

Camden Town Council Meeting
May 8, 2019
Camden-Jackson Twp. Library, Reading Room

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, President Brent 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 four guests. Mr. Robison provided the motion to accept the minutes from the April 10th meeting which was seconded by Mr. Deel. Mr. Schock abstained from acknowledging the minutes due to being absent during the April meeting. The May Docket and Allowance Docket were accepted by a motion from Mr. Schock. Prior to the start of the meeting the Council was given the opportunity to review the claims and ask any questions. Council members were given copies of the monthly reports and signed the acknowledgement.

Patrick Manahan, the attorney for Gordon Burwell at 667 N Water Street, approached the Council asking permission to close two alleys. One alley runs east-west having lot 08-07-16-001-016.000.010 and lot 08-07-16-001-017.000.010 on the northern boundary and lot numbers 08-07-16-001-019.000.010 and 08-07-16-001-020.000.010 on the southern boundary. There is also a north-south ally between lots 08-07-16-001.019.000.010 and 08-07-16-001-020.00.010 which was also on the closure request (map of properties is attached and included as part of the official minutes). Mr. Manahan stated Mr. Burwell has been maintaining the property and is requesting closure so he can obtain a building permit for a small building for his family's personal use. Before moving forward with the advertizing, positing of notice, and preparing the petition, permission was requested to close the alleys. Jerry Snavelly stated the town does not have any utilities running through the areas but the telephone company may and they should be asked. Following discussion, Mr. Schock made the motion to close the two alleys, seconded by Mr. Robison. Mr. Manahan will move forward with the closure process.

Department Reports:

Street Department Report:

1. ISI will return on April 28th to finish the "dirt work" resulting from the storm water project.
2. The Carroll County Sheriff's Department and City of Delphi Police have spoken with Mr. Snavelly about replacing the storage building at the shooting range. Once the current building is removed, Mr. Snavelly will use old street grindings to create a better base for the new building. He will also smooth out the parking area; the extra dirt will be used to build up the bank. When asked, Mr. Snavelly verified he is being asked before any police officers use the range.
3. The dump truck was taken in for repairs about three weeks ago and should be returned any day. The additional work requested on the fender and hitch was included.
4. There is a discrepancy with Central Paving on the Monroe Street paving. Central Paving expected to pave from SR 218 north to the end of the street but the bid and contract is paving from SR 75, up the hill and then to the end of Monroe Street. Mr. Robison stated Bid A clearly stated the work that was involved.
5. The alleys that need graded will be determined once the weather improves; Mr. Snavelly will prepare a map of the work sites. Some stone will be taken for the drive leading to the lift station on east Main Street.
6. An estimate has not yet arrived from Peerless Midwest for the work on the water treatment plant and wells.
7. The question was asked if parking lines were to be added at the library and cafe since the paving is completed.

Marshal Report:

Marshal Jill Hammond read her report and provided a copy for the Council. Spring clean-up went well and people seem to have responded to her nuisance violation letters. There are a couple of TVs still at the curb but these are banned at the landfill and will be taken to the transfer station.

Clerk-Treasurer Report:

1. *Resolution 2019-E Authorization for the Establishment of Banking Account with 1st Farmers Bank* was passed by a motion from Mr. Robison, second from Mr. Schock.
2. *Resolution 2019-F Resolution Fire Protection Contract Approved* was adopted by a motion from Mr. Robison, seconded by Mr. Schock. This is a three year contract for fire protection with new yearly contract costs and transfers ownership of the Pierce Pumper Truck from the Town to Jackson Township. The fire protection contract was signed and Mr. Deel also signed the title of the truck noting the mileage to be 8,696.
3. *Resolution 2019-G Establishing a Debt Policy* was approved by a motion from Mr. Robison, seconded by Mr. Schock. This policy will be added to the Internal Controls Binder.
4. The State Board of Accounts audit is underway for the years 2015-2018. An exit interview is planned for June 4th at 2:00. One of the Council Members will need to be present. The Clerk-Treasurer stated there will probably be a finding on the receipt of money in the fund area due to limited office staff - there is only one full time person in the office.
5. Due to a State Board of Accounts called conference, the June Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 17th at 7:00 at the Library.
6. The proposed generator maintenance contracts with BSI were tabled.

Old Business:

Following discussion, the bid to paint the floor and walls of the Community Building in the amount of \$7,000 from Wesly Wright was approved by a motion from Mr. Schock, seconded by Mr. Robison.

The planned meeting with two Town EDC representative was not held due to a lack of a quorum. Mr. Deel did have a conversation with Connie Cripe and Julia Leahy who expressed their concern that there has been no mention of renewing the contract which will expire on June 8th. Another Town representative needs to be appointed to fill the town's open seat.

Mr. Deel will follow up on the exterior Community Building camera.

The Community and Urban forestry Grant being considered requires a certified arborist to do a tree inventory. Mr. Schock will ask if Purdue has someone who qualifies.

Mr. Deel will report back on the painting at the med center.

Three trees will be removed: 119 N Water Street; 283 E Washington Street; and 283 N Ohio Street. The cost of \$1,900 was approved by a motion from Mr. Schock, seconded by Mr. Robison.

New Business:

The Council will prepare a list of questions for the Utility Assistant job interviews. To date, three or four applications have been returned. Mr. Schock asked to have the applications scanned and emailed to the Members. Mr. Snively volunteered to call Indiana Rural Alliance for information on an apprenticeship program. No date was set to contact the applicants and start interviewing but it was determined that the last applications will be accepted at noon on May 15th.

ABC Concrete and Construction submitted an estimate of \$5,022 to replace 174 feet of sidewalk along North Water Street. There was uncertainty if he quoted the east or west side of the street. If the estimate is for the west side, as requested, the quote will be accepted by a motion from Mr. Schock.

Miscellaneous:

1. Town Council and Clerk-Treasurer's office positions will be up for election in November. The last day to file to be on the ballot is noon on August 1st at the clerk's office at the court house. Interested citizens were encouraged to learn more about the positions and file.
2. The Annual Youth Day Parade is planned for June 8th at 7:00. This year's theme is "Camden Proud". The Town truck will be in the parade.
3. Town wide garage sales will be July 6th.
4. Mr. Deel announced the Camden Masonic Lodge was awarded "Best Tractor Pull Award" from the Organization.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00.

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Brent Deel, President

Mark Schock

ATTEST:

P. A. Casserly
Clerk-Treasurer

Andrew Robison