CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 24, 2016
6:30 P.M.
Council Chambers-City Hall

PRESENT
Mayor Anthony P. Scully (absent)
Mayor Pro Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford
Councilmember Jeffrey R. Graham
Councilmember Laurel M. Parks
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis
City Clerk Brenda Davis

City Manager Mel Pearson
Assistant City Manager Caitlin Corbett
Finance Director Debra Courtney (absent)
Chronicle-Independent Jim Tatum
and interested citizens

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION
Councilmember Deborah Hudson Davis gave the invocation.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Pro Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford 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 May 10, 2016.

PUBLIC FORUM
No Public Comments.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2016 CAMDEN HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION PRESERVATION AWARDS

Donna Freyer, Chairperson of the Historic Landmark Commission, assisted by Mayor Pro Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford, presented the following awards:

2016 Awards Camden Historic Landmarks Commission

Renovation to a Designated Camden Historic Property
❖ 171 Chesnut Street – Ronna Creed
Preservation Excellence Award for Non-Profit Organization
❖ Historic Camden Foundation: Renovation of McCaa Tavern
Renovation to Downtown Historic Commercial Building
❖ 1000 Broad Street: Kimbrell’s
Helen Tupper Cultural Heritage Preservation Award
❖ Diana Easter DuBose
Community Impact Award
❖ Joanna Craig
BUDGET UTILITY TRUCK PURCHASE/Budget Transfer Funds
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Pearson, voted unanimously to approve a budget utility truck/budget transfer of funds to purchase a demonstration truck for the electric department.

WRECKER SERVICE FEES
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, followed by comments from City Manager Mel Person, voted unanimously to approve staff’s recommendations to adjust fees charged by wrecker operators who participate in the City’s police-requested towing.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Camden Historic Landmarks Commission
Council, on motion by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Davis, voted to table the appointment of Mrs. Becky Kline Witwer to the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission.

During discussion, Councilmember Parks stated that Mrs. Witwer was not a registered voter of the City of Camden but resides in the City of Camden. Council will reconsider the appointment at an upcoming council meeting upon Mrs. Witwer new registered voter status.

Council unanimously agreed to table the appointments to the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission.

OTHER BUSINESS
Councilmember Graham requested an update on the progress of the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission. Staff along with the Camden Historic Landmarks Commission will provide a report at an upcoming city council meeting.

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.

Attest:

Mayor Pro Tem Alfred Mae Drakeford

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City Clerk Brenda Davis