

**Camden Town Council Meeting
September 25, 2015
Camden Town Office**

The properly called and advertised special meeting of the Camden Town Council was called to order by President Richard Fite. Present were Members Andy Robison & Kandance Funk and Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly.

During the regular meeting on September 17th, discussion on the employees' health insurance was tabled to allow the Council time to consider the information presented by Norris Insurance. Mr. Robison wanted to confirm there would be sufficient funds in the budget to cover the cost. The Clerk-Treasurer verified the 2016 budget is set at an amount sufficient for the increase. Both Mr. Fite and Mr. Robison expressed the thought that sometime in the future employees will be forced to contribute to the premium due to rising costs. By a motion from Mr. Robison, seconded by Ms. Funk, the insurance renewal date was changed from 12/1 to 10/1 to keep the costs down. Mr. Fite expressed the opinion the next council will need to tackle the employee contribution issue.

Other topics discussed included:

1. Marshal dedicated phone line: By a motion from Mr. Robison, seconded by Ms. Funk, phone number 574-686-3800 will be discontinued due to lack of use. Non-emergency calls should be directed to the town office at 574-686-2121 and callers with an emergency should dial 911.
2. Cleaning Person: Currently the person who cleans the community building is hired as an independent contractor. However, due to the requirements of carrying liability and workman's comp insurances, filling the position has been difficult. The Clerk-Treasurer asked the Council to consider hiring a person as an employee paid by the hour. The budget allows \$1,000/year for cleaning the community building and restrooms. Those funds could be moved into the Personal Services section of the budget. A job description and suggested hourly rate will be prepared for consideration at the October regular meeting.
3. Curb painting: Mr. Robison asked to have youth from the Baptist Church paint the curbs. The children need to do community service projects in order to attend their summer camp. Due to the age of the children the project was discouraged.
4. Insurance Bond: The town marshal and deputy marshal will need to be bonded due to receipting cash for fees and charges. A blanket bond will be purchased effective 1-1-2016 through RME Insurance by a motion from Mr. Robison, seconded by Ms. Funk.
5. Marshal's Radar: The Council approved the marshal to start pricing a new radar unit.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56a.m. following a motion from Mr. Robison.

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Richard Fite, President

ATTEST:

Andy Robison

P. A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer

Kandance Funk