

**CITY OF CAMERON  
MINUTES  
JUNE 7, 2010**

**REGULAR SESSION**

Frank A. Buck	P
Mark L. Carr	P
Dennis M. Clark	P
David Fry	P
Ronnie Jack	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2010, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Dennis M. Clark presided with the following Councilmembers present: Frank A. Buck, Mark L. Carr, David Fry and Ronnie Jack. Absent: none.

Present were City Manager David Watson, Attorney for the City Mitch Elliott and City Clerk Barbara J. O'Connor.

Minutes of the May 17, 2010, meeting were approved as submitted with a unanimous voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Buck and seconded by Councilmember Carr.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. KMRN and KKWK Breakfast Club. City Manager Watson reported the time he will spend on the Breakfast Club has been reduced to one (1) thirty minute time slot per month. The Breakfast Club featuring City Manager Watson, will follow the first Council Session of each month.
2. Recreation District Update. The updates will be presented at a later time.
3. Streetscape Policy. The Street Committee met and reviewed the policy proposed by City Manager Watson. Following review, the Committee recommends the Council give consideration to adopting the policy. The core of the policy is to enhance neighborhood streetscapes. Among the suggestions were: right-of-way enhancement with trees; driveway entrances; curbs; gutter; and, sidewalks constructed on a partnership basis between the City and citizens. This policy addresses the Visioning Project Process issue in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan. The policy promotes use of public funds and public employees while sharing one-half the costs with property owners for the improvements. Under the current plan, the citizen pays half of the cost and then the project is started. Utilizing the new policy, the owner could get financing through the City. A Neighborhood Improvement District (NID) could be

formed for an area requesting improvements. The policy proposes one half mile of streetscape be done each year, subject to annual budget appropriations. Staff recommends adoption of the policy by Resolution if Council is interested. An appeals process would be in place if the citizen is not happy with the City Manager's decision on policy issues. An example of a policy appeal would be curb and guttering denied because it would create storm water issues for other citizens. Discussion was held regarding difficulties that could arise from the City paying for improvements when a citizen would/could not. Citizen funding would be done with 25 percent down payment and an annual interest rate for five (5) years. If the project is not paid in full at the end of the five (5) years, a lien would be placed on the real estate. City Manager Watson suggested experimenting with the policy for a year to see what would happen. Two (2) pilot projects could be done at Cornhill and Walnut and Seventh and Walnut addressing issues at both locations.

4. City Manager Watson informed Council he will visit problem areas affected by storm water issues from weekend rains.
5. The process of hiring a Street Superintendent has begun. City Manager Watson noted he is impressed with the quality of the applicants.
6. Staff member Darren Swindler is now the Work Release Foreman. The change in positions has created an opening for a Street Maintenance worker.
7. 2010 Visioning Update. City Manager Watson will present an updated version at the end of the Council Session.
8. The City website continues to have a number of hits with the home page having the most hits, followed by parks and the correctional centers. The site has had worldwide hits.

## **DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

1. Planning and Zoning. The Planning and Zoning Commission will meet June 14, 2010 to hold a public hearing regarding conditional use permits, sign ordinance language and storm water issues.
2. Lakeside with the Locators. NW Roundtable sent four (4) representatives to the Missouri Economic Development Council spring meeting.
3. Enhanced Enterprise Zone – Clinton County. The EEZ Board met June 1, 2010 and has decided to use some of the attributes of the Atchison and DeKalb Counties EEZ's.
4. Board of Adjustment. The Board met and granted a two (2) foot front yard fence height variance to T & S Tire.

Discussion was held regarding "grandfathered" parking issues noted in the Planning and Zoning minutes. Development Director Shellby Hendee explained parking was adequate at the Walnut Street Medical clinic because the size of the structure was not altered.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Bill 2010-35, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 302.8, INOPERATIVE VEHICLES, OF ARTICLE IX, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE OF CHAPTER 3,**

**BUILDINGS OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI CODE AND ADDING CLARIFICATION FOR UNLICENSED AND EXPIRED LICENSES PLATES**, was read by title on second reading by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2010-35 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Buck and seconded by Councilmember Jack to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. There have been no comments or complaints from the public regarding Bill 2010-35. Motion carried unanimously. Bill 2010-35 passed on second reading.

**Bill 2010-38, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION (a) OF SECTION 6-243, RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, PHILANTHROPIC, PATRIOTIC OR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, OF CHAPTER 6, LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS, OF THE CAMERON CITY CODE, AND ESTABLISHING SECTION 6-245 OF SAME TO PROHIBIT SOLICITATION ON CITY STREETS**, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2010-38 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Buck to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. City Manager Watson said the use of public right-of-way for fund raising by not-for-profit groups is a high risk activity that causes concern for the safety of solicitors. Groups that City Manager Watson spoke with no longer use this type of fund raising event. Staff recommends approval of Bill 2010-38 on first reading. Motion carried unanimously. Bill 2010-38 passed on first reading.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

City Clerk O'Connor:

- Said the website hit from Ireland was Father Michael O'Shea who visited in the O'Connor home in May.

Councilmember Jack:

- Inquired about a Griffin Road matter where a plugged tube on Bob Earley's property is causing water issues on Jim Cline's property.
- Asked the status of Jim Tyrrell's request for sewer service. City Manager Watson said he had no answers today to the questions, but would get back to Council with responses.

Councilmember Carr:

- Presented a slide show of photos he had taken during the recent rains depicting major storm water concerns.

Councilmember Buck:

- Expressed concern about the water line contractor restoring properties to their original condition. City Hall needs to keep the public informed on the process.

City Manager Watson:

- Noted an interesting article in Council packets regarding water and sewer rates.

City Attorney Elliott:

- Asked for clarification on who took the photos, stating that proper credit must be given for the photos. Councilmember Carr said he had taken the photos.

Planning and Zoning Chair Mike O'Donnell:

- Addressed the Medical Clinic parking issue. The Commission reviewed a plan for an expansion of the building and said there are adequate spaces that are not in the right-of-way.
- Discussed a trailer parked on gravel at a church on Walnut Street.
- As Fire Chief, informed Council of recent and repeated rescue efforts made by the Fire Department at Rock Woodcreek trailer park north of Cameron. Chief O'Donnell is having an ongoing discussion with DeKalb County on this concern. City Manager Watson noted that there will be more information for Council on this topic at the next Council Session.

Mayor Clark:

- Agreed that moving ahead with discussion and action to slow storm water down was necessary.

2010 Vision Update. City Manager Watson reported that Teams have been established to address the Vision Plan. The first Team meetings were held last week. Team captains have been selected and expectations set. The Teams will move forward with key elements and assignment of tasks. City Manager Watson expects the Teams to give detailed reports on the top three (3) or four (4) projects at the Council Session on June 21, 2010. The website will be updated soon to include progress on the 2010 Visioning Plan.

Motion was made at 7:35 p.m. to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss Real Estate [RSMo 610.021 (2)] by Councilmember Buck. Seconding the motion was Councilmember Jack. Roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Buck, Carr, Clark, Fry and Jack. "Nay" none.

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Council reconvened Open Session at 8:10 p.m. There being no further business on motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

City Clerk