



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM

City Hall, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, AR 71701

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION - Reverend Scott Bodenhamer, Pastor - Freedom Church, 2212 Hwy 278 W, Camden, Arkansas, 71701

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Alderman Lawrence Askew
Alderman William McCoy
Alderman Edward Winters
Alderman Boyd Woody
Alderman Willie Cooper
Alderman Josh Steed
Alderman Patric Flannigan

ABSENT

Alderman Gerald Castleberry

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from May 13, 2025 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve made by Alderman Steed, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion to approve the May financials made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

Voting Nay: Alderman McCoy

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

James Lee Silliman, 1151 Woodside Drive, asked the Aldermen to complete the Housing Survey that he left at their seats. The public survey and the stake-holder survey. He also left survey information for the citizens at the meeting.

Robert Arnold, 518 Sharp Avenue, requested Ward 1 Town Hall meeting concerning safety issues in the Sharp Street area.

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Young introduced Chief T.J. Robertson for the semi-annual report from the Police Department. Chief Robertson updated the council on the progress in the installation of flock cameras, the plumbing issues at the police department, and the officer shortage. He also announced that a new youth program will be starting July 1.

OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 6-25**, an ordinance amending Section 12-62 of the Camden Code of Ordinances regarding the location of Tattoo Parlors; allowing Tattoo Parlors in Zones C-3 and C-4 Districts; and for other purposes.

Alderman McCoy introduced the ordinance and the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion for discussion made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Woody.

Alderman Askew made a motion to suspend the rules and put the ordinance up for the third and final reading, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

Motion to approve made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

2. **Ordinance No. 7-25**, an ordinance permitting a member of the Board of Aldermen to be interested in contracts with the City of Camden, Arkansas.

Alderman McCoy introduced the ordinance and the City Clerk read the number and title.

Alderman Askew made a motion to suspend the rules and put the ordinance up for the third and final reading, Seconded by Alderman Woody.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

Motion to approve made by Alderman Woody, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

3. **Resolution No. 22-25**, a resolution authorizing the offering of Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds; and prescribing other matters pertaining thereto.

Mayor Young introduced the resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion made by Alderman Winters, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

4. **Resolution No. 23-25**, a resolution amending the 2025 Annual Operating Budget and awarding the bid for replacing the roof at the Carnes Park Community Center; and for other purposes.

Mayor Young introduced the resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion to approve made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Flannigan.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

5. **Resolution No. 24-25**, a resolution amending the 2025 Annual Operating Budget; providing for part-time Police Officers; and for other purposes.

Mayor Young introduced the resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion to approve made by Alderman Steed, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Winters, Alderman Steed

Voting Nay: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Flannigan

K. OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Woody asked if cameras were going to be installed in the Council Chambers. They have been ordered but have not arrived yet.

Alderman Cooper said that Cuba Circle is flooding because litter is stopping up the culverts in that area. He made a plea to the citizens to “stop littering your town”.

Alderman Woody and Alderman Steed both commented on the old WalMart property and asked if Code Enforcement could do anything about it. It’s taking longer because the owner has not responded to the certified letters that have been sent.

Alderman Flannigan invited everyone to the Juneteenth Parade Friday evening 7:00. Line up is at six. He said the Loud and Proud Peace Party will be at Carnes Park, the Women’s Crisis Center is having an adult prom Saturday at RiverWoods, and the Ministerial Alliance is have a banquet, 6:00 next Friday at the Word Family Church.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Flannigan. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Mayor, Charlotte Young

City Clerk, Donna Stewart