CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2012

REGULAR SESSION

Darlene Breckenridge	P
Dennis M. Clark	P
Jerri Ann Eddins	P
David Fry	P
Ronnie Jack	P

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 18th day of June 2012, at six o'clock p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Dennis M. Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Dennis M. Clark presided with the following Councilmembers present: Darlene Breckenridge, Jerri Ann Eddins, David Fry and Ronnie Jack. Absent: none.

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

Minutes of the June 4, 2012, meeting were approved as submitted with a unanimous voice vote on motion made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Jack.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Public Works Committee Meeting for Walnut Street and Eight Street Projects. The Committee will meet June 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. Olsson Associates will attend the initial workshop regarding Walnut Street storm water improvements.
2. Chime System. City Manager Gaugh met with Doug Schmitz, KKWK Regional Radio. Mr. Schmitz and Wally Gallian, Cameron Newspapers, are heading up a fundraising drive to purchase a chime system. The system cost is estimated to be $16,000. A private donor has contributed $8,000 and the remaining amount will be the focus of the drive.
3. Public Safety Committee. The Committee met June 13, 2012 to discuss issues relating to the Police Department. City Manager Gaugh reported he plans to fill an open patrol position created by a recent resignation. This will help reduce additional

hours being worked by current staff. The condition of the General Fund will determine future staffing levels and capital projects such as the number of new police cars to be purchased in the next fiscal year. Staff will continue to look for efficiencies to improve the condition of the General Fund.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill 2012-29, **AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI AMENDING SUBSECTION (A) OF SECTION 12-138. SERVICE DEPOSITS, OF DIVISION 4. METERS OF ARTICLE II, WATER, AND SECTION 12-306. DEPOSIT, SERVICE FEES AND CHARGES OF DIVISION 1. GENERALLY, OF ARTICLE IV. ELECTRICITY, OF CHAPTER 12, WATER, SEWAGE AND ELECTRICITY OF THE CITY OF CAMERON CODE, CHANGING THE DEPOSITS FOR ELECTRIC AND WATER SERVICE,** was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2012-29 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Fry to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. The current deposit for utilities with the City is $100 for electricity and $50 for water. City Manager Gaugh stated the average amount of unpaid utility charges for residential accounts is $225. Staff recommends adjusting the deposits for new accounts to $150 for electricity and $75 for water for a total of $225. Bill 2012-29 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Bill 2012-30, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CAMERON R-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE THE DISTRICT WITH A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO),** was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Bill 2012-30 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Jack and seconded by Councilmember Eddins to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Chief of Police Corey Sloan informed Council the current agreement with Cameron R-1 School District for School Resource Officer expires in June. This program is a cost share of 50/50 between the District and the City and has proven to be successful and useful over the years. The police officer is at the school during the school year, but is always available if needed by the Police Department. Bill 2012-30 passed on first reading only with a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2012-6, **A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI FOR MEMBERSHIP REQUEST IN THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS), REGION VIII EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER, MOUNT PLEASANT, TEXAS FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT** was read by title by City Clerk O'Connor. Copies of said Resolution 2012-6 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Eddins to pass said resolution. Councilmember Fry seconded the motion. Discussion. Public Works Director Drew

Bontrager explained the cooperative procurement program would allow for more options for the Park Board in their efforts to resurface tennis courts. TIPS will go through the entire bid process and the program should result in savings for members on their projects. Staff recommends approval. Resolution 2012-6 passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Discussion on Membership in Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission. City Manager Gaugh explained the City became a member of the Commission three (3) years ago. There are twelve counties in Northwest Missouri that are members. Director of Utilities Gaugh noted the creation of the Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission was an effort to provide a regional solution to the water shortage problems that exist from time to time in Northwest Missouri. The Commission determined $3 per member to be the membership fee. The City's membership total was $9,000 per year. The term of membership is expiring and it is time to look at the relationship for the next three (3) years. A decision needs to be made by September. City Manager Gaugh stated this is an important decision regarding supplemental water. A drought consequence is always a possibility. The City currently has enough water in the reservoirs to last approximately 18 months. It is an economic development disadvantage to have a potential limited water supply. The time frame to build a line from St. Joseph to Cameron for supplemental water is two (2) years. The projected cost to build such a line is $250 million with the City of Cameron's share estimated at between $15 and $18 million.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

MISCELLANEOUS

City Clerk O'Connor:

- Informed Council the Administrative Staff is filling in nicely for Glenda Atkinson who is out on medical leave.

Councilmember Fry:

- Said the recent Relay for Life event held in McCorkle Park went well and thanked Steve Garr, the Park employees and Chief Sloan for their preparation and assistance during the event.

City Manager Gaugh:

- Said the General Fund sales tax has been fairly flat to slightly below average. However, May 2012 came in higher than the previous two (2) years.

Chief Sloan:

- Expressed concern about allowing the discharge of fireworks during the Independence Day celebration the end of June and first of July. Dry weather conditions could prohibit fireworks discharges. Staff will watch the weather and make necessary decisions to keep the public safe.

There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Breckenridge and seconded by Councilmember Eddins, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. on a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk