CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2017

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 6th day of February 2017, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Members of the Boy Scouts of America presented the flags and 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 January 17, 2017, Council Session were approved as submitted with a unanimous voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Feighert.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Boy Scout Proclamation. Boy Scouts of America Proclamation. Mayor Eddins read a Proclamation prepared for the Pony Express Council of the Boy Scouts of America and its many Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops and Venturing Crews to recognized the 107th Anniversary of the Pony Express Council. Mayor Eddins proclaimed the second week in February 2017, as Boy Scout Anniversary Week in Cameron.

Citizen Recognition ~ Dick Doornink. Nathan Jones, Cameron EMS Director, and Dick Doornick, Operations Manager, presented Stan Hendrix with a certificate from the American Heart Association for being a Heartsaver Hero. Hendrix heard a radio call for an unresponsive male and immediately went to the site and performed CPR saving the man's life.

Larry L. Griffey, representing the Community Cupboard, informed Council the group is planning a car show July 1, 2017. Mr. Griffey has been meeting with area business owners and said the event is expanding from the one held last year.

John Breckenridge, 804 South Chestnut, read a prepared letter requesting information regarding City of Cameron employee benefits.

Audit Presentation – Hochschild, Bloom & Company LLP. Mike Williams, Hochschild, Bloom and Company LLP, presented the 2015-2016 annual audit and stated the City received a fair opinion and a clean, unqualified audit. The City's financial position has improved from the previous year. Mr. Williams noted in his presentation the City of Cameron assets Total Net Position is $46,968,570 for the fiscal year. This is total net position increase of $1,767,465. Mr. Williams also reviewed: the condition of City governmental funds (none were negative); assets; proprietary funds; liabilities; capital assets; and, long term debt. Mr. Williams expressed his appreciation of City Staff noting their positive cooperation during the audit.

Community Project (Baker Horse Show). Mark Baker, representing the Cameron Saddle Club, requested $10,000 from the Community Project Fund. The money will be used for various activities the Club is planning to host during the year that will have a positive financial impact on Cameron. Councilmember Breckenridge moved to grant the $10,000 request. Councilmember Jack seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous voice vote.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Gaugh asked Utility Director Zac Johnson to address numerous utility bill inquires that were recently received. All inquiries were reviewed by Staff and most of the bills were correct. Any billing found to be in error was corrected. Utility Director Johnson noted that temperatures were lower in December than they have been in some time. The City's purchase of wholesale electricity was higher than it has been in three (3) years. City Manager Gaugh also stated the use of space heaters by people as supplemental heat when temperatures drop creates substantial increases in electricity use. City Manager Gaugh suggested the possibility of the City offering energy audits for customers. Council agreed offering energy audits is a good idea. It was noted that the City's electric rate data is among the lowest of municipalities in our general area.

1. Second Meeting in February. There are no urgent agenda items for the second meeting in February (Presidents Day holiday). The next Council Session will be on March 6, 2017 unless Council has other direction.
2. Use Tax. The following is from the Missouri Municipal League (MML): *Amazon has announced that starting February 1, 2017, it will be begin reporting and remitting to the Missouri Department of Revenue on sales delivered to Missouri. At the present time, Amazon is making and fulfilling any Missouri sales from locations outside Missouri. Therefore, it appears, any tax they collect will be use tax, which is taxable at the location of the purchaser and that the sales will be subject to local use tax if the local jurisdiction has adopted a use tax. Given the volume of sales through Amazon this will likely represent a significant revenue increase for the more than 100 Missouri municipalities that have already imposed a use tax. This development further illustrates the importance of the use tax in leveling the playing field for traditional brick and mortar stores as they compete against out-of-state sales made*

through the Internet. Missouri municipal leaders are encouraged to research and consider the imposition of a use tax in their community. City Attorney Corcoran mentioned the use tax ordinance will mirror the City sales tax and help brick and mortar stores in the City be more competitive. Unless Council directs otherwise, we will prepare an ordinance and put the Use Tax on the next available ballot, which will be in August.

3. Animal Shelter. Staff has looked at potential locations near the existing building for the new facility. The sewer main in the area runs very close to the first proposed location and the line is relatively shallow (approximately four (4) feet deep). The area directly to the north across the drive entrance is a better location and is not over the buried landfill portion of the property. This location will allow better public access and make it easier to secure the rest of the site from public access. The location is also good for water and sewer availability. Following further discussion, City Manager Gaugh was instructed to look into a potential site by the north water tower.
4. Police Department. The Cameron Police Department has a Police Advisory Board consisting of 7 people who either work or live in Cameron. The Board meets with the Police Chief once a month to discuss things going on in the Department and our community.
5. All of the new Police Department vehicles have arrived and Sergeant Eric Belshe is switching the equipment from the old vehicles to the new vehicles.
6. Start Smart Grant Program. The grant has been approved and St. Joseph CAP will be proceeding with the Head Start project which will be located at Fourth and Groat Streets.
7. Sewer Projects. Work is continuing on the F-0001 sub-basin. There is nothing new to report on the system work or the treatment plant work. Both projects are on schedule.
8. Business Park. Bartlett & West is still on schedule to have a presentation for the Council in March regarding the process of business park development.
9. Groat Street Reconstruction. A public meeting was held January 31, 2017 for the Groat Street reconstruction project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2016-51, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI ADDING ARTICLE VII. SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS TO CHAPTER 8, OFFENSES - MISCELLANEOUS IN THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CAMERON MISSOURI RELATING TO THE OPERATION OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS**, was read by title on second reading by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2016-51 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. City Manager Gaugh said The Public Safety Committee met last week to discuss the proposed drone ordinance. The City has a section under its code concerning harassment which is generally worded. Chief of Police Rick Bashor thinks we can enforce drone misuse under the existing City Code, Harassment Section 8.36-1. The FAA would have authority to restrict drone usage at the Airport. The Public Safety Committee recommends that the City Council remove the ordinance from the agenda for now; monitor drone use; and, place the enforcement of drone misuse under our current nuisance code. Councilmember

Breckenridge moved to remove Bill 2016-51 from the agenda. Councilmember Feighert seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous voice vote. Councilmember Jack and Councilmember Clark withdrew their respective motions to pass Bill 2016-51 on second reading.

Re-Open Public Hearing ~ Annexation. 7:05 p.m. Councilmember Feighert moved to re-open the Proposed Annexation Public Hearing. Councilmember Jack seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none. City Manager Gaugh noted the proposed annexation is for 380 acres west of Cameron Regional Medical Center.

Mayor Eddins opened the hearing for public participation. There was no public participation.

City Manager Gaugh stated the Council and staff appreciate the public comments regarding the voluntary annexation of the properties and thanked those people that have spoken at the hearings. Just to give everyone a little background on the process, voluntary annexations require that all the owners of the property to be voluntarily annexed, submit a petition to the City Council. As the City of Cameron is the only fee title owner of the property that is subject to this voluntary annexation, the City, after approval by the Council, submitted a Petition for Voluntary Annexation on December 19th. Following the submission of a petition for voluntary annexation, the City is required to hold a public hearing, after providing the proper notice which the City did by publishing notice of the hearing in the *Cameron Citizen-Observer*. The City Council had a public hearing about the annexation at the last City Council meeting and that we are reopening that hearing tonight. In addition to the state law requirements, Cameron's Zoning Ordinance requires that additional notice be provided to certain property owners and that the Planning and Zoning Commission review the petition and make a recommendation to the City Council. The City provided the necessary property owners with written notice, even going as far as asking some property owners if they would like to join in the City's Petition. At the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on January 9th, the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the Petition and by unanimous motion recommended that the City Council approve the annexation of the properties into the City.

Now, Staff will provide the Council and the public with information that (1) the City has the ability to extend normal municipal services to the area within a reasonable amount of time and (2) that the voluntary annexation is reasonable and necessary to the proper development of the City of Cameron. To begin, Zac Johnson, Director of Utilities, and Chief Bashor of the Cameron Police Department, are going to come up and speak.

Utility Director Johnson stated the 380 acres is well located noted there is sewer line available immediately across the road. Water and electricity are available within 1,350 feet of the property; and, the City has the ability to extend normal municipal services to the area within a reasonable amount of time.

Chief Bashor informed Council that law enforcement could easily be provided for the proposed annexation area.

City Manager Gaugh thanked Utility Director Johnson and Chief Bashor. Chief Mike O'Donnell is not going to speak tonight because the Fire Department already provides services to the area of the proposed voluntary annexation.

City Manager Gaugh stated in regards to the annexation being reasonable and necessary to the proper development of the City of Cameron, the area around the property subject to the petition for voluntary annexation has seen significant development with Cameron Regional Medical Center and the nearby subdivision. Further, since the Electric Department will be moved to the property, the current land that the Electric Department uses will be freed up for other uses, either by the City or a private developer. This change will also allow the Electric Department to be more efficient since they will not have to go back and forth between different locations, instead being located at one convenient location. Finally, as discussed at the joint City Council and EDOC work session on January 17th, one issue that the City had in terms of development was that the City did not have land potential developers could use. By annexing this land in to the City, Cameron will be more competitive in terms of what it can offer developers, potentially spurring growth that will have a positive impact on the City itself and its citizens individually.

Mayor Eddins asked for any additional public comments. There were no comments.

7:10 p.m. Councilmember Clark moved to go out of the public hearing. Councilmember Feighert seconded the motion which passed with the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Eddins, Feighert and Jack. "Nay" none.

Discussion of Fence/Gate at Sunrise Lake at City/Drew Davis Property. Council instructed Staff to contact Drew Davis regarding the fence and/or gate adjacent to the Davis property at Sunrise Lake.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill 2017-3, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO AN LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR GROUND SURFACE FOR A "WELCOME TO CAMERON" SIGN**, was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2017-3 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Bill 2017-3 renews the west "Welcome to Cameron" sign land space lease with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for five (5) years. 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 Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Jack 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 5966**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk/Finance Clerk.

Bill 2017-4, AN **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES MISSOURI, AND ALLIANCE WATER RESOURCES, INC. FOR MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS SERVICES AT THE CAMERON WASTEWATER FACILITY**, was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2017-4 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Utility Director Johnson reported the City has had a Professional Service Agreement with Alliance Water Resources for operation of the City's Wastewater Treatment plant for a number of years. The last Agreement had a term of five (5) years, expiring September 2017 with an automatic renewal for successive terms of five (5) years. Alliance Water Resources operates the Plant at its highest level and continues to be a tremendous benefit to the city. Staff recommends approval. Bill 2017-4 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2017-3, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI TO DESTROY CERTAIN RECORDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE RETENTION SCHEDULES**, was read by title by City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Resolution 2017-3 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Feighert to pass Resolution 2017-3. Discussion. City Clerk/Finance Clerk O'Connor explained the records listed for destruction have met or exceeded the requirements of the Records Retention Manual from the State of Missouri and no longer hold any significance for the City. Resolution 2017-3 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Feighert:

- Asked for a monthly update on the Business Park land.

Councilmember Clark:

- Expressed his appreciation of the efforts of Stan Hendrix and congratulated Hendrix on the award.

Councilmember Jack:

- Also commended Stan Hendrix on receiving the American Heart Association award for being a “Heartsaver Hero”.
- Stated the energy audit is a good idea.

Councilmember Breckenridge:

- Told members in the audience she understands the cold weather issues they are facing.

City Manager Gaugh:

- Said he will be attending the Missouri Municipal League Legislative Conference in Jefferson City, Missouri next week.

Mayor Eddins:

- Also likes the idea of conducting energy audits.

There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Feighert, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 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