



MINUTES

CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, September 9, 2014

6:30 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Anthony P. Scully
Mayor Pro-Tem Laurel M. Parks
Councilmember Walter M. Long, Jr.
Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford
Councilmember X. Willard Polk (absent)

City Clerk Brenda Davis
City Manager Mel Pearson
Finance Director Debra Courtney (absent)
Chronicle-Independent Editor Martin Cahn
and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anthony P. Scully called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to adopt the August 26, 2014, Work Session Meeting Minutes and the August 26, 2014, City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

PROCLAMATION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Long, voted unanimously to proclaim the week of September 17 – 23, 2014 as Constitution Week. Shirley Ransom, member of the Hobkirk Hill Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution was in attendance to receive the proclamation.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

John Cushman, Vice Chair of the S.C. Equine Foundation Board was in attendance to present an update on the board's decision to move forward with plans for a second covered arena at the S.C. Equine Park. The new arena will be similar to the covered arena built in Conyers, Georgia, which will be 30-feet in height compared to the existing arena on Cleveland School Road, which is 20-feet in height. The new arena will provide an opportunity to add shows/events and increase the economic impact of the park.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Camden Fire Department, Lt. Chris Tidwell updated council on the recent annual Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) "fill the boot" campaign. Camden Fire Department along with the Lugoff Fire Rescue Squad jointly raised more than \$19,500 for MDA.



Tara Heil, executive director of MDA Columbia presented the Camden Fire Department a plaque recognizing their participation and support for MDA.

PUBLIC FORUM

No public comments.

RESOLUTION #14-011

Council, on motion by Councilmember Drakeford, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing consumption of beer and wine at the Carolina Downhome Blues Festival.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Drakeford, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:46 p.m. to discuss a contractual matter.

REGULAR SESSION

Council unanimously agreed to re-enter regular session at 6:54 p.m. No action was taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Long, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

Brenda Davis, City Clerk