

Minutes

Camden Town Council Regular Meeting January 13, 2011

The Camden Town Council met in regular session on January 13, 2011, at the Camden-Jackson Township Public Library. Mr. Wagoner opened the meeting at 7:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Council Members Richard Fite and Andy Kelly, Town Attorney Anne Briggs, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly and two guests.

The Council elected officers and appointed Anne Briggs as town attorney to serve four year terms in January 2008 so an organization meeting for 2011 is not necessary. Mr. Wagoner mentioned this is the final year in the Council's four year term. Municipal elections will be held on November 8th. Interested persons were encouraged to file.

Mr. Fite made the motions to approve the minutes from the December 9th Regular Meeting and the December 30th Year-End Meeting. Motions were seconded by Mr. Kelly and passed. The January docket was also passed with a motion from Mr. Fite.

Goal Setting Meeting

The Council has met in January for the past several years to set goals for the current year. The planning meeting is helpful with budgeting and for all council members to be focus on common goals. Mr. Wagoner stated it was approximately one year ago the council met in such a session and asked the members if they were interested in meeting sometime this January. Following discussion, the members decided to meet in late January or February once a date is set to meet with the Trustee and his advisory board. Mr. Dittman, Trustee, has a meeting in Indianapolis and expected to learn more on the future of township government.

HSA Contribution

The town has contributed to the employees' Health Savings Accounts since they were adopted as a cost savings maneuver for the town. Mr. Fite made the motion to continue in 2011 with a contribution of \$4,000 per employee into the HSA. Motion seconded by Mr. Kelly and passed.

Grant Updates

Community Building – The notice to proceed was issued in 2010 and exterior digging is complete. The contractors have sealed the construction area with plastic to control dust and are expected to start interior work soon. The work is expected to be done by spring.

Water Line Project – Mr. Smith has everything together for the engineering design and would have put it to bid this month but the weather interfered with the ability to mark

utilities so the bidding was delayed until February. A meeting was held with the firemen for input on which hydrants need replaced and where it would be beneficial to add hydrants. Several options will be in the contract and will be used to keep the cost down. Plans call for an 8" line but 6" will be an alternate. Contractors will have 3 weeks to prepare their bids and Mr. Wagoner expects to let the contract in March for spring construction. A grant of \$737,875 and local match of \$30,000 will fund the project.

Housing Rehab Project – Three homes are 90% or more complete, another 5 homes are 20%-50% complete and material is on order for all the homes. Mr. Fite stated the contractors were all good but some had payment difficulties.

Ordinance Issues

There have been several complaints about dogs getting into neighbor's trash. Mr. Fite will find out who the owners are and Mrs. Briggs will send the necessary letters.

Miscellaneous

1. The Council decided to table appointing a representative to the K-IRPC Board of Commissioners. Mr. Fite served on the Board in 2010 but was reluctant to continue the position. The Council would welcome a volunteer interested in serving the community.
2. There is no update on the HHH. Mr. Wagoner mentioned a final public meeting will be held at Faith Baptist Church in Lafayette on January 24 at 6:00 to hear public input on the proposed roundabout at I-65. The HHC will not oppose the change in plan. As of now, the road construction is on schedule and funding is in place. There are two projects, Roanoke to I-69 and the 75 connection that need funding. The 75 interchange is funded but the connecting road is not. Each project involves about three miles of road.
3. The Town Office will be closed Monday, January 17th, for Martin Luther King Day.
4. The wastewater treatment plant is performing well and meeting all limits.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Mr. Fite.

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Peter F. Wagoner, President

ATTEST:

P.A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer

Richard Fite, Vice-President

Andrew Kelly, Member