

# **Minutes**

## **Camden Town Council**

### **Regular Meeting**

**January 10, 2008**

The Camden Town Council met in regular session on January 10 for the first meeting of 2008. In attendance were Council Members Peter Wagoner, Andy Kelly, Richard Fite, Clerk-Treasurer Pat Casserly, attorney Anne Briggs and seven citizens. Following the Pledge of Allegiance the Council elected officers. By motions from Mr. Kelly, Mr. Wagoner was elected Council President and Mr. Fite was elected Vice-President. Mr. Wagoner and Mr. Fite accepted the positions and stated they would do their best to serve Camden. The officers' terms will run for the four years. Mr. Kelly also made a motion to retain Mrs. Briggs as the town's attorney for 2008 through 2011. Motion passed and accepted by Mrs. Briggs.

The minutes from council meetings on December 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and public hearing on the wastewater grant were accepted by Mr. Wagoner as was the set of minutes from the December 27<sup>th</sup> year end meeting.

The docket for January was reviewed and accepted by a motion from Mr. Fite. In other financial matters, Resolution 2007-E, Transfer of Funds for Year End 2007, was presented for approval. Mr. Fite made the motion to approve the transfers, seconded by Mr. Kelly. The Council also accepted the encumbrance of funds totaling \$20,500 from 2007 into 2008 for street maintenance by a contract with Pavement Solutions, Inc. The company will do slurry and crack sealing of town streets later in the year.

### **2008 Appointments Announced**

The Council reviewed appointed positions that will need filled due to terms expiring December 31, 2007. Mrs. Diane Wertz was reappointed to the Camden-Jackson Township Library Board in 2007 and will hold the term through 2010.

Renewal and new terms are as follows:

Carroll County Economic Development	Richard Fite	2008-2009
(This position was previously held by Mr. Wagoner)		
Bob Overman		2008-2010
Bob McCain		2008-2011
(A change was made in the expiration dates to allow for a staggering of the terms.)		
Carroll County Board of Zoning Appeals	Pat Baker	2008-2011
(This is a continuation of the term for Mr. Baker)		
Carroll County Area Plan Commission	Peter Wagoner	2008-2011
(Mr. Wagoner is currently serving in this capacity.)		
Carroll County Emergency Management	Richard Fite	2008-2011
(Mr. Fite was originally appointed in 2007.)		
Carroll County E-911 Commission	Chuck Foreman	2008-2011
(Mr. Foreman is expected to hold the position for the next four years or as long as he is Chief of the Jackson Township Fire Department.)		
Carroll County Animal Control	Andy Kelly	2008-2011

Although the county wide animal control is no longer in existence, the Council appointed a representative in anticipation of local units banning together to form some type of animal control remedy.

### **Emergency Preparedness Update**

The generator is installed at the Community Building and is large enough to provide power to the entire building. This will enable the building to provide heat, food preparation area, a communication center, and an operational lab. The offices will also have power to provide public safety.

Eight local volunteers have completed the Red Cross training on the proper operation of a Red Cross shelter. The participants attended two classes conducted by a Red Cross representative and covered issues of staffing, security and logistics of shelter operations. The volunteers will reconvene to discuss resources necessary to have on hand in the building in the event of an emergency. Recognizing the possibility there may be times outside help can not reach the community, as in a snow or ice storm, the Council wants to be as prepared as possible.

Mr. Tom Cooper, Disaster Service Committee for the Tippecanoe County Red Cross, was introduced by Mr. Wagoner. Mr. Cooper explained the Chapter is planning a disaster exercise for March or April and would like to conduct the “disaster” portion in Camden. A table top exercise will be held in Tippecanoe County in the morning and then the first responders will be brought to Camden for an afternoon tornado exercise. Volunteer victims will be need for the exercise. The fire department, marshals and trained volunteers will be asked to participate. Mr. Fite will also be involved as he is the local contact for Emergency Management.

### **Grant Updates**

Star Development will be contacting grant participated to schedule appointments to discuss work write ups.

Ken Smith, Municipal Civil Corp, was introduced and stated the grant proposal for the wastewater project will be submitted January 11, 2008. The grant application is due in March. Mr. Smith and Ms. Miller, Cornerstone Grants Management, have been working to improve the application to ensure success.

Mr. Smith informed the Council there are other grants the town may want to pursue. Marshal Mullin is kept informed as to when the Indiana Criminal Justice Grants are available and he has been successful is securing funds to improve the marshal’s department. Mr. Fite asked if funds are available to install additional restroom in the community building. Mr. Smith will look into the possibility.

### **Miscellaneous Business**

1. The Council will hold a work session on January 31, 2008, to set goals for the year. Those who took part in the Red Cross Shelter training will be asked to supply input on how to improve the facility for emergency preparedness. Mr. Smith was also asked to attend with information on building improvement grants.
2. Mr. Wagoner expressed his support for extending Highway 75 north to join the Hoosier Heartland Corridor with the idea of an industrial park at the intersection that would benefit Camden. The opinion was also expressed that the county needs to become more pro-active in preparing for the Hoosier Heartland or we will not see a whole lot of benefit from this highway project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20.

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Peter F. Wagoner, President

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Richard Fite, Vice-President

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Andrew Kelly, Member

ATTEST:

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P.A. Casserly  
Clerk-Treasurer