

Minutes

Camden Town Council

Public Hearing on Downtown Revitalization Project

March 11, 2010

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Public Hearing for the Downtown Revitalization Project was called to order at 7:00 by President Peter Wagoner. Present were Council Members Andy Kelly and Richard Fite, Legal Council Anne Briggs, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly and eleven guests.

Following opening comments, Mr. Wagoner turned the public hearing over to Patricia Casserly, Grant Administrator for the project. Mrs. Casserly stated:

The Town of Camden intends to apply to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for a grant from the Office of Community and Rural Affairs's Community Focus Fund of the State Community Development Block Grant Program. Tonight is a required public hearing to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federally funded CDBG project. Rural communities have many pressing needs that require outside financial assistance. Through the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, Indiana requests federal funds to help rural communities with a variety of project such as sewer and water systems, community centers, health and safety programs, downtown revitalization and many others. These funds help communities improve their quality of life and ensure the health and safety of their citizens.

The town is requesting a grant fro \$500,000 for a downtown revitalization project which will include sidewalks, curbs, streetlights, improved drainage and improvement to the town's activity lot. The amount of CDBG funds to benefit low-moderate persons is \$261,250. The town will have a match of \$60,000 to come from the General Fund (\$35,000), Economic Development Fund (\$15,000), Motor Vehicle Highway Fund (\$5,000) and Local Roads and Street Fund (\$5,000). No persons will be displaced as a result of this project.

The floor was then opened for questions. Mr. Wagoner stated this was the town's second attempt to secure grant funding for the project and will be submitted on or about March 19th.

Being as there were no questions from those in attendance, the public hearing adjourned at 7:10 by a motion from Mr. Fite.

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Peter F. Wagoner, President

Richard Fite, Vice-President

Andrew Kelly, Member

ATTEST:

P.A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer