CITY OF CAMERON
MINUTES
August 1, 2022

REGULAR SESSION

Roy Estes	A
Dennis M. Clark	P
Becky Curtis	P
Julie Ausmus	P
Alexander Williams	A

The City Council of the City of Cameron, Missouri met in Regular Session on Monday, the 1st day of August 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Cameron City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Julie Ausmus led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Pro Tem Julie Ausmus presided with the following Councilmembers present: Dennis M. Clark and Becky Curtis. Absent: Roy Estes and Alexander Williams.

Present were City Manager Stephen Rasmussen, Utility Director Zac Johnson, Finance Director Carmen Weigand, Community Development Director Tim Wymes, Interim Public Works Director Wilson, Park & Reservoir Supt. Garr, Police Chief Bashor, Fire Chief O'Donnell, Attorney for the City Padraic Corcoran and City Clerk Shellie J. Blades.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITH COUNCIL

Jackson Rose, 740 S. West St #132 – Mr. Rose spoke in support of Alan Reed who assists veterans with various issues. Mr. Rose also spoke about issues he's experienced at Cameron Senior Patio Homes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Clark to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed with three in favor, zero opposed and two Councilmembers absent.

a. Motion to approve the Minutes of the July 18, 2022 Regular Session.

APPOINTMENTS

LAGERS Employer Representative – City Clerk Blades requested Council consider appointing a councilmember for the annual LAGERS meeting held in October in Springfield, MO. Councilmembers were asked to make an appointment at the next Council meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Rasmussen:

- ✓ Informed Council the City received a CDBG grant for $500,000 for improvements to Harris St. This is an approximate $1.2 million project with the City's portion being about $769,000. Staff will provide further details as information becomes available.
- ✓ Staff and Council conducted a Finance Committee meeting prior to the Council Meeting tonight to discuss the upcoming budget. Another meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 5:00 p.m. to finish up the discussion before the budget public hearing at the next regular meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill 2022-25, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, AND ALLIANCE WATER RESOURCES, INC. FOR MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS SERVICES AT THE CAMERON WASTEWATER FACILITY** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2022-25 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Clark to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Clark, Curtis, and Ausmus. "Nay" none. Councilmembers Estes & Williams were absent. The Mayor Pro Tem thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6238**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor Pro Tem and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2022-26, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HDR FOR PREPARING AN ENGINEERING REPORT FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2022-26 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Curtis to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Clark, Curtis, and Ausmus. "Nay" none. Councilmembers Estes & Williams were absent. The Mayor Pro Tem thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6239**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor Pro Tem and attested by the City Clerk.

Bill 2022-27, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HDR FOR PREPARING AN ENGINEERING REPORT FOR THE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM** was read by title on second reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2022-27 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Curtis to pass said bill on second reading by Roll Call. Discussion. None. "Aye": Councilmembers: Clark, Curtis, and Ausmus. "Nay" none. Councilmembers Estes & Williams were absent. The Mayor Pro Tem thereupon declared said bill duly adopted and said bill was numbered **ORDINANCE 6240**, was thereupon signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Audit Presentation – Mike Williams, Sikich, LLC – Finance Director Weigand informed Council this is the seventh year with this auditing firm although last year the name changed from Hochschild, Bloom & Company to Sikich, LLC. Mr. Williams went over the details of the audit and informed Council the City received a 'clean opinion.' No material weaknesses were identified and the significant deficiencies were due to a large number of required journal entries stemming from additional projects and financing during the year (for example: the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)). Only one comment was included which was a recommendation for additional administrative policies.

Bill 2022-28, **AN ORDINANCE FOR 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 on first reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2022-28 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Curtis to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. City Clerk Blades explained this is an annual housekeeping item required by the Missouri Ethics Committee (MEC). The Ordinance services two main purposes, to require Councilmembers to recuse themselves from discussions and votes where they have a conflict of interest and also to require the Council, City Manager and City Clerk to file annual financial disclosure documents with the MEC. Bill 2022-28 passed on first reading only by vote of three in favor, zero opposed and two councilmembers absent.

Bill 2022-29, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF BUDGETED FUNDS TO THE CAMERON LIBRARY BOARD FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING THE LIBRARY BUILDING LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN CAMERON** was read by title on first reading by City Clerk Blades. Copies of said Bill 2022-9 were available for the public. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Curtis to pass said bill on first reading. Discussion. Finance Director Weigand reminded Council that the current budget included $50,000 for improvements at the Cameron Library. Those improvements won't be completed during this fiscal year so this Ordinance is to authorize forwarding those funds to the Library now. Library Director JoEllen Pratt stated the Library Board intends to use the funds in their grant applications and have the project completed in the spring of 2023. The funds will be exclusively used for improvements to the front of the building. Bill 2022-29 passed on first reading only by vote of three in favor, zero opposed and two councilmembers absent.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WITH COUNCIL

Jackson Rose, 740 S. West St #132 – Mr. Rose spoke again about issues regarding his neighborhood.

MISCELLANEOUS-STAFF

City Clerk Blades:

- Reminded all to vote in the primary election tomorrow.

Finance Director Weigand:

- Thanked everyone for attending the Finance Committee meetings over the last several weeks.
- The audit report will be available on the City's website tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS-COUNCIL

Councilmember Curtis:

- Stated she thoroughly read the whole audit. It contains a lot of great information.

On motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Curtis, Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:51 p.m. by roll call vote to discuss Attorney-Client Communications & Real Estate [RSMo 610.021(1)(2)]. "Ayes:" Councilmembers Clark, Curtis, and Ausmus. "Nay:" none. Councilmembers Estes and Williams were absent.

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There being no further business on motion made by Councilmember Clark and seconded by Councilmember Curtis, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. by vote of three in favor, zero opposed and two councilmembers absent.

APPROVED:

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Mayor Roy Estes

ATTEST:

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City Clerk