #21 Swim and Movie Party
- #2 School Logo
- #10 Wine Walk and Art Fair
- #15 Community Beautification
- #22 Back to School Fling
- #23 Movie in the Park
- #31 4 Wheeler Park

Councilmember Rose-Heim:

- #1 Arts and Recreation Series
- #7 One Day Wonders
- #10 Wine Walk and Art Fair
- #17 Holiday Light District
- #23 Movie in the Park
- #27 Shelter Houses and Fire Rings

- #34 Fishing Dock for Handicapped

Mayor Clark suggested getting the Project List to area service clubs and schools to see what interest the groups might have in pooling resources to accomplish projects.

Discussion. Individuals are needed to take the lead on projects that interest them. Jack Briggs volunteered to work with Fine Arts Projects 1-7-10-20-21-23.

Mayor Clark said Sales Tax dollars could fund an expansion of the Trail System Projects

- #9 Trail Expansion – Wild Life Food Plots
- #33 Economic Development Tax Vote

Jamey McVicker said a Wine Art Festival is being planned by the Aiden McVicker Foundation for the second week in October, 2015.

Councilmember Rose-Heim moved to give City Manager Gaugh the ability to proceed on sign projects and other small projects. Mayor Clark seconded the motion. Discussion. A cost limit was discussed noting there is a $15,000 limit on the City Managers authority. Prioritization needs to be established.

6:10 p.m. Councilmember Eddins excused herself from the meeting and left the Council Chambers.

Jack Randall suggested projects be ranked in terms of economic impact. Kathleen Randall said the Council could rank the projects and then ask the public for ranking input.

Following the discussion, Councilmember Rose-Heim withdrew his motion. Mayor Clark withdrew his second to the motion.

Councilmember Rose-Heim thanked all in attendance for their great ideas and direction.

City Attorney Elliott suggested a separate agenda item be included at each Council Session for a report on the projects and actions that might need to be taken.

There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Jack, the Collaborative Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. on a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Finance Clerk