

Minutes

Camden Town Council

Regular Meeting

December 12th, 2006

The regular meeting of the Camden Town Council was called to order by President Ralph Rohrabough. Present were Members Andy Robison, Michele Everett, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly, attorney Anne Briggs and seven guests.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the December docket was approved by a motion from Andy, seconded by Michele. The minutes of the November 14th meeting were approved by Andy, seconded by Michele.

CDBG Public Hearing

This meeting was also a properly advertised public hearing on the CDBG for the wastewater project. Attendees were reminded to sign the registration sheet. The meeting was turned over to Amy Miller of Cornerstone Grants Management who reviewed the project and requirements. Written permission was given allowing Ms. Miller to write the minutes for the public hearing. The proposal must be submitted by January 12th and the application is due March 16th. The project will require a grant for \$500,000 and a SRL in the amount of \$250,000. Awards will be announced in late May or early June. Due to scoring changes, local effort will be very important. This is a competitive grant and will require letters of support as well as signatures on a petition. Attendance at public meetings will also be considered when scoring is done. Local effort will be needed in monetary form with support from Carroll County Economic and donations. Steve Brock, Therber & Brock, was contacted by Ms. Miller to discuss rates. The benchmark set by the state is \$25 for water and \$30 for sewer (4000 gallons).

Insurance Issues

The Council voted to decline the terrorism insurance. For this coverage to take effect, the act would have to result in a \$5 million loss, kill or seriously injure 50 or more people, be declared an act of terrorism by the President or Secretary of State and be a foreign act. It was voted decline the Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Coverage equal to the limits of the automotive policy and accept the \$1million limits.

The decision was also made to fund the employee's HSAs by a motion from Andy, seconded by Michele.

Deputy Marshal Hired

Deputy Marshal Tony Burns was elected sheriff and will no longer be a deputy for the Town of Camden after January 1, 2007. The application of John Chapman was accepted by a motion from Michele, seconded by Andy. Deputy Marshal Chapman will work part time along with Marshal Steve Mullin.

175th Celebration Banners and Quilt Drawing

Deb Foreman and Jeff Sieber, 175th Celebration Officers, attended the meeting to reveal a sample banner made by Vital Signs of Camden. The 12 banners will be hung on Main Street after the Christmas decorations are taken down.

Anne Briggs was asked to draw the winning raffle ticket for the quilt (handmade by Jane Penn). The winner, Jane Adams, will be called by Jeff.

TDS Business Office to Close

The Town Office received information that TDS will close their local business office on January 29, 2007. In an effort to prevent the closing, petitions asking for the office to remain open are at the town office, Camden grocery store, and TDS office. Copies were also sent to Jim Tribbett, Liberty Township Trustee, Grace Deel in Rockfield and Betty's Stop & Shop in Deer Creek due to their communities' interest in the phone company. Residents were urged to send e-mails and letters to the company voicing their concerns.

Fire Department Seeks Funds

Ron Wertz, Jackson Township Fire Department, informed the Council the department is applying for a grant to purchase a new thermo imaging camera. Bryon Rude has written the grant and citizens are encouraged to visit the web site "myhometownhelpers.com" to submit a letter of support. The current camera is 10 years old and the department feels it is important to have modern equipment at hand.

Defibrillators

The two defibrillators bought through grant funds from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute arrived. One will be placed in the community building and the other at Dr. Anderson's office. Instruction on their proper use will be given to the marshals and a few firemen by Dr. Anderson.

Miscellaneous Business

1. Businesses interested in being listed on the town's web page were encouraged to submit their information. A calendar of events will be worked on after the first of the year.
2. Tony Carlson came before the Council to request his east-west alley be graveled. The sod will need removed and stone put in. Mr. Carlson stated he would help with the stone fee. The Council stated they would

look into it with Allen George and discuss the issue further after cost is determined.

Meeting adjourned.

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Ralph J. Rohrabough, President

Andrew Robison, Member

ATTEST:

Michele Everett, Member

P.A. Casserly

Clerk-Treasurer