

**MINUTES
FOR THE JULY 20 TH, 2017
CAMDEN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

A properly called and advertised meeting of the Camden Town Council was held at the Camden Town office on July 20th, 2017. President Andrew Robison called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Present were Members Mark Schock and Brent Deel, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly, Street Superintendent Jerry Snavelly and Peter Wagoner of the Camden-Flora Rail Corridor Commission.

Mr. Wagoner briefed the Council on progress of the recycling center and refinery planned for south of Camden. Several members of that team met on Monday in Indianapolis and again on Tuesday in Flora to discuss construction, insurance, utilities and time line. Contracts have been signed on some of the utility needs and construction. Ken Smith, Municipal Civil Corp, was asked to prepare a draft utility service agreement for the town. Several aspect of the project were touched upon including:

- *Wells Fargo National Construction will oversee risk protection and coordinate all aspect of insurance;
- *Green Machine Equipment will supply the recycling system;
- *The recycling and refinery will be built at the same time;
- *Tentative time line: move dirt starting November 1st; civil engineering complete by end of August; building location determined by mid-August; and finish in approximately fifteen months;
- *Mark Schindler will oversee both facilities; Don Willis will manage Camden Recycling and a third person will manage the refinery; currently, Danielle Hall-Mitchell (US Rail) is the financial manager;
- *The building for the recycling was increased by 100,000 square feet to allow better flow of train cars and to keep the cars under roof; the original building size was 400,000 square feet; the original concept (rotary dump) for unloading the cars may change due to the size of the train cars now expected to make deliveries; a car should be unloaded every twenty minutes;
- *Utilities: REMC expects to have power to the plant in 18 - 24 months; two transformers may be needed - 9 and 5 megawatt, therefore transform stations are needed; no guarantee on the amount of power they may use; natural gas should not be a problem as a line runs to Hog Slats; high-speed internet may be an issue; water & wastewater volumes are expected to be as reported at the meeting held in Camden on July 11th; boring and checking for wells may be done for fire protection; Camden will supply water and wastewater with an agreement GEP will be responsible for all costs;
- * A purchase agreement is signed for the land (80 acres) and the closing will be sometime in August;
- * No environmental issues are expected.
- * Local elected officials are being kept current of the progress.

Mr. Schock stated Purdue is very interested in the project as a green movement.

Due to a customer turning on water after service was discontinued for none payment, Mrs. Briggs will be directed to prepare an ordinance addressing the actions that will be taken. Flora and Delphi have ordinances addressing this issue. Flora's ordinance has a \$500 fine.

The contracts with Umbaugh and Ice Miller were tabled until the service agreement is prepared and signed. Concern was expressed that the wastewater discharge will not be ask clean as predicted and IDEM may require upgrades to the plant.

Following discussion, the proposed storm water rate plan prepared by Umbaugh was approved by the Council and the ordinance will be prepared for adoption at the August meeting.

Approval for payment of claims from ABC Concrete for the Community Crossing Grant cement work (\$13,900) and the sidewalk on East Main Street (\$4,250) were approved by a motion from Mr. Deel, seconded by Mrs. Schock. The grant will be closed once he is paid.

Mr. Robison signed several documents related to the grant application for the storm water project. Permission was given for him to sign additional documents should any be needed prior to the next meeting.

Mr. Snively informed the Council Delphi's wastewater department has a sewer vac truck for sale for \$5,000 and is giving Camden first option. Following discussion and Mr. Snively contacting Delphi's superintendent, the Council approved the truck purchase for \$5,000 to be taken from the Rain Day Fund by a motion from Mr. Schock, seconded by Mr. Robison. It is understood there are no guarantees with this purchase and the truck is sold "as-is". Mr. Schock requested the truck be kept under-roof and not be stored outside; the police car may need to be stored inside the community building.

The Council and Clerk-Treasurer worked on the 2018 budget until the meeting adjourned at 3:35. The budget will be presented to the Council prior to the August meeting for review.

Camden Town Council

Andrew Robison, President

Mark Schock

Brent Deel

ATTEST:

P. A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer