

# Minutes

## **Camden Town Council Regular Meeting September 13, 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 two guests.

Mr. Fite announced the evening's meeting was the public hearing for the 2013 Budget. The Clerk-Treasurer stated the non-binding County Council review will be September 18<sup>th</sup> and the budget is planned to be adopted at the October Council meeting. The 2013 Budget was read by the Clerk-Treasurer. Being as there were no questions from the Council or the public, the public hearing was closed.

The minutes from the August 9th 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

### **Town Employee Issues**

The question of increasing the town's share of contributions to the employees' health savings account, table during the August Council meeting, was brought back for discussion. Ms. Funk held to her statement the contribution should remain at the current level of \$2,000 per employee. Mr. Sieber felt the contribution amount should be increased to \$3,000, half of the employees' deductibles. Mr. Fite voted with Ms. Funk, resulting in the contribution remaining at \$2,000 per employee on the town's health insurance.

**Ordinance 2012-7, 2013 Salary Ordinance** was presented for consideration. The proposed salary ordinance would leave the pay levels the same as 2012. The Council asked to have information of cost if the salaries were increased 1% or 2%. The Clerk-Treasurer will prepare a spreadsheet for review.

### **Ordinance Issues**

**Amendment to Ordinance No. 2007-4, Sections III and V**, changed the ordinance to meet new state statute requiring notice to be given by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the property owner of record and sets out an appeal process. By this ordinance, the town may post a continuance abatement notice at the property at the time the Town has abated the nuisance and this notice will serve as notice for the year. Motion to accept the Amendment to Ordinance No. 2007-4 was made by Mr. Sieber, seconded by Ms. Funk and passed.

**Resolution 2012-D, Transfer of Funds**, was presented by the Clerk-Treasurer. This Resolution outlined the transfer of certain funds within the same major category. Following the reading of the transfers, Mr. Fite moved acceptance, seconded by Ms. Funk.

**Policy Regarding Burn Ban**, allowing the Jackson Township Fire Chief to declare burn bans within the Town, was adopted by a motion from Mr. Sieber, seconded by Ms. Funk.

**Miscellaneous**

1. The estimate from Christian Brothers Painting was reviewed and the Council requested a second estimate.
2. Beverly Herr, Select Seed, submitted a letter requesting the late fee be waived stating she did not receive a bill in September and the matter was forgotten until the late notice was received. She further stated some of the bills were sent to Burlington by the Flora Post Office and that may be the cause of her bill being lost. The Council voted against waiving the fee stating they understand what she is saying but the bills are due every month and they had recently ruled that any payment received after the 11<sup>th</sup> of the month would be subject to penalty.
3. Application to the Indiana Main Street was tabled for further review.
4. The Ribbon Cutting for the Hoosier Heartland Highway, segment from SR 231 south of Delphi to Lafayette, will probably be October 24.
5. The Camden Methodist Church will have their Kentucky Mountain Mission drive September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
6. The Firemen's Breakfast is planned for October 6<sup>th</sup>.
7. The Town Office will be closed October 8<sup>th</sup> for Columbus Day.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 by a motion from Mr. Sieber.

Camden Town Council

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Richard Fite, President

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Kandance Funk, Vice President

ATTEST:

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P.A. Casserly  
Clerk-Treasurer

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Jeff Sieber, Member