



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM

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

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION - Jerry Ables, Pastor - Victory Church, 1283 U.S. 278 Business, 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 of the December 13, 2022 meeting.

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

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

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion to accept 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 Green, 1016 Amanda, thanked his Aldermen and congratulated the Mayor on her election. He requested more affordable housing in the City, and asked the Council to be more accountable budget wise.

Callie Hughey, 257 Madison, asked that audience participation be moved to the end of the meeting, requested that the former Mayor's vehicle be repaired for the current Mayor to drive, and stated that she doesn't think anything about the vehicle should go in Lott's file.

Larry Mitchell, 649 Magnolia Road, asked what he should do with leaves and was told to bag them and leave them on the side of the road to be picked up.

Michael Anderson, 430 Church Street, asked for a street light at the corner of Cross and Adams, and again requested that a barrier be installed on Grinstead at the 90° curve.

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Young welcomed the new Council Members and the members of Leadership Camden that were in the audience. The Mayor stated that she was looking forward to the coming year and reminded everyone that it is our job to give people hope of better things. She said that she is looking for working volunteers, not just someone to sit on a committee. She asked that everyone work together to make a better Camden. She then introduced Chris Wasson, Regional Manager of Customer Service with Entergy. Mr. Wasson said that Entergy had conducted a night audit and has replaced 172 lights so far. He said Entergy has a new App that can be used to report street lights that are out. He reminded everyone to include the SL# when reporting a street light and it helps to include the nearest address to the pole. He said lights are normally replaced within three days of the report.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. RESOLUTION NO. 71-22, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND ADOPTING FOR THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, AN ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman McCoy.

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

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. RESOLUTION NO. 01-23, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, RECOGNIZING *MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES* AS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, AND ADPOTING OTHER PROCEDURAL RULES.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

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

Passed

2. RESOLUTION NO. 2-23, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF OILS AND LUBRICANTS FOR THE YEAR 2023.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman Lindsey.

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

Passed

3. RESOLUTION 3-23, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF TIRES AND TUBES FOR THE YEAR 2023.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Castleberry.

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

Passed

4. RESOLUTION NO. 4-23, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF BATTERIES FOR THE YEAR 2023.
The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve 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
Passed
5. RESOLUTION NO. 5-23, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR TOWING REGULAR-SIZED CITY VEHICLES FOR THE YEAR 2023.
The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Aregood, Seconded by Alderman Winters.
Voting Yea: Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Winters
Voting Nay: Alderman Askew, Alderman Gulley, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore
Failed, Mayor did not vote to pass.
6. RESOLUTION NO. 6-23, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR TOWING LARGE-SIZED VEHICLES FOR THE YEAR 2023.
The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Lindsey, Seconded by Alderman Askew.
Voting Yea: Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman Winters
Voting Nay: Alderman Askew, Alderman Gulley, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore
Failed, Mayor did not vote to pass
7. RESOLUTION NO. 7-23, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD MOSLEY TO THE CAMDEN HOUSING AUTHORITY.
The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman McCoy.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters
Passed
8. RESOLUTION NO. 8-23, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING EBONY GULLEY AND ED WINTERS TO THE ADVERTISING PROMOTION COMMISSION.
The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Askew, Seconded by Alderman McCoy.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters
Passed
9. RESOLUTION NO. 9-23, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARK SMITH TO THE BOARD OF THE OUACHITA PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Winters, Seconded by Alderman Askew.
Voting Yea: Alderman Askew, Alderman Aregood, Alderman Castleberry, Alderman Gulley, Alderman Lindsey, Alderman McCoy, Alderman Moore, Alderman Winters
Passed

10. RESOLUTION NO. 10-23, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF GERALD CASTLEBERRY TO THE BOARD OF THE OUACHITA PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve made by Alderman Winters, Seconded by Alderman Aregood.

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

Passed

11. RESOLUTION NO. 11-23, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Mayor introduced the Resolution and the City Clerk read the number and title. Motion to approve was made by Alderman Askes, seconded by Alderman Winters.

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

Passed

K. OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Moore asked if the Street Sweeper is in Service. It is.

Alderman Lindsey stated that the Solid Waste Fund is going to have trouble staying solid. Fees for commercial pick ups need to be reviewed. He's working on a proposal.

Alderman Aregood requested a workshop on it and requested that Director Franklin and Superintendent Alford be included.

The City Clerk reminded everyone to complete their Pafford Air Application.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Askew made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Moore. 8:20 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk