



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM

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

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION - Minister Donald Juniel, Associate Minister - Zion Hill Baptist Church, 117 Maul Road, Camden, Arkansas

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Alderman Lawrence Askew

Alderman Chris Aregood

Alderman Gerald Castleberry

Alderman Ebony Gulley

Alderman L.E. Lindsey

Alderman William McCoy

Alderman Marvin Moore

Alderman Edward Winters

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes June 13, 2023

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

Voting Nay: Alderman Gulley, Alderman McCoy

2. Minutes for Special Called Meeting 6-29-23

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mark Smith, 4323 Hwy 376 S,

Herdistine Lott, 422 Arkansas,

Willie Cooper, 544 Louisiana,

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

I. OLD BUSINESS

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance 03-23** An Ordinance permitting an Official of the Camden Water and Sewer Commission to be interested in contracts with the City of Camden, Arkansas
Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Aregood.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Aregood.

Voting Yea: Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Winters

Voting Nay: Alderman Askew, Alderman Gulley, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore

2. **Ordinance 04-23** An Ordinance repealing Camden code Section 2-54 regarding advertisement of bids for public improvements; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

3. **Ordinance 05-23** An Ordinance amending Article II of the Camden code; Establishing Rates and Procedures for Collection of Garbage for Commercial Customers; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

4. **Resolution 43-23** An Resolution amending the Annual operating Budget for 2023; for Police Department Radio Equipment and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Aregood.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

5. **Resolution 44-23**, A Resolution amending the Annual Operating Budget for 2023; appropriating funds for overtime in the Public Works department; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Moore, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

Voting Nay: Alderman McCoy

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

Voting Nay: Alderman McCoy

6. **Resolution 45-23**, A Resolution amending the Annual Operating Budget for 2023; for Airport maintenance; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Moore, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

7. **Resolution 46-23**, A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for a Parks and Tourism Grant; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

- 8. Resolution 47-23**, A Resolution waiving the nepotism prohibition of the Personnel Policies and Procedural Manual.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

Voting Yea: Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Winters

Voting Nay: Alderman Askew, Alderman Gulley, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore. Mayor Young voted yes for passage of the Resolution.

- 9. Resolution No. 48-23**, A Resolution of the City council of the City of Camden, Arkansas, authorizing the Mayor to sign a grant agreement with the FAA for the Camden Harrell Field Airport.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.

Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters

K. OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman McCoy left.

Alderman Moore stated that some work needs to be done in Lafayette Heights.

Alderman Castleberry said that the curb in front of 2784 Cherokee has rolled over backwards.

Alderman Aregood said there is a similar one on Caddo. They think it may be the same one.

Alderman Gulley asked that code enforcement check the old Ivan Smith and Meek's Pest Control buildings, and she's been told that homeless people are living in an abandoned house in the area.

Mayor Young reminded everyone that a Public Meeting for the Watershed project will be conducted by the Arkansas Black Mayor's Association on Thursday, July 13, 2023, 6:00 in the Council Chambers.

Alderman Moore asked if the city has flood plain maps. Fire Chief Covington suggested looking at usgs maps.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey. Adjournment at 9:41 p.m.

Mayor, Charlotte Young

City Clerk, Donna Stewart