CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 2016

REGULAR SESSION

Darlene Breckenridge	P
Dennis M. Clark	P
Jerri Ann Eddins	P
John R. Feighert	P
Ronnie Jack	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 15th day of August 2016, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Jerri Ann Eddins led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Jerri Ann Eddins presided with the following Councilmembers present: Darlene Breckenridge, Dennis M. Clark, John R. Feighert and Ronnie Jack. Absent: none.

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

Minutes of the August 1, 2016 Regular Session and August 8, 2016 Special Council Session were approved as submitted with a voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Feighert. Mayor Eddins abstained from voting on the August 8, 2016 Special Session minutes noting her absence from the Session.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

John Feighert IV, 202 Golden Eagle Lane, said he has participated in ride along's with the Cameron Police Department. Mr. Feighert suggested redirecting the $25,000 Community Project Fund to improve safety and security for the Police Officers.

Quentin Lovejoy, 806 Rosewood, shared his thoughts on the 2016-2017 proposed budget. Mr. Lovejoy said water and sewer rates are rising and electric rates have increased. The tax levy, solid waste fees, park trials and economic development expenses are decreasing revenue seriously according to Mr. Lovejoy. Mr. Lovejoy suggested that Council set priorities and review the budget to see where spending could be reduced.

COMMUNITY PROJECT REPORT

Pat Jones, 116 East Evergreen, stated the fire hydrant painting project as slowed down mostly because of the weather. Interest in the project remains high. There have been offers from

citizens who are willing to donate paint and paint brushes to be used in the hydrant painting project.

MUNICIPAL POOL/BALL FIELD STATUS

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Street Projects. Metro Asphalt has begun work on the 2016 Street Overlay Projects. The work should be completed by tomorrow. The Lathrop Street project is continuing. The Walnut Street sidewalk overpass project is progressing.
2. Dilapidated Structures Demolitions. Work is continuing on the demolitions of the six (6) houses on our list. Work is ongoing in the process of getting two commercial structures removed. The old Furniture Depot is still being emptied in preparation for demolition of the structure. The Court dates were extended for the foundation removal at Prospect and Walnut. This removal is being challenged by the property owner.
3. Economic Development. Staff is updating all available commercial property information. There has been some encouraging activity on the development side. The Chung's expansion will consist of a major parking enlargement, enlarged fueling stations and additional retail space. Major improvements were made to the parking area at the travel center at Nelle's. Staff continues to have potential developers look at our area for opportunities. Interest has been expressed in food service, retail, hydroponics, hospitality businesses and a recreation-type business. We have also had speculators, who are just interested in the area in general, with no specific plan. On August 11, 2016 Staff met with someone considering expansion of a telemarketing-type operation to Cameron.

Councilmember Feighert asked how much of the economic development activity has come from Terry Rumery, the City's economic development consultant. City Manager Gaugh said the interest shown comes from various sources including from Mr. Rumery. Interested companies, at times simply show up and local individuals such as Everett Ice have provided leads for economic development.

4. Community Betterment. Jack Briggs has refined the Community Betterment Competition Project.
5. A joint meeting with the Park Board, Economic Development of Cameron (EDOC) and City Council will be scheduled during the month of September.
6. The recently purchased hangar at the Cameron Airport has been leased to a local pilot.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2016-31, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI AMENDING CAMERON CITY CODE CHAPTER 8,**

ARTICLE III RELATED TO NUISANCES, was read by title on third reading by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Motion was made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. No additional information was presented. Bill 2016-31 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5942**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

Bill 2016-33, **AN ORDINANCE STATING EXCEPTIONS TO SECTION 6-115. DRINKING IN PUBLIC ALLOWED, OF DIVISION 1. GENERALLY, OF ARTICLE V. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF CHAPTER 6, LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC SALE AND CONSUMPTION OF MALT LIQUOR AND WINE ON THIRD STREET FROM WALNUT TO CHERRY STREET, CHESTNUT STREET FROM THIRD STREET TO FOURTH STREET, CHERRY STREET FROM THIRD STREET TO FOURTH STREET, FOURTH STREET FROM CHESTNUT STREET TO CHERRY STREET AND McCORKLE PARK INCLUDING PUBLIC RIGHT A WAY WITHIN THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI (Crossroads Crush Festival)** was read by title on third reading by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Motion was made by Councilmember Feighert and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. No additional information was presented. Bill 2016-33 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5943**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

Bill 2016-34, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COVERALL OF KANSAS CITY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING JANITORIAL AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR CERTAIN CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI FACILITIES,** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2016-34 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Feighert to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. No Additional information was presented. Bill 2016-34 passed on second reading with a unanimous voice vote.

Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. No additional information was presented. Bill 2016-34 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5944**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Workshop. City Manager Gaugh opened the work shop stating overall the City is in a pretty strong/pretty positive positon for the upcoming year. The budget is $19 million dollars and is less than the last fiscal year's budget. The reserve levels have strengthened in some of the major funds. City Manager Gaugh reviewed the Solid Waste Fund, Airport Fund and Wastewater Treatment Fund with Council. During the budgeting process City Manager Gaugh meets with Department Heads and goes over the Department capital needs and operating needs. The budget is conservative with expenses estimated high and revenues low. The Department Heads strive to come in each year under budget.

Councilmember Feighert stated his concerns about water rates which will have a significant increase in the future. Councilmember Feighert also said the Park Fund is doing alright with small projects, but is going to need more money for pool and ball fields which will require a new tax. One suggestion made by Councilmember Feighert is to go back through the budget and find places like the Community Project Fund and redirect that money for Police needs or perhaps give the money to the Park Board. Councilmember Feighert also discussed Police overtime, Terry Rumery's consultation fee, and the Cameron Economic Development position held by Tim Hamilton.

Councilmember Breckenridge questioned having two (2) backhoes in one budget and suggested purchasing one with the proposed budget and the second in the 2017-2018 budget. City Manager Gaugh said Staff is hoping to realize a savings in the cost by purchasing two (2) at the same time. Both backhoes that need to be replaced are 12 years old with many hours of use on each of them.

Councilmember Jack discussed machine rental versus machine need purchase.

Councilmember Clark said the history of the community is just to try to get by and make due. The City systems are getting older and deferred maintenance has a price to pay. The City has to search for ways to improve the community and sales tax is the largest stream of income. Sales tax pays for Police, Fire and a portion of streets. The Transportation Sales Tax has eased some of the costs for the City. Councilmember Clark noted several improvements accomplished in the last few years. One notable improvement is the General Fund Reserve which is now at 37 percent. Our bond rating has gone from an A- to an A+.

Mayor Eddins said the Community Project Fund has $15,000 remaining for the end of the current fiscal year and suggested a budget adjustment to give that money to the Police Department.

Chief of Police Rick Bashor discussed needs in the Police Department stating a Repeater System would be very helpful and is included in the proposed budget. Chief Bashor said he continues to work to get grants for the radio system and the Department will be transitioning into new patrol cars. Chief Bashor is also working on getting a new K-9 since the current dog is getting some age on it. The overtime versus comp time was put in place in 2006 to help with the budgeting issues and a decrease in revenues. The Department voluntarily made the change to comp time.

Becky Curtis, 311 Oak Street, stated there have been several good thing happen with the City but no more taxes should be put on the citizens.

Pat Jones, 116 East Evergreen, said a way to address the tax issue is to close the Library, stop having the Band concerts and stop having the Park system. Ms. Jones then asked Council to think about her statement. Ms. Jones also stated she stands behind the Community Project Fund citing the enthusiasm and positive vibes from Community Projects.

Connie Lintner, Lakeview Drive, said the budget needs to be discussed. Wants versus needs should be considered and everyone should work together.

Quentin Lovejoy, 806 Rosewood Drive, said he provided a package of ideas with visions for the future six (6) to eight (8) months ago regarding the budget but has not been contacted by anyone.

Bill 2016-37, **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI BUDGET OF THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**, was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2016-37 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Councilmember Feighert proposed tabling the Bill and reviewing the budget. The Finance and Budget Committee did hold a meeting and all Councilmembers with the exception of Councilmember Jack were in attendance. There is a timeline in place to pass the budget before the October 2016 fiscal year can begin. Bill 2016-37 passed on first reading only with a voice vote of three (3) "Aye" votes and Councilmember Breckenridge and Councilmember Feighert voting "Nay".

Public Hearing – 2016 Tax Levy. Councilmember Breckenridge made a motion to go into a public hearing at 7:20 p.m. regarding the 2016 tax levy for the City of Cameron. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion which passed with the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none.

City Clerk O'Connor said the tax levy numbers have been received from the State of Missouri: General Fund, $0.6327; Park Fund, $0.1554; Library Fund, $0.1776; and, Band Fund, $0.0888. The proposed 2016 tax levy is $1.0545 per $100 valuation on personal and real property in the City of Cameron. The levy reflects a $0.0107 increase from the 2015 levy. Bill 2016-38 reflects the levy amounts provided by the Missouri Auditor's Office.

Councilmember Feighert suggested giving the taxpayers of Cameron a break by not raising the Tax Levy by $.0107 and retaining the 2015 Tax Levy. Councilmember Clark stated City Manager Gaugh could evaluate the suggestion, but said the levy has always been approved as presented by the State of Missouri.

There was no public participation.

Councilmember Breckenridge moved to go out of the public hearing and back into Regular Session at 7:25 p.m. Councilmember Jack seconded the motion which passed with the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none.

Bill 2016-38**, AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAX UPON ALL PROPERTY TAXABLE IN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR 2016, AND FIXING THE RATE THEREOF,** was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2016-38 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. No Additional information was presented. Motion carried with four (4) "Aye" votes and Councilmember Feighert voting "Nay".

Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Jack to suspend the rules and place said bill on second reading. Discussion. None. Motion carried with four (4) "Aye" votes and Councilmember Feighert voting "Nay".

On motion made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Breckenridge said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins and Jack. "Nay" Councilmember Feighert. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5945**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

Bill 2016-39**, AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS,** was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2016-39 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Feighert to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. This is the annual ethics/personal disclosure ordinance, which complies with State Statutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Clark 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 Feighert said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5946**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

Bill 2016-40, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI CODIFYING EXISTING ENABLING ORDINANCE AND BUSINESS LICENSE TAX,** was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor.

Copies of said Bill 2016-40 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Bill 2016-40 authorizes codification of the Gross Receipts Tax charged by the City to utilities operating a business in the City. Motion carried unanimously.

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

On motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Feighert said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5947**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

Resolution 2016-16, **A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF CAMERON , CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI FOR MEMBERSHIP REQUEST IN THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SOLUTION, HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (HGACBUY), HOUSTON, TEXAS FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT**, was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Resolution 2016-16 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Breckenridge to pass Resolution 2016-16. Discussion. Fire Chief Mike O'Donnell said this is a nationwide procurement process that gets the most cost effective prices for equipment/trucks, etc. This is the most competitive pricing process available. Resolution 2016-16 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2016-17, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING FOR SALE OF APPROXIMATELY $3,850,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO PAY COSTS OF SEWERAGE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DEKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO REIMBURSE CERTAIN CAPITAL EXPENDITURES WITH PROCEEDS OF THE CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION**, was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Resolution 2016-17 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass Resolution 2016-17. Discussion. Utility Director Zac Johnson said the City is in the middle of the sewer improvement project. Phase 1, at a cost of $1.7 million, is coming to a conclusion and Phase 2, costing $3.8 million, and is ready to begin. Resolution 2016-17 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pat Jones, 116 East Evergreen, asked if the Council had known for the last 60 days that the budget was upcoming and if the Council had attended a Budget Committee meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Feighert:

- Thanked Chief Bashor and the Police Department for holding a "Coffee with a Cop" event.
- Said Larry Griffey is holding a car show September 10, 2016.

Councilmember Clark:

- Stated government is easy to hate; but, City Manager Gaugh, Fire Chief O'Donnell and Police Chief Bashor are trying to get things done for the City and asked everyone to support the City Staff.

Councilmember Breckenridge:

- Said she did attend the Budget Committee meeting and felt it was going nowhere. Councilmember Breckenridge stated she was elected Councilmember to ask questions and not to rubber stamp actions.

There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Feighert, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Jerri Ann Eddins

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk