

Minutes

**Camden Town Council
Special Meeting
Planning the 2013 Budget and Other Matters
June 21, 2012**

The specially called and properly advertised meeting of the Camden Town Council was called to order at 5:00 by President Richard Fite. Present were Members Kandance Funk and Jeff Sieber, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly, and four guests. Attorney Anne Briggs was absent.

Matters considered by the Council prior to discussing the 2013 budget were:

1. Rita Ross, 499 W Washington Street, submitted a letter requesting a pool fill adjustment due to a new pool liner. Being as a similar request was granted at a prior meeting, Mr. Sieber made the motion to grant the adjustment. This was seconded by Ms. Funk. The Clerk-Treasurer informed the Council of another citizen who had a liner replaced and was told adjustments were allowed only for an initial fill, as stated in Ordinance 2004-1. Mr. Sieber made the motion directing the Clerk-Treasurer to contact Mrs. Briggs and prepare an amendment to Ordinance 2004-1 to read: (1) A pool or a pool with a new liner requiring an initial fill may have an initial fill resulting in the customer being billed at the current water rate for only the water used. There shall be no sewage charge on an initial fill or when the pool liner is replaced. Proof of purchase shall be required for the new liner.” Motion seconded by Mr. Fite and passed. The customer at 413 W Main is to be given a sewer adjustment to be consistent with the other two customers.

2. Ken Smith gave Mr. Fite three grant applications for organizations that may consider funding a sidewalk for the west side of Monroe Street. Mr. Fite would like to have a new sidewalk installed from the Senior Citizen area to Main Street. Mr. Smith requested a cement quote from a company but did not receive it before the meeting.

3. A discussion was held on the removal of two evergreen trees and a lilac bush behind the property at 460 W. Main Street. Curtis George, property owner, said he was paid for the trees by Mr. Smith and told the trees would die due to digging for the water line project and would be removed as part of the project. The contractors were able to realign the project and worked around the trees so they were not removed. Mr. George wants the trees taken down. He feels they are dying and will be a liability if not removed now. Mr. Smith offered to pay \$300 toward the cost of having the trees removed if F&K would pay the balance and have the trees and stumps taken. Mr. Smith stated he did not know of the re-alignment until he was called by Mr. George. Rusty Good, F&K Construction, stated most of the time the property owner wants the trees left in and Mr. Snavelly wanted the line as straight as possible which is why the change was made. Mr. Good indicated he was not in a position to make a commitment but asked if the area would need seeded and restored. Mr. Smith stated he did not know; the contractor was responsible as part of the

project. Mr. Smith concluded the discussion by promising the two trees and the lilac bush would be out by August 1st.

4. Ms. Funk made the motion to prohibit fireworks within the town limits as long as the county wide burn ban is in place. Motion seconded by Mr. Sieber and passed. Notices will be posted.

5. Concern was expressed about the intersection of Sanderson and Cemetery Streets. The road curves no signs are posted but traffic comes north from the cemetery and east from the shooting range. Mrs. Briggs will be asked about posting a “Stop” or “Yield” sign at this intersection.

The Council reviewed the 2012 budget and set the 2013 budget expenditures to be about the same for all funds. Other budget actions include:

1. Due to the increase in health insurance premiums, options will be explored. Glendon Wolf, Norris Insurance, will be invited to the July meeting to present options. A preliminary application was filed with the state for acceptance into the state insurance program.

2. Mr. Fite will meet with the marshals to review their responsibilities.

3. Estimates will be requested to paint the exterior of Community Building.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 by a motion from Mr. Sieber.

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Richard Fite, President

Kandance Funk, Vice President

ATTEST:

P.A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer

Jeff Sieber, Member