

Minutes

Camden Town Council Regular Meeting April 18, 2013

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.

A motion to approve minutes from the March 14th meeting was made by Mr. Sieber and seconded by Ms. Funk. The Council reviewed and initialed the APVs for March and April. There were no questions on the docket. Ms. Funk made the motion to approve the docket as presented, seconded by Mr. Sieber and passed. The Council was given a copy of the 2013 Circuit Breaker Credit Report. Camden residents will have a corporation credit of \$20,450 due to the property tax caps. It was explained that the 2013 budget was built with an anticipated loss of \$20,000 so if the expenses are kept in check, the budget will be ok.

New Business

Pete Wagoner gave an update on the HHH. He attended a meeting last weekend and was told the highway is on schedule due to a lot of work being done over the winter. The highway is totally funded. As sections of the road are completed, they are expected to be opened for use. A ribbon cutting is planned for November 12th and will be held in Logansport. Another spring meeting is being discussed and is expected to be held in Camden during May. The Coalition is still striving to have the road around Roanoke built and Hwy 75 extended from the flasher in Camden north to the connection with the highway.

Ken Smith, Municipal Corporation, prepared a Carroll County REMC Roundup Grant application for assistance with the installation of sidewalks along North Monroe Street. The application is asking for \$3,000 and states the town will provide a \$10,000 match. Mr. Fite thanked Mr. Smith for preparing the application and noted the total cost of the project would be much greater but will be worked on as grants are received.

The Camden-Jackson Twp Public Library requested financial assistance to replace the stone along the west side of the library. The cost to the library would be \$700 and they requested \$350. Following a discussion and the need for additional information, the Council tabled the request.

Stacy Foreman, Camden Youth Day Parade Chairperson, submitted a letter requesting the usual streets be closed for the parade on May 4th. Permission has been secured from the State Highway Department for the closure of SR 218 during the parade. Mrs. Foreman

also requested “No Parking” signs be posted around the downtown area and the use of the town’s video camera. The Council granted the requests by a motion from Mr. Sieber, seconded by Ms. Funk.

Bill Dittman sent a verbal request to have James and Washington Streets closed from Water to Ohio Streets on May 18th for a tractor pull. The pull will start at 11:00 and should be finished by 5:00. Motion to approve the request was made by Ms. Funk and seconded by Mr. Sieber. Mr. Mears and Mr. Snavelly will put out the barricades.

Old Business

Repairs to the community building were discussed. Mr. Snavelly has not had any responses to his request for information and costs to repair/replace the block front. The first objective will be to improve drainage to pull water away from the building. New drains will be installed. The furnaces were repaired and the other two were cleaned. Shane Chapman, A&H Chapman Mechanical, suggested installing air conditioning and new furnaces to be energy efficient. He will have a price available for consideration by June so the matter can be considered when the 2014 budget is discussed. Work on the parking lot was tabled until a decision is made on how to repair the building front.

The Council voted to accept the counter-offer for providing a VPO services at \$750/year by a motion from Ms. Funk, seconded by Mr. Sieber.

Notice was sent that the street lights are on back order but are expected by May. The City of Delphi was thanked for sending men to remove the electrical lines for the decorations, the banners and banner brackets.

No further action was taken on the two properties (388 N. Armstrong and 253 W. Cumberland) discussed at the March meeting in regards to clean-up needed.

Miscellaneous

1. The 4-H Club will plant flowers on May 4th. The parade will be held the same day at 7:00pm.
2. A second community blood drive will be on May 21st 3-7pm.
3. Spring Clean-Up is planned for June 8th. The township will have a scrap metal dumpster in the community building parking lot Jun 3rd -13th.
4. A Community Club fish fry will be June 15th, 5-7pm.
5. NWISWD Household Hazardous Waste & Tire Collection will be June 29th, Flora, from 8-noon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Ms. Funk.

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Richard Fite, President

Kandance Funk, Vice President

ATTEST:

P. A. Casserly

Clerk-Treasurer

Jeff Sieber, Member