BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 7:00 PM

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

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION - First Lady Kiesha Shelton, Cornerstone South Arkansas Pentecostal Church, 1621 Cash Road, Camden

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ROLL CALL

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

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Alderman Winters, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion made by Alderman Cooper, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Elijah Jackson, 641 Sharp Avenue, introduced himself as a Certified Economic Developer and expressed his interest in working for the City in that capacity.

Daniel Glaze, 1240 Forestview, told the council that he was ashamed of last month's Council Meeting, calling it unprofessional, and said to remember that eyes are watching from all over the state. He also brought pictures of working employees, stating that the work they were doing was not for the city. He was not interested in getting an answer to his accusations.

Paulette Seals, 513 Warner, stated that there is still debris in her neighborhood from the March storm.

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Young introduced Police Chief TJ Robertson to give a state of the year so far. Chief Robertson told the Council that the department is 3 officers and one dispatcher short at this time. He suggested adding a part time technician for the Evidence Room next year. The department has new body cameras. He told the Council that all the officers work hard but Animal Control Officer Shauna Long deserved special recognition. At the end of his report, the Chief

announced his resignation effective September 11, 2026, stating that he's been happy, is not leaving disgruntled, but an opportunity became available that couldn't be passed up.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. 30-26, a resolution amending the 2026 Annual Operating Budget; authorizing the sale of two obsolete vehicles; authorizing the purchase of a used 2020 Garbage Truck; and for other purposes.**

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

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

2. **Resolution No. 31-26, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Ouachita County cooperative Extension Service to provide educational programs.**

   Motion to approve made by Alderman Castleberry, Seconded by Alderman Winters.
   Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Winters, Alderman Woody, Alderman Cooper, Alderman Steed, Alderman Flannigan

K. OTHER BUSINESS

Amanda Wunnenberg - Fairview Event Center

Bill Bacon, Amanda Wunnenberg, and Richard Robertson came before the Council about the insurance on the Event's Center at Fairview Park. Mr. Bacon and Mrs. Wunnenberg thought the Center should not have to pay the insurance, stating that the appraisal value was too high, causing the insurance to be too high. Mr. Bacon said the building can't be destroyed, so insurance would never be collected therefore there was no need for insurance at all. Mr. Robertson said he didn't think the building was worth the appraisal value but since the city had paid the insurance he would personally reimburse the city for half the amount as the Mayor has offered for a compromise. Mayor Young said the city would have the building reevaluated. City Attorney Michael Frey stated that the Council can modify the lease agreement if they wish. The general consensus was to look everything over and have a plan for next year by October or November.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Mayor, Charlotte Young

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City Clerk, Donna Stewart