CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 2, 2015

REGULAR SESSION

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

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 2nd day of February 2015, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Members of local Boy Scouts of America Troops presented the colors and 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, Jerri Ann Eddins, Ronnie Jack and William B. Rose-Heim. Absent: none.

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

Minutes of the January 20, 2015, Council Session were approved as submitted with a unanimous voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Jack.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Boy Scouts of America Proclamation. Mayor Clark read a proclamation recognizing 105 years of scouting by the Boy Scouts of America and proclaimed the second week of February as Scout Week in the City of Cameron, Missouri. The proclamation was presented to Scouts from Troops in Cameron. Scout Leader Larry Luna noted that Troop 175 performed 1,779 service hours during the past year.

COMMUNITY PROJECT REPORT

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Demolitions. Two (2) of the three (3) houses on the list for demolition have been demolished. Work has begun to demolish the third structure.

2. Ameresco AMI. The AMI meter change out has started and the hardware is physically here for transmitting information from utility meters to City Hall.
3. Walnut Street Sidewalks. TranSystems has obtained the required permits from MoDOT and is proceeding with design of the sidewalk projects.
4. Wastewater Plant and System. HDR is finalizing the design for the treatment plant improvements.
5. Alliance Water Resources Refund Check. Verlon Persinger, Alliance Water Resources, presented a refund check for $12,362 to the City. Operating expenses at the Wastewater Treatment Plant came in less than anticipated, resulting in a refund per the annual contract for operation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Persinger also reported the emergency work at Lift Station 10 is complete. There is a maintenance program in place now which will hopefully avoid emergency situations at the lift stations.
6. Next Council Meeting. February 16, 2015 is a holiday (Presidents' Day) so the next Council Session will be held March 2, 2015.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2015-2, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING A MULTIPLE DOG CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CAROLYN BERRY ALLOWING ONE ADDITIONAL DOG AT 714 WEST CORNHILL STREET** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2015-2 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Rose-Heim to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. No additional information was presented. Bill 2015-2 passed on second reading with a unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation from United Fiber. Darren Farnan, United Electric Cooperative, presented information on high-speed Internet service with the City of Cameron proposed as the first community to have a one-gigabit (1000 Mbps) network. United Fiber offers Internet, digital television and digital phone service. One advantage for this project is the City has poles for connections which would make installation costs more economical. The cost of aerial work versus underground work is significantly less. Mayor Clark said the Council is interested in moving forward with United Fiber. A Resolution supporting United Fiber proposal will be placed on the next Council agenda. Engineers for United Fiber will complete their study and an early sign up time for customers is being planned in the next 60 to 90 days. Anticipated customer activation will be this coming summer.

(Note: Resolutions 2015-2 and 2015-3 were incorrectly numbered. Corrections were made during the Council Session prior to Resolution approvals.)

Resolution 2015-2, *(corrected)* **A RESOLUTION TO AWARD A BID TO ROSS CONSTRUCTION TO CONSTRUCT NEW BASIN LAUNDERS FOR THE NORTH PRIMARY BASIN AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR THE CITY OF**

CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Resolution 2015-2 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Eddins to pass Resolution 2015-2. Discussion. City Manager Gaugh said bids were solicited and only (1) bid was received for the project which will replace steel troughs (launders) at the Water Treatment Plant with stainless steel launders for the north primary basin. Ross Construction submitted the only bid at $189,840. Staff recommends the bid be awarded to Ross Construction. Resolution 2015-2 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2015-3, *(corrected)* **A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE WORK TOWARD A TRAIL EXTENSION AT EAGLE LAKE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI**, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Resolution 2015-3 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Rose-Heim and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass Resolution 2015-3. Discussion. City Manager Gaugh said the resolution authorizes a gravel/chat trail extension along the east side of Eagle Lake. The cost for the extension is estimated to be $25,000 and construction of the trail would be done as weather conditions and the Public Works Department work schedule allow. The gravel/chat surface is a more affordable method for allowing the trail expansion than asphalt at this time. Resolution 2015-3 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Sales Tax Election Request - Kent Osborn. Mr. Osborn, President of Economic Development of Cameron, on behalf of EDOC and the Cameron Park Board asked Council to place a half-cent sales tax for economic development on the August 2015 ballot. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed by both EDOC and the Park Board indicating their unanimous decision to pursue the sales tax election. Mr. Osborn stated the sales tax would be imposed for economic development purposes, including construction of a ball field complex and reconstruction of the current swimming pool. The tax would also allow for acquisition and development of land for economic development prospects. The ballot language will be the same used in the election of August 2014. Mr. Osborn said there will be a five (5) person board appointed to recommend how the sales tax funds will be spent. The City Council will have the final approval on spending the economic development sales tax collected. There is not a sunset clause in the ballot language in order to ensure there will be enough money for maintenance of the ball park system, the swimming pool and economic development projects over the years. Voters will have the right to rescind the tax at any time. Projects underway would be funded, but anything after a vote would not. The sales tax and its uses needs to be clearly defined as what the tax can and cannot be used for. Council requested a bill be prepared and placed on the next Council agenda to consider having an August 2015 ballot for the economic development sales tax.

Liquor License Applications. Norwood Fuels and Fahrmeier Family Vineyards & Winery.

- Councilmember Jack moved to approve the Liquor License Application for Norwood Fuels d.b.a. Nelle's Restaurant. Councilmember Eddins seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

6:55 p.m. Mayor Clark recused himself from the Chamber citing a possible conflict of interest as a member of the Cameron Rotary Club. Mayor Pro-Tem Jack presided over the Council Session.

- Councilmember Breckenridge moved to approve the Caterer's Permit for Fahrmeier Family Vineyards and Winery for an event February 14, 2015 sponsored by the Cameron Rotary Club. Councilmember Eddins seconded the motion. Motion passed with a voice vote. Absent: Mayor Clark.

6:58 p.m. Mayor Clark returned to the Chamber and resumed presiding over the Council Session.

Discussion - Gate Installation at Areas of Pump House Access Road – Mayor Clark. Mayor Clark said the access road to the pump house at the Lakes has been used for dumping of trash over the years and suggested moving the gate closer to the road and parking lot to help reduce dumping in the area. People wanting to fish would have a walk through gate to gain access for fishing. Concern was expressed about handicap individuals being unable to reach the water for fishing. There were no objections to moving the gate in an effort to curtail illegal dumping on the road.

Discussion - Transitional Housing – Councilmember Rose-Heim. Councilmember Rose-Heim discussed a request from SALT Center in Chillicothe for funding to help take care of homeless people from Cameron. SALT has asked for a $2,500 donation. City Attorney Elliott said Statute speaks to Counties not Cities regarding financing for homeless. An agreement would be needed for any political subdivision to participate with funding. Public money to private entities is not allowed because there is not a statute authorizing the City to give money. Consequently, there is no legal way for the City to help.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jasmine Lewis, 608 South Park, said the print on her utility bill is too small and unreadable for her. Also print size on information distributed about the electric program is too small and Ms. Lewis said she has no idea what the notice was communicating. Ms. Lewis was referred to City Manager Gaugh.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Rose-Heim:

- Informed Council that a local Arts Council has been formed. Meetings are being scheduled.

Councilmember Jack:

- Reminded Council of the Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission meeting scheduled for February 12, 2015 where a public information meeting will be held regarding construction of a new Northwest Missouri Regional Water Supply Transmission System. Councilmember Jack urged Councilmembers to attend.

City Attorney Elliott:

- Noted the test to recuse yourself on an issue is if you will benefit financially from the vote. If you do not benefit, there is no need to recuse yourself. However, you protect yourself when you exercise caution if there could be a perceived conflict and recuse yourself.

Mayor Clark:

- Thanked the Park Board and the McVicker Family for the playground improvements in Recreation Park.
- Also thanked Council for their support on the expansion of the trails project.

Motion was made at 7:15 p.m. to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss Real Estate [RSMo 610.02 (2)] by Councilmember Rose-Heim. Seconding the motion was Councilmember Eddins. Roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Jack and Rose-Heim. "Nay" none.

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Council reconvened Open Session at 7:45 p.m. There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Eddins, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk