CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 12, 2015 6:30 P.M. Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT
Mayor Anthony P. Scully
Mayor Pro-Tem Jeffrey R. Graham
Councilmember Alfred Mae Drakeford
Councilmember Laurel M. Parks
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis
City Clerk Brenda Davis
City Manager Mel Pearson
Finance Director Debra Courtney
Chronicle-Independent Tenell Felder
and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION
Councilmember Laurel M. Parks 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 Davis, voted unanimously to adopt the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2015.

PUBLIC FORUM
Paul and Beth Krugman, 1011 Wateree Ave, owners of Ageless Restoration, Inc. introduced their company to Council as a part of Council recognizing the month May as Small Business Month. Mrs. Krugman stated she was honored to be a part of the Camden Business Community.

Willard Polk, 521 Cooks Court, spoke during the public forum regarding his concern of the budgeted amount of $12,500 for Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority (SWRTA). Mr. Polk expressed that he was pleased that the City appropriated the $12,500 funds for SWRTA.

Mr. Polk also spoke during the public forum regarding his concerns of the city (not) recognizing May as Colon Cancer Month. He briefly explained the importance of Colon Cancer.

Mr. Polk also began to speak regarding his concerns on the Broad Street Road Diet but according to public forum guidelines his allotted five minutes did not allow him to speak fully on this matter. For additional information regarding Mr. Polk’s comments in reference to the Broad Street Road Diet, please refer to his Broad Street Road Diet Point Paper dated March 25, 2014, filed in the City Clerk’s Office.
SC DHEC FACILITY EXCELLENCE AWARD 2014
The City of Camden Water Treatment Plant received the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Facility Excellence Award for the fourth (4th) consecutive year in a row. The award was presented to the Camden Water Treatment Plant at the South Carolina Environmental Conference on March 17, 2015. Public Works Deputy Director Sam Davis presented the award to Water Treatment Plant Manager David Enlow, in recognition of facility personnel who are striving for excellence in the protection of the environment and are meeting or exceeding compliance expectations.

WEASC SWAMP FOX DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AWARD
Council recognized City of Camden Water Treatment Plant Operator, Tommy Potteiger who was awarded the 2014 Environment Association of South Carolina Swamp Fox District Maintenance Award. Mr. Potteiger received the award on December 11, 2014 at Central Carolina Technical College, Sumter, SC based on his dedication, reliability, and willingness to go above and beyond to assure the highest level of water treatment plant operations.

PROCLAMATION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to proclaim the month of May 2015, as Mental Health Awareness Month. The following members of Mental Health America of Kershaw County were in attendance to receive the proclamation: Deborah J. Massalon, Director; Larry Graham, Chairman of the Board and Kathy Barnes, Board Secretary.

PROCLAMATION
Council, on motion by Councilmember Graham, seconded by Councilmember Parks, voted unanimously to proclaim the month of May 2015, as Small Business Month. Members of the Camden Business Alliance, Chamber of Commerce and several small business owners were in attendance to receive the proclamation.

ORDINANCE #2015-004 1st Reading
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve first reading of an ordinance adopting the operating and capital budget for the City of Camden, South Carolina Fiscal Year July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

RESOLUTION # 2015-012
Council on motion, by Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted to approve a resolution authorizing an application by the City for a FY 2015 Tiger Grant to fund the completion of the Road Diet Project; and other matters related thereto. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mayor Scully, Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, Councilmember...
Drakeford and Councilmember Davis. Voting in opposition of the motion was Councilmember Parks. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 2015-013
Council on motion, by Mayor Pro-Tem Graham, seconded by Councilmember Parks, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson, voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing the imposition of financial policies for the combined utility system of the City of Camden, South Carolina; and other matters relating thereto.

ATAX COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FY 2015-2016
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to approve the ATAX Committee recommendations for the disbursement of the City’s ATAX funds for FY 2015-2016.

AGREEMENT FOR CITY JUDGE
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from Council, voted unanimously to approve an agreement of services of a part-time City Judge; Mr. H. Clay Carruth, Jr. This term of agreement/contract is for a period of two years, beginning on July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

ADJOURN
There being no further business, Council on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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Anthony P. Scully, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Davis, City Clerk