CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 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 Wednesday, the 9th day of September 2015, at six 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, Jerri Ann Eddins, Ronnie Jack and William B. Rose-Heim. Absent: none.

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

Motion was made at 6:02 p.m. to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss Litigation [RSMo 610.021(1)] by Councilmember Eddins. Seconding the motion was Councilmember Jack. Roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Jack and Rose-Heim. "Nay" none.

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Council reconvened Open Session at 6:10 p.m.

Minutes of the July 20, 2015 Council Session were approved as submitted with a voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Eddins. Councilmember Rose-Heim and Mayor Clark abstained noting their absence for the Session.

Minutes of the August 3, 2015 were approved as submitted with a voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Breckenridge. Councilmember Jack and Councilmember Rose-Heim abstained noting their absence from the Session.

Minutes of the August 17, 2015 were approved as submitted with a voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Rose-Heim and seconded by Councilmember Jack. Councilmember Eddins abstained noting her absence from the Session.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

David Jacobs, Chairman of ReCess, presented a letter to Council updating them regarding their work to empower ex-offenders and their families to positively impact their lives and communities resulting in reduced recidivism and increased public safety.

Gina Reed, 324 East Fifth Street, expressed concerns with code enforcement regarding tall grass on a property her family owns. Ms. Reed stated construction sites should not have the same regulations as residential properties and asked for consideration of code changes requiring that a percentage of a yard required to be mowed. She also asked Council to review regulations for construction sites versus residential property for mowing regulations.

Quinten Lovejoy, 807 Rosewood Drive, commented on a letter he had received from Mayor Clark regarding formation of a committee to provide Council with ideas for improvements in the community for the swimming pool and ball fields. Mr. Lovejoy stated he felt the Mayor was operating outside the duties codified by statute and city Code by sending the letter without Council approval.

Lisa Savage, 1401 North Howenstein, expressed appreciation for volunteers who helped at the women's shelter with flowers and pulling weeds.

John Feighert, 202 Golden Eagle Lane, also received a letter from Mayor Clark. Mr. Feighert thought the Council should have approved the committee before the letter was sent but stated he would volunteer to serve on the committee.

Kevin Brightman, 826 South Chestnut, noted recent letters to the editor in the *Cameron Citizen-Observer* and encouraged the City to move forward following the recent defeat of the Economic Development Sales Tax.

Pam Ice, Cameron Chamber of Commerce, invited Council to the Crossroads Crush Festival September 26, 2015.

COMMUNITY PROJECT REPORT

None.

MUNICIPAL POOL/BALL FIELD STATUS

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Projects Status. There have been 70 days with at least a trace of rainfall. (10" above normal end of August) since April 1, 2015. Contractors are behind and concrete and

other work has been significantly delayed. Staff is re-packaging the sidewalk project that crosses Highway 36.

2. City Hall Exterior Cleaning. The contractor has finished work cleaning and sealing City Hall. The doors have been repaired and some minor tile replacement remains.
3. Wastewater Plant and System Improvements. The City has received a construction permit from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for the improvements and HDR has put together the remaining schedule for the project:
    - September 8, 2015 a pre-bid meeting at City Hall with site visit.
    - September 22, 2015 bid opening for Collection system improvements.
4. The City recently closed on the purchase of the 39 acre parcel next to the wastewater plant. This land will help in the future expansion of an excess flow basin, as well as to provide acreage for bio solids application.
5. Water Treatment Plant. Ross Construction is scheduled to start the work replacing the basin launders the week of September 7, 2015.
6. City Manager Gaugh informed Council the City received a two (2) percent credit ($4684.53) from Midwest Public Risk for employee loss control efforts due in large part to the employees' safety record.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2015-29**, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HERZOG CONTRACTING CORPORATION FOR THE 2015 ASPHALT STREET PROJECT,** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2015-29 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. No Additional information was presented. Bill 2015-29 passed on second reading with a unanimous voice vote.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Rose-Heim to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. No additional information was presented. Bill 2015-29 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Jack and Rose-Heim. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5896**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2015-30**, ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI BUDGET OF THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2016,** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2015-30 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. Councilmember Breckenridge questioned again why the $50,000 special project line item is not in the budget and said in a conversation with Cameron R-1 School Superintendent no money had been requested for playground equipment. Motion was made by Councilmember Breckenridge to amend the budget to combine $60,000 for playground equipment and $25,000 for special projects into one line item to be used for the swimming pool

and ball field maintenance and improvements. Councilmember Eddins seconded the motion. Discussion. Councilmember Rose-Heim asked for clarification on how the money would be spent. Councilmember Breckenridge suggested working with the Park Board making the improvements a "special project". Councilmember Rose-Heim said a Budget Committee meeting could be held to consider the proposal. The motion by Councilmember Breckenridge to amend the budget failed with the following vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge and Eddins; and "Nay": Councilmembers: Clark, Rose-Heim and Jack. Motion to approve Bill 2015-30 passed on second reading with a voice vote as follows: "Aye": Councilmembers: Clark, Rose-Heim and r Jack. "Nay": Councilmembers Breckenridge and Eddins.

Motion was made by Councilmember Rose-Heim and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. No additional information was presented. Bill 2015-30 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Clark, Jack and Rose-Heim. "Nay" Councilmembers: Breckenridge and Eddins. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5897**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill 2015-35, **A BILL FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING A DOG GROOMING OCCUPATION THROUGH CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR TRILLIAN TELLER AT 524 NORTH CHESTNUT STREET** , was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2015-35 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Eddins to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Community Development Director Hamilton informed Council the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing regarding the request for a conditional use permit for dog grooming at 524 North Chestnut Street. Following the hearing, the Commission voted to recommend approval of the conditional use permit to Council. Bill 2015-35 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2015-36, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES MISSOURI, TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THE WATER PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH THE GREAT NORTHWEST WHOLESALE WATER COMMISSION,** was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2015-36 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Rose-Heim and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Utility Director Zachary Johnson stated this will provide a reliable water source for the next 40 years. The contract obligates the City to purchase fifty percent of the City's daily water capacity from the Water Commission. The Commission will construct a 36 mile pipeline from St. Joseph, Missouri to Cameron serving Stewartsville and Maysville as well. The Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission has been awarded a $17,452,000 loan and a $527,210 grant from the USDA for the construction project. Utility Director Johnson said revenue to pay for the water will come from our water rates. City Manager Gaugh said there will be incremental increases during the construction period to avoid rate shock once the pipeline is completed. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Rose-Heim and seconded by Councilmember Jack to suspend the rules and place said bill on second reading. Discussion. None. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Eddins said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Jack and Rose-Heim. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5898**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2015-37, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES MISSOURI, TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH AMINO BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION FOR FINAL PAYMENT OF THE WALNUT STREET STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT,** was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2015-37 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Rose-Heim to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. City Manager Gaugh said Amino Brothers Construction was approximately 200 days late in completing the improvement project. Amino Brothers disagreed on the number of days delayed. Following negotiations and mediations by legal counsel Bruce Waugh, an agreement was reached to cut the liquidated damages half with both parties sharing in that cost. Bill 2015-37 authorizes payment to Amino Brothers Construction in the amount of $385,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Breckenridge to suspend the rules and place said bill on second reading. Discussion. None. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Eddins said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Jack and Rose-Heim. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5899**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Resolution 2015-22, **A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI APPROVING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOUR (4) FOR THE BUDGET YEAR OF OCTOBER 1, 2014 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**, was read by title by City Clerk. Copies of said Resolution 2015-22 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass Resolution 2015-22. Discussion. City Manager Gaugh informed Council this is the adjustment for June through September. The wastewater and street improvement projects were reduced for the fiscal year since the projects are on-going into future budgets. Conservative budgeting and activities have allowed reserve transfers to be reduced or eliminated. Staff recommends approval of the final budget adjustment for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. Resolution 2015-22 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Liquor License Approval. Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Breckenridge to approve Caterers Permits. Discussion. The Aiden McVicker Foundation and the Cameron Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring a fundraiser September 26, 2015 in the public right of way surrounding McCorkle Park. An ordinance is in place allowing

the consumption of alcohol for this event at this location. Windy Wine and Fence Stile Vineyards and Winery have applied for Caterer Permits for the event. All City requirements have been met and Staff recommends approval. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Judy Cunningham, 516 North Mead, informed Council of her plans for a Halloween event to be held downtown on October 31, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Ms. Cunningham is also working to establish a recreations and resource center for the community. Close to 30 individuals have volunteered their services to the center.

Dawn Swinderman, 620 East Fifth Street, expressed concern of the role of the Mayor and his request to the Cameron Park Board to delay their efforts for an election for a new municipal pool; and, why the Mayor made a request on behalf of the school district.

Drew Davis, 5271 Lakeview Drive, questioned Council's unanimous approval to spend $30,000 on the fence built on Sunrise Lake, but commended Councilmember Breckenridge for trying to set up a special project line item for the pool and ball fields.

John Feighert, 202 Golden Eagle Lane, presented questions to Council:

- Why doesn't the City have a communication plan utilizing a social media presence?
- Why aren't local businesses used by Council for suggestions?
- Were street improvement projects put on hold in order to build the sidewalk on Walnut?
- Why is the Mayor taking issues personally?

Mr. Feighert also said there are over 200 individuals willing to volunteer for projects to improve Cameron. Pat Jones organized a group to paint the restrooms in Recreation Park. This saved the City money. Also discussed by Mr. Feighert was the approval of Bill 2015-36 which approved a water purchase contract. Mr. Feighert questioned why the Bill was approved by Council after citizens of Cameron voted "no" on the water pipe line in past elections. Questions were also voiced regarding budget issues for economic development, the airport, the fence at Sunrise Lake and media expenses.

Quinten Lovejoy, 807 Rosewood Drive, said it will be an honor to serve on the committee and provide ideas to move the City forward. The committee needs to be diverse with both sides of the Economic Development Sales Tax issue represented. The Community needs to be re-energized and to look to the future.

John Breckenridge, 804 South Chestnut, stated citizens are not interested in trails, they want the basics i.e. street repairs. Mr. Breckenridge said an $85,000 olive branch was given tonight and was turned down.

Mike Phillips, 604 North Mead Street, said it is good to see so many citizens at the Council Session even if there is disagreement expressed. The City needs to figure out a way to

improve the swimming pool and ball fields without resorting to additional taxation. People need to work together.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Eddins:

- Stated to Mayor Clark: "I appreciate you putting me on the committee to solve our pool issues however I don't feel a committee is necessary. Listen to what the community is asking for. They wanted a pool, they wanted ball fields, they wanted to know where their money was going and they didn't believe in a forever tax. Set it up like you would a business plan. The bank wouldn't loan a business money without a well thought out plan. Why should the taxpayers? This tax has citizens fired up. Some good some not so good. Let's take all the positive and run with it. No more negative attitudes. We're all here working together for a common goal. It's time to think outside the box and try another route. We all have a difference in opinions which is wonderful, let's embrace that and move forward. After all we're all adults here."

Councilmember Rose-Heim:

- Thanked all in attendance and stated he would like time to think before any response is given.
- Expressed appreciation for all who volunteer their efforts to making Cameron a better City.

Councilmember Jack:

- Stated the Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission has worked on the pipeline project for five (5) or six (6) years. It is a good plan and a necessary plan. The plan will also help two (2) other communities have a sufficient water supply. There have been numerous meetings and public hearings on the pipeline. The contract will guarantee a future water supply. Councilmember Jack stated the City will continue to have control over the water quality.

Councilmember Breckenridge:

- Stated: "I am not here to argue only to ask questions and make decisions that are well thought out and in the best interest of not only our city but our taxpayers. I would like to offer an olive branch to the Mayor to work together, if we can't lead by example, how do we expect anyone to trust our decisions? We may not get everything that we think is right and just, but if we commit to respect, and at times agree to disagree, then we may have that unique identifier we are looking for. We would be the community who works together. I would hope that all could let the defeat of the tax go and move forward. There are many positives that have occurred since the people have spoken, one example is volunteerism, a lost art

that was dying. In closing a reading from James 1:19 - Keep in mind dear brothers; let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger."

Mayor Clark:

- Thanked City Manager Gaugh, Utility Director Johnson and Councilmember Jack for their work on the water line contract, noting that the City could not withstand a drought like what was experienced in 1950. This is in the best interest of the community.
- Said School Superintendent Matt Robinson did not request money for the playground equipment. Mayor Clark said the idea was to invest in something great for the community, a great playground.
- Stated the City Manager or the Mayor sets the agenda for Council Session. The Mayor can make committee appointments. The letter was a respectful invitation, not a mandate, to serve on the committee. The agenda also has an item allowing citizens to bring ideas to Council Sessions.
- Noted the sales tax election sent a strong message and it is now time for individuals to bring ideas for Council consideration.
- Referenced the fence at Sunrise Lake, stating the fence was placed on City of Cameron property and it was the City's right to place the fence in its current location.

There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Jack, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 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