



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 09, 2024 at 7:00 PM

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

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION - Reverend Gwen Edwards, Pastor - Set Free Christian Ministries, 221 Monroe Avenue NE, Camden, Arkansas

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

Alderman Ebony Gulley

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. December 12, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

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

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Gulley

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. December 2023 Financial Report

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 McCoy, Alderman Gulley

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Morley Hodnett

Brandy Kendrick

Bishop Arnold

Wesley Carter

Marvin Moore

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Young gave the floor to Alderman Askew who recognized several employees from the Camden Fire Department.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 13-23**, an ordinance rezoning property located at 2289 S. Adams Ave. from RS-2 (Single Family) to RM-2 (Multi Family District). (Second Reading)

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

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

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

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

2. **Ordinance No. 14-23**, an ordinance rezoning certain property located at 2412 Smackover Road from RS-2 (Single Family) to RM-2 (Multi Family District). (Second Reading)

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

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

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

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

3. **Ordinance No. 15-23**, An ordinance providing for the accounting of the public safety sales and use tax; and for other purposes.

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

Alderman Lindsey made a motion to suspend the rules and places the Ordinance for the third and final reading. Alderman Aregood seconded.

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

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

4. **Resolution No. 71-23**, a resolution providing for and adopting for the City of Camden, Arkansas, an Annual Operating Budget for the twelve months beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024; Appropriating money for each and every item of expenditure therein provided for; and for other purposes.

Motion to approve made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Aregood.

Alderman Castleberry made a motion to amend the resolution , Alderman Askew seconded.

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

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Moore

Aregood/Lindsey Chief of Staff withdrawn

Alderman Aregood made a motion to strike the title Assistant Mayor on page 17 and insert Assistant to the Mayor. Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.

Alderman Askew made a motion to strike the \$40,000 new truck for Parks and Cemeteries on page 51, Seconded by Alderman Moore. Motion failed

Motion made by Alderman Castleberry, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey. Motion passed

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Gulley. Moore abstained Motion passed

Alderman Lindsey made a motion to table the Resolution until a Special Meeting on January 23.
Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. 1-24**, a resolution recognizing *Meetings and Procedures* as set forth in the Code of Ordinances for the City of Camden and adopting other procedural rules.
Motion made by Alderman Moore, Seconded by Alderman Winters.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters, Alderman Gulley

2. **Resolution 2-24**, a resolution declaring the dilapidated property located at 545 Harrison Street a public nuisance and to order the removal of same.
Motion made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman McCoy.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters, Alderman Gulley

3. **Resolution No. 3-24**, a resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contractual agreement with Camden Sportsplex Coalition, Inc. to provide youth recreation services for the City of Camden.
Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

Alderman Lindsey made a motion to table the Resolution indefinitely andSeconded by Alderman Gulley.

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

4. **Resolution 4-24**, A resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of oils and lubricants for the Year 2024.
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, Alderman Gulley

5. **Resolution No. 5-24**, A resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of tires and tubes for the Year 2024.
Motion made by Alderman Winters, Seconded by Alderman McCoy.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters, Alderman Gulley

6. **Resolution No. 6-24**, A resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of batteries for the Year 2024.
Motion made by Alderman Castleberry, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters, Alderman Gulley

7. **Resolution No. 6-24**, A resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of batteries for the Year 2024.
Motion made by Alderman Castleberry, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.
Voting Yea: Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Winters
Voting Nay: Alderman Askew, Alderman McCoy

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Moore, Alderman Gulley Mayor Young had to vote to pass the Resolution

8. Resolution No. 8-24, A resolution awarding the bid for towing large-sized city vehicles for the Year 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Castleberry, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

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

Voting Nay: Alderman McCoy

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Gulley

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor, Charlotte Young

City Clerk, Donna Stewart