

**CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 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 15th day of August 2011, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Landon Reynolds 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.

Minutes of the August 1, 2011 and August 8, 2011, meetings were approved as submitted with a unanimous voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Clark.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. A Town Hall meeting was held August 11, 2011 regarding the proposed storm water sales tax and the proposed transportation sales tax. Interim City Manager Gaugh reported the meeting went well.
2. The second phase of the Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study which includes televising Basin One (1) lines will begin soon.
3. There will be a "Fallen Soldiers of Missouri Display" at the Missouri Veterans' Home September 7-13, 2011.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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 on third reading by title 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 Eddins to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. Bill 2011-52 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 5684**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

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 on third reading by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-53 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Fry to pass said bill on third reading. Discussion. Bill 2011-53 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 5685**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2011-57, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI APPROVING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT ONE (1) FOR THE BUDGET YEAR OF OCTOBER 1, 2010 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-57 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Fry and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Interim City Manager Gaugh stated the purpose of the adjustment was to enable the City to have a balanced budget at the end of the year. There will only be one (1) adjustment for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The adjustments removed proposed capital improvements (generator for the public safety building and Automated Metering in the utility departments) and authorized emergency repair of an oxidation ditch rotator shaft at the wastewater treatment plant. Interim City Manager Gaugh stated the projected yearend balance is improving. Bill 2011-57 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

City Manager Recruitment. Councilmember Clark expressed his apprehension in continuing with the City Manager recruitment process in lieu of a Missouri Attorney General's ongoing investigation regarding the termination of the former City Manager. Councilmember Clark questioned if there could be a possibility that the City might have two (2) City Managers if the recruitment process continues and stated concerns over insurance coverage in the event of a Sunshine Law violation.

Mayor Buck referenced the list of human resource professionals from local businesses who have agreed to assist Council in the recruitment process, stating he would like to utilize the skills of each of them. Matt Robinson, Superintendent, Cameron R-1 School District; David Slover, Personnel, Missouri Veterans' Home; Tanya Graham, Humans Resources, Case New Holland; and, Pat Bestgen, Human Resources, Cameron Regional Medical Center are all available and willing to participate in the process. Council consensus was unanimous and City

Clerk O'Connor was instructed to notify the group of the August 22, 2011 Executive Session scheduled for the recruitment process.

Park Board Appointments. There are currently four (4) positions to fill on the Cameron Park Board. The terms of Phil Robinson, Al Briggs and Rob Balliett expired. Ms. Briggs and Mr. Balliett have agreed to volunteer their time and serve another term each. Matt Archibald has moved outside the City limits and is no longer eligible to serve on the Board. Resumes and letters of interest in serving on the Park Board were received from Amy Ford and Jason Jones. Council reviewed the resumes.

Councilmember Carr moved to re-appoint Al Briggs and Rob Balliett to the Park Board. Councilmember Fry seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous voice vote. Councilmember Eddins moved to appoint Amy Ford and Jason Jones to fill the remaining seats on the Board. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill 2011-58, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DEFINITION FOR 'RANK WEEDS' IN SECTION 8-176, DEFINITIONS, OF DIVISION 3, WEEDS AND NOXIOUS PLANTS, IN ARTICLE III, NUISANCES, OF CHAPTER 8, OFFENSES-MISCELLANEOUS OF THE CITY OF CAMERON CODE, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-58 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Fry to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Inspector Clyde Han informed Council this is an amendment to rank weeds in the City Code. When the weed height was changed from seven (7) inches to nine (9) inches in the Property Maintenance Code, the definition was not included in the City Code for hay permits. This will make our Codes uniform and eliminate possible confusion between the Nuisance Code and the Property Maintenance Code. Bill 2011-58 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2011-59, 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 O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-59 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Eddins to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Interim City Manager Gaugh recommended renewal of the agreement. The annual fee for the agreement is \$360,095. This is an increase of 2.85 percent from last year. The repair limit in the agreement remains the same at \$26,500. Bill 2011-59 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2011-60, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF CAMERON BUDGET OF THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2011 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-60 were available for

the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Fry and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. It was stated that the ideal reserve amount for the General Fund would be in the 25 to 50 percent range and noted it will take a very long time to reach that goal. This year, if all goes as planned, there should be a six (6) percent reserve. The proposed sales tax initiatives will help the General Fund. The 2011-2012 budget reflects revenues of \$18,934,785 and expenses of \$18,799,801. Bill 2011-60 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Public Hearing – 2011 Tax Levy. Councilmember Carr moved at 6:20 p.m. to go into a public hearing to set the 2011 tax levy. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous vote. City Clerk O'Connor stated the levy amount received for 2011 from the Missouri Auditors Office is \$0.9862 per \$100 valuation. The tax break down is as follows: General Fund; \$0.5917; Park Fund, \$0.1453; Library Fund, \$0.1662; and, Band Fund, \$0.0830. Bob Hart, 1004 East Second Street Terrace, questioned the General Fund regarding street repairs. Mayor Buck sated there is no new construction budgeted for the Public Works Department. Councilmember Clark moved to adjourn the public hearing at 6:25 p.m. Councilmember Fry seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous vote.

Bill 2011-61, AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAX UPON ALL PROPERTY TAXABLE IN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR 2011, AND FIXING THE RATE THEREOF, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-61 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Fry to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

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 unanimously.

On motion made by Councilmember Clark 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, Eddins and Fry. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5686**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2011-62, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, 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 O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2011-62 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Carr and seconded by Councilmember Clark 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 Carr 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 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, Eddins and Fry. "Nay" none. The Mayor thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 5687**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

Resolution 2011-11, **A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A FORMAL POLICY FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**, was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of Resolution 2011-11 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said Resolution. Interim City Manager Gaugh said he has been working on this policy for 18 months. The policy complies with Missouri Statutes by providing written guidelines for procuring engineering and professional services for City projects. Resolution 2011-11 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Eddins:

- Inquired about the need for another electrical substation and suggested a Resolution be passed to establish a savings plan to cover the cost of the substation. Interim City Manager Gaugh said he will present a plan to the Electric Committee. Interim City Manager Gaugh will also begin negotiations with our electric provider, Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative. The Cooperative has indicated they will work with the City on the expense of the substation. The City's contract with Platte-Clay will expire in 2025. The City's electrical engineer, Vernon Lawson of Allgeier Martin, said this would be a good thing. Staff will meet and then determine what Platte-Clay will do toward building a substation.

Councilmember Clark:

- Asked if the cost of storm debris removal could be charged to the Electric Fund. Interim City Manager Gaugh said possible storm debris damage to our distribution lines could justify some Electric Funds being used.
- Stated the community could have a significant expense if litigation occurs from the investigation by the Missouri Attorney General's office regarding possible Sunshine Law violations. Councilmember Clark asked that the record reflect his concerns.

Mayor Buck:

- Asked Council to consider streaming live City Council meetings over the internet. The cost would be \$85 for a two (2) hour broadcast. Additional broadcast time would cost \$25 per hour. The initial set up charge would be \$1,100. Mayor Buck suggested spreading the cost over four (4) funds. Council instructed that a survey be conducted to see if there is any public interest in the live stream.

There being no further business on motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mayor Frank A. Buck

ATTEST:

City Clerk