



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7:00 PM

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

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION - Reverend Rudolph Stennis, Pastor - New Providence Baptist Church, 2931 Smackover Hwy, Norphlet, Arkansas, 71759

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Alderman Lawrence Askew

Alderman Chris Aregood

Alderman Gerald Castleberry

Alderman L.E. Lindsey

Alderman William McCoy

Alderman Marvin Moore

Alderman Edward Winters

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of Regular Scheduled Meeting, April 9, 2024

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

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

Voting Abstaining: Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

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

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore Mayor Young had to vote to pass.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Larry Mitchell, 649 Magnolia Road

Danny Glaze, 1240 Forrest View

Bishop Arnold,

Ebony Gulley, 605 Progress

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Alissa Garrett, Director - Camden Housing Authority

2. Jeremy Covington, Fire Chief - Annual Report

Mayor Young introduced Fire Chief Jeremy Covington for the annual report from the Fire Department.

When the Fire Chief finished his report, Alderman Moore made a motion to enter an executive session, seconded by Alderman McCoy. After a unanimous voice vote, the Council adjourned at 8:14 p.m. The Council reconvened at 8:34 p.m. stating no action was taken. Alderman Moore made a motion to amend the agenda and move Resolution No. 27-24 to the next item on the agenda. Alderman McCoy seconded, and the motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

I. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Ordinance No. 5-24**, an ordinance permitting an official of the Water and Sewer Commission to interested in contracts with the City of Camden, Arkansas. (Second Reading)

Alderman Lindsey introduced the Ordinance and the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

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

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

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

- 2. Ordinance No. 6-24**, an ordinance amending Article II of Chapter 5 of the Camden Code regarding dogs; and for other purposes. (Second Reading)

Alderman Aregood introduced the Ordinance for the second reading and the City Clerk read the number and title.

- 3. Resolution No. 20-24**, a resolution confirming the appointment of Fred Lilly to the Camden Housing Authority to fill a vacancy.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

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

- 4. Resolution No. 21-24**, a resolution confirming the appointment of Beverly Golden to the Camden Housing Authority to fill a vacancy.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Aregood.

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

J. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Ordinance No. 7-24**, an ordinance amending Section 3, Residential, Section 4, Commercial, Section 5, Manufacturing, Section 6, RS-4 Residential District & PUD's, Section 7 Special Provisions, Section 14, Definitions, and ,Table of Contents, of the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Camden, Arkansas.

Alderman Lindsey introduced the Ordinance for the first reading and the City Clerk read the number and title.

- 2. Ordinance No. 8-24**, an ordinance amending Camden Code Sections 2-46, 2-52 and 2-53 regarding purchase and contracts; and for other purposes.

Alderman Lindsey introduced the Ordinance for the first reading and the City Clerk read the number and title.

- 3. Resolution No. 26-24**, a resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of two (2) 2024 Police Utility vehicles for the Camden Police Department.

Motion made by Alderman Castleberry, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

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

McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Renix, Alderman Winters

4. **Resolution No. 27-24**, a resolution appointing an individual to fill the vacancy that was created in Ward 3, Position 2, and to serve the remainder of the unexpired term of office.

Motion made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman McCoy. ***MOVE THIS TO THE END OF THE MAYOR REPORT***

Alderman Moore made a motion to amend the Resolution and enter the name of Brady Renix in the blanks, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

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

Motion made by Alderman Moore, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

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

Voting Nay: Alderman Castleberry

5. **Resolution No. 28-24**, a resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of a truck mounted ULV Sprayer for the Camden Street Department.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.

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

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Moore

6. **Resolution No. 29-24**, a resolution authorizing the Mayor and clerk to execute a consent administrative order; authorizing the payment of a civil penalty to the Arkansas Division of Environmental Quality; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

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

7. **Resolution No. 30-24**, a resolution amending the Annual Operating Budget; amending the 2024 Operating Budget; waiving competitive bidding; authorizing repairs to the swimming pool at Carnes Park; and for other purposes.

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Winters.

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

K. OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Moore stated that Ivra Clark Park needs new play ground equipment. He also said that the guys who came out to grade the ball field didn't do it properly and the field's not draining.

Alderman Castleberry asked about Hooper and Leslie where the trash truck turns around. Mr. Porchia told him that it needs overlay. He also said that he had been contacted by Nancy Garner about the patch in the cul-de-sac being rough.

Alderman Lindsey asked when the street program list will be ready. The Mayor stated that Mr. Porchia is working on it.

Alderman Askew wanted to know if Aldermaen were turning in names for streets or is the street crew picking the streets. Mr. Porchia said he welcomed the Aldermen's input.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry. Meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Mayor, Charlotte Young

City Clerk, Donna Stewart