Camden Town Council Meeting February 14, 2018 Camden-Jackson Twp. Library, Reading Room

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Deel opened the regular meeting of the Camden Town Council at 7:00. Present were Members Mark Schock and Andy Robison, Clerk Treasurer Pat Casserly, Attorney Anne Briggs and seven guests.

The motion to approve the January 10th minutes was made by Mr. Schock, seconded by Mr. Robison. The February Docket and Allowance Docket were approved by a motion from Mr. Robison, seconded by Mr. Schock. There were no questions concerning the claims that were reviewed and signed by the Council prior to approving the docket.

Laura Walls, Carroll County Economic Development Director, updated the Council on EDC activities in 2017 and mentioned the invoice for 2017 dues had been submitted for payment. The EDC was involved in two expensive projects for Indiana Packers working with the company and the County Redevelopment Commission to ensure the company's expansions happened in Carroll County. EDC has also worked with Peter's Industrial Development in Delphi securing six tenants. Flora's Sycamore Industrial Site has also received assistance. The Anderson's in Delphi is working to develop a truck route around the city which will also involve the EDC and the MPO staffs. The Council took under advisement suggestions on persons willing to serve on the EDC Board representing Camden. Mr. Schock reminded Ms. Walls the Town was wanting help in marketing the area east of the railroad tracks - the land belonging to Remington Seed. During discussion Mr. Robison stated he was told the land sold in an auction and a company was interested in knowing if they had located in that area. The EDC Officers are: Dick Traeger, President; Bret Rinehart, Vice-President; Joe Moss, Treasurer; and Bill Jones, Secretary.

The Clerk-Treasurer's Reported:

(1) The 1782 Notice was received setting the 2018 tax rate at \$1.5114 which is down from the 2017 rate of \$1.5814. A work session is needed to discuss cuts in the 2018 budget to balance with the expected revenue. An email was sent to the Council prior to the meeting with information and suggestions. The Council was advised the reductions could be "in-house" or the DLGF could be notified and the reduction be binding. If any unexpected expenses did arise after a reduction, an additional appropriation request could be made.

(2) The 2017 Annual Report has been submitted to the State Board of Accounts.

(3) Resolution 2018-B, Rainy Day Transfer, was introduced. The Council approved a transfer of \$38,840 into the fund at the January meeting. Motion to approve 2018-B was made by Mr. Robison, seconded by Mr. Schock.

(4) An Agreement for Consulting Services was signed with Bradley Grant Administration for services in securing and administrating funding assistance for the storm water infrastructure project. The scope of work includes labor standards, environmental review and grant administration. Motion to approve the contract was made by Mr. Robison, seconded by Mr. Schock.

(5) The Contract for Fire Protection between Jackson Township and the Town of Camden was approved by a motion from Mr. Schock, seconded by Mr. Robison.

(6) The Contract for Shooting Range with Purdue University on behalf of the Carroll County Cooperative Extension Service was approved by a motion from Mr. Schock, seconded by Mr. Robison.

(7) Contracts with Broadway Broadband and Pearson's Mowing were tabled.

(8) A work session is need to plan for the next INDOT Community Crossing grant. Pete Wagoner mentioned he attended the MPO meeting held in Lafayette earlier in the day and called attention to the poor condition of SR 218. Although patch paving was done last year, the highway is still in poor condition and is showing the effects of heavily loaded trucks. The failing street drains along SR 218 in Camden were discussed. Jerry Snavely is it meet with an INDOT representative to discuss the drains.

Old Business:

There is no update on the status of the Marshal.

Mr. Deel is still looking into a hard drive for the marshal's computer; a new computer may need to be bought.

The person who expressed interest in cutting the walnut tree at the Scout Barn does not have insurance so he can not do the job. If the tree is cut, it will need to be done by a tree service.

Mr. Deel mentioned painting the floor in the Community Building. Mr. Schock stated the various projects mentioned during the meeting will need to be prioritized at the work session.

Mr. Robison welcomed two new businesses to Camden - Andy Kelley Garage and JK Rentals.

Miscellaneous:

The town office will be closed February 19th for Presidents' Day. Ball signup is Feb. 18 and March 4th from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Community Building A fish fry is planned for March 10th.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Mr. Schock.

Camden Town Council

Brent Deel, President

ATTEST:

Mark Schock

P. A. Casserly Clerk-Treasurer Andrew Robison