CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
October 7, 2019

REGULAR SESSION

Darlene Breckenridge	P
Dennis M. Clark	P
L. Corey Sloan	P
Becky Curtis	P
Julie Ausmus	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 7th day of October 2019, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Darlene Breckenridge led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Darlene Breckenridge presided with the following Councilmembers present: Dennis M. Clark, L. Corey Sloan, Becky Curtis and Julie Ausmus. Absent: None.

Present were City Manager Stephen Rasmussen, Attorney for the City Padraic Corcoran and City Clerk Shellie J. Blades.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITH COUNCIL

Proclamation of Appreciation – Gerald 'Ike' Taylor: Mayor Breckenridge read a proclamation recognizing Ike Taylor's retirement from the Cameron Fire Department after 52 years of service. Assistant Fire Chief Mike Walser also presented Mr. Taylor with a plaque from the Fire Department. Ike received a standing ovation from the gallery and Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Ausmus to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

a. Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 16, 2019 Regular Session
b. Motion to approve a Caterer's Permit for 'The Sip'/Lea Anderson of Chillicothe, MO to serve beer/wine at the Elvis & Johnny Tribute Show to be held on Saturday, October 26th at the Old School

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Rasmussen informed Council that earlier in the day, Police Chief Bashor received the Governor's Medal in Jefferson City for his meritorious service during the prison riots last year. Councilmember Sloan detailed how instrumental Chief Bashor was during the event by

bringing quick resolution to the conflict. Chief Bashor received a standing ovation from the gallery and Council.

City Manager Rasmussen introduced Jeff Arp from MIRMA who was in attendance to present Chief Bashor with a grant for $1766.88 (75% grant) for surveillance cameras for the Police Department holding cells. The City will provide the remaining 25% for the cameras. MIRMA will reimburse the City once the equipment has been purchased.

Councilmember Clark stated he would like the City Manager and Animal Control to look into assisting with getting feral and unneutered cats spayed and neutered at no cost. Councilmember Clark stated that recently Animal Control picked up 27 cats in the span of three days and believes a neutering/spay program would be beneficial in the long term for controlling the feral cat population. Mayor Breckenridge wanted to know the costs for such a program. City Manager Rasmussen stated he is aware of several communities who have programs such as what Councilmember Clark is suggesting. Councilmember Sloan stated some communities partner with the Humane Society and other non-profit groups and he would also like dogs to be considered for such a program as well. City Manager Rasmussen stated he will consult with staff and bring something back to Council.

EDOC / TERRY RUMERY UPDATE

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill 2019-55, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF CAMERON BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI AND THE CAMERON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2019-55 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Ausmus to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Mark Garges, Chairman of EDOC (Economic Development of Cameron) stated the Chamber of Commerce, EDOC and the City have worked on this agreement for the past few months and all parties are satisfied with the resulting contract. Bill 2019-55 passed on first reading only by unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2019-56, **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI CREATING SECTION 2-22.1, ORDINANCE PASSAGE, OF ARTICLE II, CITY COUNCIL, OF CHAPTER TWO, ADMINISTRATION, OF THE CITY OF CAMERON CODE SETTING THE STANDARDS FOR PASSING AN ORDINANCE** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2019-56 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Sloan and seconded by Councilmember Curtis to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. City Manager Rasmussen said there has been confusion in the past on the requirements for passing an Ordinance and three readings on certain types of Ordinances was

inhibitive. This Ordinance sets a standard of two readings over the course of two meetings and memorializes it within the Code while still having the authority to do both readings during one meeting if necessary or extending the readings if so desired. Bill 2019-56 passed on first reading only by unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2019-57, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CAMERON AMBULANCE DISTRICT FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH CENTER TO PROVIDE DISPATCH SERVICES FOR SAID DISTRICT** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2019-57 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Sloan and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Police Dispatch Supervisor Brent Blackburn advised the contract for dispatching services with the Cameron Ambulance District is a three-year agreement. The previous three years the contract was for approximately $33,000 per year. Following a cost analysis, the contract amount for the next three years is set for $42,000 annually based on calls for service. The agreement will be re-evaluated annually during the contract period and if the calls for service have not varied more than 10% +/- the current rates will remain in effect. Bill 2019-57 passed on first reading only by unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2019-58, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HERNER CONSTRUCTION, INC TO CONSTRUCT THE ANIMAL CARE FACILITY** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2019-58 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Sloan and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Community Developer Wymes advised Council they had awarded the bid and this Ordinance is just authorizing a contract with Herner Construction for the new Animal Shelter. Bill 2019-58 passed on first reading only by unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2019-30, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH GORDAN & FRANCIS BYERS FOR DANGEROUS PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 606/608 EAST THIRD STREET** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2019-30 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by Councilmember Sloan to pass Resolution 2019-30. Discussion. Community Developer Wymes and Building Inspector Beckwith advised Council they met with the Byers' about the property and they opted for the 100% demolition program. The lot will be sold and a single-family home will be built on the lot within the next two years. Councilmember Clark would like to see more funds to expand this program. Councilmember Sloan commended staff for working with the public toward positive solutions. Resolution 2019-30 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2019-31, **A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO RECLASSIFY AND RE-GRADE THREE POSITIONS IN THE CITY'S SALARY MATRIX** was read by title by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Resolution 2019-31 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Ausmus and seconded by

Councilmember Clark to pass Resolution 2019-31. Discussion. City Manager Rasmussen explained that the Finance Committee met and recommended the reclassifications of three positions. This action will not create any new positions only reclassify existing positions based on the duties already being performed. Council recognized Amy McVicker and Carmen Weigand (two of the employees affected) who were present in the gallery and commended staff for acknowledging necessary adjustments and retaining excellent employees. Resolution 2019-31 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITH COUNCIL

Mark Garges, 315 Oak – Mr. Garges wished to share a story about retired fireman Ike Taylor from back when he owned the local hardware store. Mr. Taylor had carte blanche when in the hardware store as he was a mad scientist when it came to fixing the City's equipment or creating new tools/apparatus.

MISCELLANEOUS-STAFF

City Clerk Blades advised Council of the Arts Festival taking place October 11 – 13, 2019. Marchfest will be the following weekend on Saturday, October 19th. City Hall will be open on Monday, October 14th even though it is Columbus Day and a banking holiday.

Community Developer Wymes advised he will be attending the Missouri Community Betterment Annual Conference on October 13th & 14th and will report the results of the competition.

Cameron Main Street Corporation is the official title of our Main Street group and they have elected officers. There will be a Town Hall Meeting on November 20th at 6:00 at the Old School.

Utility Director Johnson relayed that October 6th - 12th is Public Power Week and a time for celebrating the benefits of public power by community-owned, non-profit utility companies.

Counselor Corcoran appreciated the well wishes for the recent birth of his daughter.

MISCELLANEOUS-COUNCIL

Councilmember Curtis attended the open house for the Community Action Partnership (CAP) Headstart and was excited that Herner Construction, which was the contractor for the project, was quick and did a good job and they are now working on our Animal Shelter.

Councilmember Sloan directed comments to Utility Director Johnson and stated that as an emergency manager he often sees situations where power goes out in communities whenever the wind blows and recognized that this does not happen in Cameron and wanted the utility crews commended for their efforts.

Mayor Breckenridge agreed with Councilmember Curtis's statements about the new Headstart and added that the building is amazing, state-of-the-art and has great play equipment. The headstart program is free and they are looking for volunteers.

Congratulated Carmen Weigand, Amy McVicker and Rebecca Wilhoit on their reclassification and recognized the efforts of all City employees.

The idea of a city-wide cleanup was brought up during the EDOC Work Session and she challenged staff to look into that possibility.

Would like staff to look into the issues with vaping. City Manager Rasmussen stated both the School District and the Cameron Regional Medical Center have contacted him about their concerns on this topic. Staff will look into the issue and bring back potential actions.

Thanked Ike Taylor for his years of service and also wanted to acknowledge his wife Phyllis who has always been a wonderful wife and mother.

Motion was made at 6:38 p.m. by Councilmember Sloan to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Attorney-Client Communications [RSMo 610.021(1)]. Seconding the motion was Councilmember Clark. Roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Breckenridge, Clark, Sloan, Curtis and Ausmus. "Nay" none.

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Council reconvened open session at 7:43 p.m. There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Sloan and seconded by Councilmember Clark, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. on unanimous voice vote.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Darlene Breckenridge

ATTEST:

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City Clerk