

Minutes

Camden Town Council Regular Meeting October 11, 2012

The regular meeting of the Camden Town Council was called to order at 7:00 by President Richard Fite, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Members Kandance Funk and Jeff Sieber, Attorney Anne Briggs, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly, and three guests.

The minutes from the September 13th meeting were approved by a motion from Mr. Sieber, seconded by Ms. Funk. Following a review of the docket and claims, Ms. Funk made the motion to approve payment of the bills, seconded by Mr. Sieber and passed.

2013 Budget Adopted

The 2013 Budget was presented for adoption by the Council. Being as there were no questions on the budget, Ms. Funk moved to adopt **Ordinance 2012-6, the 2013 Budget for the Town of Camden**. Motion seconded by Mr. Sieber and passed. By a motion from Ms. Funk, seconded by Mr. Sieber, pays for 2013 were increased 3% for all employees, except for the Town Council who will not have a salary increase.

Town Contracts for Services

Perfective Web Designs, Inc. presented a contract totaling \$350 for renew of hosting serviced and domain name (\$100) and maintenance agreement (\$250) for services thru September 20, 2103. Contract was approved by a motion from Mr. Sieber, seconded by Ms. Funk.

The contract with Keystone Software Systems for maintenance on the town's payroll, billing, budget and assets programs, \$4615, was approved by a motion from Ms. Funk, seconded by Mr. Sieber.

The Council decided to wait on the painting of the community building until next year and take bids at that time. More work may be needed on the building and they would like to have all the work done at one time.

An Outdoor Lighting Service Agreement was signed with Duke Energy to replace 16 lights along Main Street. Three lights will be eliminated. The Council voted to prepare an additional appropriation and make the payment of \$59,156.05 as a one-time payment. Reserve funds will be used for this improvement.

Pavement Solutions completed the crack sealing of streets for this year but could not complete the slurry seal work. Mr. Snavely is to contact the company to have a contract

prepared to do the work in 2013 and the funds are to be encumbered into the 2013 budget.

Main Street Program

Mr. Sieber reported he spoke with Barbara McCain, Camden Preservation Society, and she will investigate why Camden is no longer a part of the state's Main Street Program. Mrs. McCain further stated the Preservation Society will be willing to take on the responsibility of the Main Street Program for the town. Mr. Sieber will try to have an answer as to why Camden lost its Main Street status by the November meeting.

Ordinance Violations and Other Legal Matters

The Council had several issues and questions on properties:

1. Ms. Funk questioned the town being named in a foreclosure suit. It was explained the town has a lien on the property from the housing grant projects. Mrs. Briggs took care of the matter.
2. A certified letter will be mailed to the Ed Williams estate informing them of the property needing to be cleaned up. If it is not done, the town will hire the work done and place a lien on the property for cost.
3. There are several properties that need to be cleaned up. A list of addresses will be sent to Mrs. Briggs for letters to be sent. The Health Department may be contacted concerning certain residents.
4. Ms. Funk questioned the legality of cars parking along the streets facing traffic. Mrs. Briggs will research state statute and prepare an ordinance as directed.
5. Mr. Sieber asked Marshal Mullen to help at the Early Childhood Center during the Red Ribbon Week.
6. By a request from Mr. Fite the Council approved the installation of "School Zone" signs on Water Street. Mr. Snively said he might have signs on hand and will take care of the installation.

Miscellaneous

1. The Ribbon Cutting for the Hoosier Heartland Highway, segment from SR 231 south of Delphi to Lafayette, will be October 24. The Council approved payment of lunch cost for town officials who will be attending the luncheon.
2. Halloween hours were set for October 31st from 6 until 8.

3. Leaf pickup has begun. Citizens were reminded to rake the leaves to the curb. Branches, rocks and heavy debris are to be removed from the leaves as they will damage the leaf vac.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 by a motion from Mr. Sieber.

Camden Town Council

Richard Fite, President

Kandance Funk, Vice President

Jeff Sieber, Member

ATTEST:

P.A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer