CAMDEN TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES TOWN OF CAMDEN INDIANA OCTOBER 13, 2021

The Camden Town Council met in a legally advertised meeting on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Camden Library Meeting Room.

Those present were, Vice President: Mark Schock, Member Andrew Robinson, Clerk Treasurer Jeff Sieber, Attorney Anne Briggs, Utility Superintendent Jerry Snavely, Asst. Utility Superintendent Codey Walker, Marshal Jill Hammond, and 7 guests.

A Public Hearing to adopt the 2022 Budget was opened by VP Schock. He asked if there were any questions from the community regarding the submitted budget, and there being none, entertained a motion to approve the budget as submitted as well as the 2022 Salary Ordinance. Mr. Robison, gave the second. A motion to adjourn the Public Meeting was made by Mr. Robison, seconded by Mr. Schock. Public Hearing was then closed by Mr. Schock.

Mr. Schock then lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance after opening the regular meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Robison and a second from Mr. Schock to approve the minutes of the September meeting as well as all Dockets and reports submitted.

Utility Superintendant Snavely reported that he spoke with the State Highway Dept regarding the catch basin located near the Baptist Church on Main Street. They informed him that they plan to be here some time next week to look into and fix the basin. Snavely said that more inspection needs done to the drain at the bottom of the hill to see where it actually drains to. He will ask the State to look into that while they are here.

Snavely reported that 10 Lead and Copper samples were sent in for testing and all came back in good rating.

Leaf pick up will begin sometime with the third week of October depending on the leaf loss at that time.

Superintendant Snavely is still out on medical leave with no set time for return yet. He is currently on Short Term Disability, coming in to keep up with his emails and reports as needed.

Asst. Superintendent, Walker also gave a report as to what he had been doing and accomplishing the last month. Report attached.

Marshal Jill Hammond gave the council her monthly report as attached.

Clerk Treasurer, Jeff Sieber stated that he and Deputy Clerk Camilla Downing had sat thru a presentation last week on a new credit card company that offers more payment options than what is currently used. The new company will also offer EFT and ACH payment options. Sieber is to meet with the company again and decide if this is a route to take. The Town will have candy in front of the Town Office during Trick or Treat hours on Saturday, October 30, from 6-8PM.

Attorney Briggs had finalized an Exemption to Ordinance 2020-4 regarding the allowance of up to 3 horses on the Berger property at the edge of town. She asked the council if they had any further questions regarding the Exemption, and with there being none she stated that the Town was ok to allow it. Mr. Robinson stated that he had looked into a fencing issue that was resolved, so therefore made a motion to accept the exemption, seconded by Mr. Schock.

Ken Smith stated that he had received information and had passed it on the Clerk regarding a state program that can assist with water and sewage bills for low income families. This is something that the Town may want to look in to. He also stated that the Town had received 75% of the Water Study Planning Grant that was applied for. He had already sent a request to see about getting the rest of what was requested. He has not heard back on that yet. He also mentioned that more grants for Water and Sewage will become available after the first of year.

Prices are being received from Hometown Graphic Shirts in Delphi for Utility guys shirts and pants. Samples of the available shirts will be available for the employees to see in the near future.

Mr. Schock wanted to publicly thank Ken Smith for the 25 year Luncheon he had supplied to the community in September. He offered his and the Town's gratitude to Ken for all he has done for Camden and looks forward to many more years.

Next meeting will be held November 10, 2021.

Mr. Robison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schock to adjourn at 7:40P.M.