

**CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2011**

REGULAR SESSION

Frank A. Buck	P
Mark L. Carr	P
Dennis M. Clark	P
Jerri Ann Eddins	P
David Fry	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 1st day of August 2011, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Frank Buck led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Frank A. Buck presided with the following Councilmembers present: Mark L. Carr, Dennis M. Clark, Jerri Ann Eddins and David Fry. Absent: none.

Present were Interim City Manager Mark Gaugh, Attorney for the City Mitch Elliott and City Clerk Barbara J. O'Connor.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Interim City Manager Gaugh stated the proposed 2011-2012 Budget is balanced and has no deficit spending projected. There are no predicted decreases in services provided to citizens under the Budget. Interim City Manager Gaugh said the 2011-2012 proposed ending reserve for the troubled General Fund is \$103,000. All other funds are doing well.

Finance Specialist Carmen Weigand was present to answer any budget questions. Ms. Weigand told Council no bills have been received from the Chamber of Commerce for the recent Airshow or the annual 4th of July Celebration. The Chamber has not received all the bills and/or credits from the events.

Membership dues to MoKAN and Kansas City Area Development Council (KCADC) were discussed. Both memberships have proven to be good investments over the years.

Bond proceeds in the Water and Sewer Funds were reviewed. Interim City Manager Gaugh informed Council the projected revenues will come from State Revolving Fund loans, some of which have already been approved by voters.

The General Fund Street Improvement line item is blank. Interim City Manager Gaugh explained there are no revenues available for the budget that would allow for street improvements. If the proposed transportation sales tax is approved, there would then be funds available for street improvement projects. The 2011-2012 Budget does have \$70,000 for street

maintenance. Funds, totaling approximately \$30,000, are budgeted in Public Works for: pipe; sidewalks; curb and gutter; and, tree programs.

Councilmember Clark noted that doing nothing for street improvements only gains the City \$100,000 for General Fund reserve and said that is not an adequate amount. Councilmember Carr stated \$100,000 for maintenance, etc. makes little progress toward maintaining streets.

Bob Hart, 1004 East Second Street Terrace, said: he is pleased the Electric Fund has \$3 million in reserves; asked if the increase for water and sewer rates was included in the proposed budget; asked if the proposed storm water and transportation sales tax amounts were included in the budget; and, said the General Fund reserve increasing from the current 2 percent to 6 percent is not enough to accomplish anything. Interim City Manager Gaugh said that \$300,000 more was spent than budgeted for the General Fund in the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

Mr. Hart asked Council to consider what could be done to bolster the General Fund by looking at the Solid Waste Fund with \$363,482 (112 percent) reserve and the Park Fund with \$502,000 (197 percent) in reserve. Councilmember Carr stated the Park Board has been accumulating funds to purchase additional park land and noted the current swimming pool is aging and will need to be replaced someday. The Park reserve is for needed capital improvements. The Band Fund with \$162,000 was also discussed and it was explained that the tax money collected is dedicated by law for municipal band use only.

Gary Frazer, 103 East Fourth Street, asked if the Council had adopted a resolution of support for the Comprehensive Plan, inquired as to why there were no upfront costs known for the 4th of July Celebration and the Airshow, asked what MoKAN and KCADC do for the membership fees paid by the City, questioned how the City arrived at projected revenue numbers and said he would like to know why the General Fund was in its current negative position. The Comprehensive Plan has been adopted by the Council. Mayor Buck said the money spent with MoKAN and KCADC has been well spent, explaining they aided in efforts to have Case New Holland locate in Cameron. Councilmember Eddins stated the projected revenues were arrived at by looking at a five (5) year revenue history. Interim City Manager Gaugh said the General Fund began 2010-2011 with a negative budget and could not recover during the fiscal year. Councilmember Carr stated he feels the Council is too soft on responsibility and has not been doing a good job. Times have changed and revenues are down. Councilmember Carr said the Council is now on top of the finances and assured all that this financial situation will not occur again under their watch.

Sue Manion, 11742 Packard Lane, commended Council and Staff for their work on the budget, saying they had done a tremendous job and had worked hard on the budget. Ms. Manion said she has attended all the meetings and wants to give credit where credit is due. The only way to fix the General Fund is to pass the proposed sales taxes and Ms. Manion said she supports the issues 100 percent.

Mike O'Donnell, representing the Cameron Chamber of Commerce, addressed some of the questions raised by citizens. Mr. O'Donnell said the Chamber of Commerce partners with

the City and Cameron Regional Medical Center to pay dues to KCADC. Each entity pays \$2,500 toward dues. The Chamber and the City have shared expenses 50/50 for the annual 4th of July Celebration over the years. All the bills have not been received since the event happened only 30 days ago. When the Chamber has the total billing, an itemized statement is then given to the City, usually in August, for payment. The costs run anywhere from \$3,500 to \$6,000, depending on the number of days of activity involved in the Celebration. Mr. O'Donnell stated the City had come to the Chamber and asked for the Chamber to sponsor the Airshow. The estimated cost, in the beginning, was \$18,000 and that cost grew to \$60,000 for the event. The Chamber secured a \$50,000 loan from a local bank for the event and has repaid \$30,000. This was a huge project and there are still outstanding bills and credits to be considered before a statement can be presented to the City. Mr. O'Donnell said the City portion should come in at \$15,000 or less.

The Budget Workshop closed with a unanimous voice vote at 6:45 p.m. on motion made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Eddins.

Minutes of the July 18, 2011, meeting were approved as submitted with a unanimous voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Carr.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Phase II of the power pole inspections has been completed. The inspection identifies poles that need to be replaced. This is a three (3) phase project which enables Staff to replace the poles within a reasonable time each year. Approximately 60 poles will be replaced this year.
2. Project Status Updates for Vision 2010. Interim City Manager Gaugh informed Council the inflow and infiltration work on the sewer system is ongoing, noting that smoke testing has been completed in a designated area of the City; storm water and transportation issues proposed for the November ballot; and, a group of volunteer citizens are continuing to work toward establishing a resource center. The Comprehensive Plan is a living plan with ongoing use and economic development is needed for the City to grow and meet revenue needs. Interim City Manager Gaugh asked Council to start considering future drought needs, stating that the City cannot supply water during a long term drought. Big decisions will be forthcoming for water needs regarding potential drought water rates and conservation measures that would need to be enacted during a drought.
3. The first Regular Council Session in September falls on Labor Day. Interim City Manager Gaugh informed Council the meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday, September 6, 2011.
4. Town Hall Information Meeting – Streets and Storm Water Improvements. A Town Hall meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. This is the first of many meetings being planned to educate and

inform voters on the proposed sales tax issues being placed on the November 8, 2011 General Election ballot.

Mayor Buck informed those in attendance a Special Council Session will be held on Monday, August 8, 2011 enabling the Council to meet with Gary Markenson, consultant, regarding the City Manager search. City Attorney Elliott asked if he would be required to attend the meeting, stating he felt it would be inappropriate given the fact that he works for the City Manager. Council agreed there is no need for City Attorney Elliott to attend the Special Session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2011-50, AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI REPEALING THE CURRENT WATER RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW WATER RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, was read on third reading by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-50 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. Bill 2011-50 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Buck, Carr, Clark, Eddins and Fry. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5680**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2011-51, AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI REPEALING THE CURRENT SEWER USE RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW SEWER USE RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, was read on third reading by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-51 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Eddins to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. Bill 2011-51 passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Buck, Carr, Clark, Eddins and Fry. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5681**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2011-52, AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A CITY SALES TAX FOR STORM WATER CONTROL PURPOSES IN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND CALLING AN ELECTION ON SUCH TAX TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2011, was read by title on second reading by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-52 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Fry to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. Bill 2011-52 passed on second reading with a unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2011-53, AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A CITY SALES TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES IN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND CALLING AN ELECTION ON SUCH TAX TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2011, was read by title on second reading by City Clerk

O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-53 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Eddins to pass said bill on second reading. Discussion. Bill 2011-53 passed on second reading with a unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2011-55, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH IDEKER, INC. FOR HANGAR AREA SITE DEVELOPMENT & WIND CONE RELOCATION PROJECT, PROJECT No. AIRE 10-13A-01**, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-55 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Carr to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Council awarded the bid to Ideker, Inc. in the amount of \$429,427 by Resolution 2011-10 at a previous Council Session. The project is funded with a 95 percent grant. There is a five (5) percent match for this grant. The matching funds will come from the Airport Fund which is subsidized with money transferred from the Electric Fund and the General Fund. Motion carried with four (4) "Aye" votes and Councilmember Eddins voting "Nay".

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

On motion made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Fry said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Buck, Carr, Clark and Fry. "Nay" Councilmember Eddins. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5682**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2011-56, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AVIATION PROJECT CONSULTANT SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 WITH H. W. LOCHNER, INC., TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT CAMERON MEMORIAL AIRPORT, PROJECT #AIRE 10-13A-01**, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-56 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Fry to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. The agreement amount with H.W. Lochner, Inc. for construction observation services for the airport project is not to exceed \$46,336.66. Motion carried with four (4) "Aye" votes and Councilmember Eddins voting "Nay".

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

On motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Carr said bill was placed on second reading, was read by title and passed by the following roll call vote: "Aye": Councilmembers: Buck, Carr, Clark and Fry. "Nay" Councilmember Eddins. The

Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5683**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Liquor License Application – Cameron Regional Medical Center. CRMC is sponsoring their 25th annual benefit golf tournament at Cameron Veterans’ Memorial Golf Course and have applied for a Picnic Permit Liquor License. Cameron Police Department completed their review of the application and has no objections to issuing the license. Chief of Police Corey Sloan said this type of event does not require review by the Special Events Committee. Councilmember Clark moved to approve the liquor license application from Cameron Regional Medical Center for August 19-20, 2011. Councilmember Eddins seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Appointments: Cameron Housing Authority. City Attorney Elliott gave a legal explanation on the appointment process. The City tries to have a non-employee, non-resident and non-relative on boards and commissions. Don Mathena has resigned from the Authority and a letter of interest for serving in that position has been received from Debbie Hahn, Mr. Mathena’s daughter. There is no conflict with this since Mr. Mathena has resigned. With the requested reappointment, City Attorney Elliott recommends re-publication in an effort to find someone who is non-employee, non-resident and non-relative of the Housing Authority. If it is not possible to find such an individual, the candidate for reappointment, Francee Virts, can be appointed. The City is trying to avoid the appearance of nepotism and Ms. Virts’ mother currently serves on the Authority. City Attorney Elliott said it is appropriate to appoint Ms. Hahn and re-publish for the reappointment. Councilmember Carr moved to appoint Debbie Hahn to fill the unexpired term of Don Mathena. Councilmember Fry seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous voice vote. A notice will be placed seeking candidates to fill the position on the Authority.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Clark:

- Thanked Fire Chief Mike O’Donnell and all volunteers for the time and service they dedicate to the Cameron community.

There being no further business on motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mayor Frank A. Buck

ATTEST:

City Clerk