



## BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

### AGENDA

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- A. **CALL TO ORDER**
- B. **INVOCATION** - Reverend Isaac Staten, Pastor - Total Freedom Ministry, 885 Lincoln Drive, Camden, Arkansas
- C. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. **ROLL CALL**
- E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - 1. September 13, 2022 Minutes  
September 27, 2022 Special Called Meeting Minutes
  - 2. September 27, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes.
- F. **ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**
- G. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
- H. **MAYOR'S REPORT**
- I. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - 1. ORDINANCE NO. 12-22, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CHANGING THE NAME OF A STREET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
- J. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - 1. ORDINANCE NO. 13-22
- K. **OTHER BUSINESS**
- L. **ADJOURNMENT**



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## MINUTES

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. INVOCATION** - Reverend Michael Harris, Pastor - New St. James AME Church, 241 Center Street, Camden, AR

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

- Alderman Cecil McDonald
- Alderman James Bell
- Alderman L.E. Lindsey
- Alderman William McCoy
- Alderman Marvin Moore
- Alderman Joe Askew
- Alderman Chris Aregood

ABSENT

- Alderman Terrie Smith

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. August 9, 2022 Minutes

Motion made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood

**F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Motion made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Bell. The Mayor pointed out a couple of corrections to the financial report: On page 5, line 46900 Miscellaneous revenue was doubled on the original. It has been fixed. On page 26, the annual gross given on the original was for 2021, it has been changed to 2022.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood

**G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Ed Winters, 1141 Woodside Drive, requested that the City organize a City Wide clean up to be held in the month of October.

Ms. Corliss Sinclair, 585 Agee, NW, echoed Mr. Winters' sentiments and then asked that the police patrol the area of Pearl and Agee in an unmarked car. She said that people are speeding down the street and running the stop sign at the corner. She also asked the Aldermen again, "What have you done for your ward?"

Mr. Jessie Sanders, 219 Jack Parr, agreed with Mr. Winters and Ms. Sinclair, and stated that there are several areas around town that need to be improved.

**H. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Lott introduced William Wilson who spoke about a court based juvenile intervention/education program.

Mayor Lott highlighted some of the events he participated in since the last council meeting: the Ouachita River Valley Association conference, Cooper's Law training, a mental health podcast with Dr. LaShonda Traylor, Forward Arkansas, and an article about Camden in Politico.

The Mayor stated that budget meetings have started and he reminded everyone that the Quorum Court meets on the first Tuesday of the month, City Council on the second Tuesday, and the Camden Fairview School Board on the third Tuesday.

Mayor Lott encouraged citizens to start neighborhood watch programs and stated that replacement lids are available for trash carts. Call Public Works at 837-5570.

**I. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**J. NEW BUSINESS**

1. ORDINANCE NO. 08-22, AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A LIEN ON CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1333 RONALD DRIVE.

Introduced by Alderman Lindsey, the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion to suspend the rules and put the ordinance up for the third and final reading made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Bell.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. Motion approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion to approve the ordinance made by Alderman Bell, Seconded by Alderman Moore.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. The Ordinance passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 09-22, AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A LIEN ON CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 509 SHORT STREET.

Introduced by Alderman Lindsey, the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion to suspend the rules and put the ordinance up for the third and final reading by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Moore.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. Motion approved by a unanimous roll call vote

Motion to approve the ordinance made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Bell.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. The Ordinance passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

3. ORDINANCE NO. 10-22, AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A LIEN ON CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 505 MAPLE STREET.

Introduced by Alderman Bell, the City Clerk read the number and title.

Motion to suspend the rules and put the ordinance up for the third and final reading made by Alderman Bell, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. Motion approved by a unanimous roll call vote

Motion to approve the ordinance made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman McCoy.  
Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. The Ordinance passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

4. ORDINANCE NO. 11-22, AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A LIEN ON CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 406 MYRTLE STREET.

Introduced by Alderman Bell

Motion to suspend the rules and put the ordinance up for the third and final reading made by Alderman Bell, Seconded by Alderman McDonald.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. Motion approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Alderman Moore, Seconded by Alderman Askew.

Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. The Ordinance passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

5. ORDINANCE NO. 12-22, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CHANGING THE NAME OF A STREET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Introduced by Alderman Bell for first reading, the City Clerk read the number and title.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 59-22, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF TERESA LAMPKIN TO THE ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION COMMISSION.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve by Alderman Lindsey, seconded by Alderman McCoy. Voting Yea: Alderman McDonald, Alderman Bell, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood. The Resolution passed with a unanimous voice vote.

**K. OTHER BUSINESS**

Alderman Moore said people were parking in the street around Ivra Clark Park over the previous weekend. He said the officer who was dispatched did an excellent job.

Alderman Askew said there is a street light out at 120 Maple with no tag on it. He also asked for a report on the trash truck. Equipment Foreman Terrell Newton, said 2 residential trucks are working and one is in the shop @ Texarkana, the 2016 needs to be retired and used only as a back up. Alderman Askew inquired if our drivers were causing the problems. Mr. Newton said it was probably 50/50 driver and vehicle.

Alderman McDonald stated that he had sent an email to come see the trucks but he had not received a reply. Public Works Director Kevin Franklin told him he is welcome anytime.

Alderman Aregood asked Mr. Newton how his new program was working. Mr. Newton said it's very good and the mechanics are using it. He's now starting teaching the Administrative Assistant for Public Works how to use it.

Alderman Askew thanked all the sanitation workers for their extra work while the trucks were down.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

Askew/Aregood 8:17 p.m.



# BOARD OF ALDERMEN SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 7:00 PM  
City Hall, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, AR 71701

## MINUTES

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

**C. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

- Alderman Cecil McDonald
- Alderman James Bell
- Alderman L.E. Lindsey
- Alderman Terrie Smith
- Alderman Joe Askew
- Alderman Chris Aregood

ABSENT

- Alderman William McCoy
- Alderman Marvin Moore

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

- Mr. Larry Mitchell, 649 Magnolia Road, spoke in favor of Resolution No. 60-22.
- Mr. Jesse Sanders, 219 Jack Parr said the area around the airport needed to be beautified.
- Mr. Terry Thornhill, 1001 Forest View Drive, asked to speak when discussion began on Resolution No. 60-22 by the Council.
- Ms. Corliss Sinclair, 585 Agee, said in addition to sports, the committee should also consider tutoring, conflict resolution, and problem solving skills.

**D. NEW BUSINESS**

1. RESOLUTION NO. 60-22, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, CREATING A YOUTH SPORTS EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Alderman Askew made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Alderman Aregood. Alderman Aregood started the discussion by stating that he doesn't think John Dawson is ready to let go of the Recreation Complex. Alderman Lindsey said there are other things that were much more deserving of a special meeting than forming an exploratory committee and suggested delaying the Resolution until the election is over and we know if there's going to BE an Advertising & Promotion Commission. Alderman Askew stated that he grew up at the Boys Club, raised his kids at the Boys & Girls Club. It's not the Boys & Girls Club anymore. The City can't use our own fields when the Ouachita County Recreation Complex has games and that's not right. Mayor Lott emphasized several times during the discussion that the resolution is only to form an exploratory committee and put them to work. Nothing else.

Alderman Bell made a motion to allow Mr. Thornhill to speak, seconded by Alderman Lindsey. Alderman Askew said there were several people raising their hands and he would like them to have the

opportunity to speak too. Attorney Frey said allowing Thornhill to speak would be opening up audience participation. Alderman Bell withdrew his motion. Alderman Askew made a motion to open audience participation, seconded by Alderman McDonald. The motion passed with a 5-1 vote with Alderman Lindsey voting no.

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Terry Thornhill, 1001 Forest View, said as an investor in Camden, people are coming to Camden now to decide if they want to move here. We need to prepare now. It's about doing something to make our city more attractive. Right now, children under age 6 are being left out of sports in Camden and their parents are taking them out of town to play.

Ms. Ebony Gulley, 605 Progress, urged the Council to form the committee and volunteered to be on it. Mr. Jessie Sanders, 219 Jack Parr, spoke in favor of the Resolution.

Mr. Mike Sherman, 240 Adams, stated that this decision is not political, it's about the kids.

Mrs. Nancy Lott, 412 Arkansas, asked why they were arguing so much just to form a committee.

Mrs. Helen Aregood, 3020 Cherokee, suggested taking out the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Whereas and just form the committee.

Mrs. Callie Hughey, 257 Madison, said the kids need something to do, so form the committee.

Alderman Bell made a motion to amend the resolution and strike the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> whereas. Alderman Askew seconded. The motion to amend passed with a 5-1 vote with Alderman Lindsey voting no.

Alderman Askew made a motion to approve the Resolution as amended, seconded by Alderman Aregood. The Resolution was approved by a 5-1 roll call vote with Alderman Lindsey voting no.

### **E. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Alderman Aregood, seconded by Alderman Askew. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 12-22**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CHANGING THE NAME OF A STREET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the City has previously changed the names of streets at the request of local residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to implement a uniform process for the application, review and approval of such requests.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** Applicants requesting that a street be renamed shall follow the procedure set forth in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** The Mayor shall develop forms for requests to rename a street substantially similar to the forms attached hereto.

**SECTION 3.** Applications to change a street name shall be presented to the Camden Planning Commission. If approved by the Planning Commission, the application shall be presented to the City for consideration.

**SECTION 4.** The applicant shall submit the required forms to the Camden Code Enforcement Department, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, Arkansas, (870) 837-5508. These forms may be obtained in advance in order to expedite the filing. The application shall evidence at least fifty percent of the residents on such street as approving the change by their signature. The petition must include address and printed and signed name of all residents. A list of all affected persons and addresses must also accompany application.

**SECTION 5.** The applicant shall submit as part of his application three (3) copies of a survey or other instrument such as a recorded plat indicating the area of the name change.

**SECTION 6.** The payment of a filing fee in the amount of One-Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) shall be required at the time of filing.

**SECTION 7.** The applicant shall submit as part of the filing a cover letter outlining the proposal and stating the reasons for the proposed change.

**SECTION 8.** After filing the proper forms and meeting the requirements set forth above, the applicant shall give notice to affected properties as required below. Before the Planning Commission shall consider a petition for a name change, the applicant shall first give at least 30 days written notice of the time, place and date of the public hearing thereon to all residents of land abutting portions of the street involved. This includes all occupants of apartment houses, business occupants and single-family homes.

**SECTION 9.** The notice shall be by certified mail. Copies of certified mail receipts must be submitted to the Code Enforcement Department, one (1) week prior to the hearing date. The form for notice shall be that as provided by the staff.

**SECTION 10.** The applicant should be present at the meeting in order to answer any questions of the Commission or other interested parties. The absence of the applicant may be cause for deferral or rejection.

**SECTION 11.** The applicant's noncompliance with the above may be cause for the petition to be withheld or not considered at the meeting scheduled and may require the re-notification of all residents/property owners.

**SECTION 12.** If the Planning Commission approves the request, then the application shall be presented to the City Council for consideration.

**Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**HON. JULIAN LOTT  
MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DONNA STEWART  
CITY CLERK**



PETITION FOR A CHANGE OF STREET NAME

CAMDEN PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING DOCKETED FOR \_\_\_\_\_ AT \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

A petition is hereby submitted to the Board of Directors/Camden City Council/Alderman-Alderwoman of the City of Camden, Arkansas through the Camden Planning Commission, requesting a change of name for the following described street.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_ SQ. FT. \_\_\_\_\_ ACRES \_\_\_\_\_

Present use of the properties the street serves:

No. of Residences \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Businesses \_\_\_\_\_

It is understood that notice of the public hearing hereon before the Camden Planning Commission will be circulated by the applicant at his/her expense to all parties in interest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(OWNER)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(MAILING ADDRESS)

Home

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(AGENT)

Business

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES (FAMILY MEMBERS AND OR ORGANIZATIONS/ASSOCIATIONS)

NAME

ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR A CHANGE OF  
STREET NAME**

Planning Commission Approval/Denial: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Chairman of Planning Commission*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Secretary of Planning Commission*

City Council Approval/Denial: \_\_\_\_\_

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Mayor*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of City Clerk*

PETITION FOR A CHANGE OF STREET NAME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CAMDEN PLANNING COMMISSION ON A PETITION TO RENAME A STREET

To all occupants, owners and residents abutting the following street:

Location/Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent or Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the said petition will be held by the Camden Planning Commission in the Board of Directors Chambers, City Hall, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

Meetings between the developer, the staff and the neighborhood residents can be arranged prior to the public hearing if desired. The applicant/petitioner is \_\_\_\_\_ can be contacted at the telephone number \_\_\_\_\_.

All parties in interest may appear and be heard at said time and place or may notify the Planning Commission of their views on this matter by letter. All persons interested in this petition are invited to call 870.836.6436 or visit the Code Enforcement Department, 206 Buren NE Camden, Arkansas 71701.

APPLICANT (Owner or Authorized Agent): \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR A CHANGE OF  
STREET NAME**

**AFFIDAVIT**

I hereby certify that I have properly notified all owners or residents of record as directed in the instructions for filing a petition to rename a street. Further, that proof of such notice has been provided to the staff of the Planning Commission in compliance with the instructions.

APPLICANT (Owner or Authorized Agent):

\_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

**PETITION FOR A CHANGE OF  
STREET NAME**

City of Camden

Date

RE: Re-naming of Street

To all occupants, owners and residents abutting the following street:

Please accept this as proper notice to all owners or residents of record of the re-naming of \_\_\_\_\_ Street. The City of Camden has passed an Ordinance Re-naming \_\_\_\_\_ Street to \_\_\_\_\_ Street on \_\_\_\_\_.

The City posted this notice at the following locations:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

**ORDINANCE NO. 13-22**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, FIXING THE RATE OF TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2023; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** Upon each and every dollar of taxable property, both real and personal, there shall be and is hereby levied the following rate of taxation for the year 2023:

1. For defraying the general expense of the City, known as taxes for general purposes:
  - 5.0 mills on the dollar for real property.
  - 5.0 mills on the dollar for personal property.
2. For creating a fund to be used for the payment of firemen’s pensions:
  - 1.0 mills on the dollar for real property.
  - 1.0 mills on the dollar for personal property.
3. For creating a fund to be used for the payment of policemen’s pensions:
  - 1.0 mills on the dollar for real property.
  - 1.0 mills on the dollar for personal property.
4. For creating a fund to be used for maintenance of a public library:
  - 1.0 mills on the dollar for real property.
  - 1.0 mills on the dollar for personal property.

**SECTION 2.** The County Clerk of Ouachita County, Arkansas, on receipt of a duly certified copy of this Ordinance from the City Clerk of the City of Camden, is directed to enter upon the tax books of Ouachita County, Arkansas, for the year 2023, the foregoing rate of taxation by which all property, both real and personal, is assessed in the City of Camden, and the Collector of Ouachita County, Arkansas, is directed to collect said taxes and pay over to the Treasurer of the City of Camden the respective amounts so collected and found due to said City on his statement with the County Clerk of Ouachita County, Arkansas.

**SECTION 3.** It is recognized that according to the provisions of Arkansas Code Ann. § 26-26-406, the County Clerk of Ouachita County, Arkansas, has the statutory authority to make base year adjustments to the millage levy for personal property outlined above.

**SECTION 4.** It is ascertained that the time for making the levy of these taxes for the year 2023 is about to expire and in order to prevent the loss of revenues to the City of Camden, it is necessary that this Ordinance take effect immediately; therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Mayor**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**City Clerk**